



# OGLE COUNTY 4-H CLUB OF THE YEAR 2025-2026

- All points will be awarded for events and activities from September 1, 2025, to August 31, 2026.
- To qualify, clubs must submit the "Ogle County 4-H Club Record Form" by September 15, 2026.
- Note: Clubs that win first place are NOT eligible for a top 3 place the following two years.



**4-H FEDERATION:** If at least one club member attends the monthly Federation meeting representing your club, your club will receive 10 points per meeting.

**4-H LEADERS MEETINGS:** If at least one leader attends the Leader's meetings, your club will receive 15 points per meeting.

**4-H OFFICER TRAINING:** If your club's officers participated in the 4-H Officer Training, you will receive 25 points per attending officer. Club officers eligible for points will be president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, recreation, and reporter. Limit: one individual per office will receive points!

**OGLE COUNTY 4-H FUNDRAISER:** Clubs who participate in fundraiser sales will be awarded points in decreasing values based on profits generated and donations made in each of two categories: large and small clubs. Club sizes will be determined after the April 15 enrollment deadline. The top club will receive 200 points then the point increment will decrease by 10 for each of the following clubs in the two categories.

**DAY OF DABBLING:** If more than 50% of your total membership participates at Day of Dabbling, you will receive 50 points. If less than 50% of your total membership (but at least 1 member) participates at Day of Dabbling, you will receive 25 points. Your club's eligibility will be based on individuals who are registered **and** attend the event.

**PENNY CARNIVAL BOOTH:** If your club participated in the 4-H Penny Carnival by preparing and running a booth, it will receive 50 points.

**CLOVERBUD PARTY:** If 1-5 Cloverbud members participate in the Cloverbud Party, your club will receive 25 points. If 6 or more members participate, your club will receive 50 points. Your club's eligibility will be based on individuals who are registered **and** attend the event.

**COUNTY EVENTS:** If at least one club member attends an Ogle County 4-H event, your club will receive 10 points. This can include: Kick Off Party, Federation-sponsored events, or others that may be scheduled for the year and assigned points at Ogle County 4-H Federation discretion.

**AMBASSADOR SPONSORED COUNTY EVENTS:** Your club will be awarded 15 points for each member who attends a 4-H Ambassador sponsored event. This can include: Discover 4-H Day, Prepare For Fair, Family Skating Party, or others that may be scheduled for the year.

**FAIR:** If 100% of your total membership exhibits at the 4-H Fair, you will receive 125 points. If 99 – 90% of your total membership exhibits at the 4-H Fair, you will receive 100 points. If 89 – 80% of your total membership exhibits at the 4-H Fair, you will receive 75 points. If 79 – 70% of your total membership exhibits at the 4-H Fair, you will receive 50 points. If 69 – 60% of your total membership exhibits at the 4-H Fair, you will receive 25 points.

**BOWLING:** If your club participated in this year's Bowling Tournament, your club will receive 50 points.

**CONFERENCES:** Your club will be awarded 10 points for each member who attends a 4-H conference. This can include: Summer Illini Academies, 4-H Connections, Speaking for Illinois 4-H, The Great 4-H Debate, Citizen Washington Focus, or others that may be scheduled for the year.

**4-H RECORDS:** Clubs with the largest percentage of county project honor winners will be awarded points in decreasing values based on total membership in each of two categories: large and small clubs. Club sizes will be determined after the April 15 enrollment deadline. The top club will receive 150 points then the point increment will decrease by 10 for each of the following clubs in the two categories.

**CLUB S.E.T. PROGRAMMING:** If your club conducts **2 or more** S.E.T. (Science, Engineering, and Technology) programs, lessons, or events, and completes the club S.E.T. programming summary on the Ogle County Club Report Form, it will receive 10 points for each S.E.T. program for a total of 20 points.

**CLUB PROGRAMMING:** If your club goes on a club trip, your club will receive 15 points. If your club has a guest speaker or special program, it will receive 10 points per presentation. Information must be completed on the Ogle Club Report Form to receive points.

**COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS PROGRAM:** If your club conducts 1 - 2 programs or has guest speakers that relate to College and Career Readiness, and completes the club College Career Readiness programming summary on the Ogle County Club Report Form, it will receive 50 points.

**INTERCULTURAL PROGRAM:** If your club conducts 1 - 2 programs or has guest speakers that relate to Intercultural, and completes the club Intercultural programming summary on the Ogle County Club Report Form, it will receive 50 points.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Your club should plan and implement a community service project. This project should be listed on the Summary of Club's Activities at the end of the year. Your club will earn 50 points.

**COUNTY BOARD CORRESPONDENCE:** Your club will be awarded 10 points for each correspondence sent to your assigned county board member. (A maximum of 40 points will only be awarded!) A copy **MUST** be submitted to the Extension Office for you to receive credit.

**ENROLLMENT GOAL:** For every **NEW** member your club enrolls, you will be awarded 5 points for each **NEW** member. Members who transfer clubs, or were cloverbuds and become 4-H members will **NOT** count towards your sustainability goal.

**FROM THE OGLE COUNTY 4-H CLUB RECORD FORM:** 25 points will be given to each club that:

1. 25 points will be given to each club that establishes goals for the 4-H year (Examples: *All members will attend 75% of meetings, participate in 80% of the county activities, go on at least one club tour*).
2. 25 points will be given to each club that submits a club calendar containing program information.
3. 25 points will be given to each club that qualifies as an Ogle County 4-H Honor Club by meeting 8 of the 11 Standards of Excellence.

*More Club of the Year activities may be added pending Federation approval. 4-H leaders will be contacted if this occurs.*

