



Coles County 4-H

2023-2024 RECORD BOOK

NAME

4-H CLUB

AGE

ADDRESS



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Introduction

Welcome to the Coles County 4-H member record!

This system is meant to work in tandem with the current state 4-H awards and recognition system while still accomplishing the goals outlined below.

We hope that you will take time to fill out record books!

Goal:

Work on the record book during the current 4-H year.

What are record books?

The goal of record books is fourfold: 1) it is meant to be an accurate record of a member's 4-H 'career' 2) lead youth on the path to achieving bigger and better state awards & scholarships, 3) help members gain experience for their future, AND 4) help assist older members in completing job, college, and award applications.

Record books help us recognize 4-H'ers and their accomplishments while preparing them for their future. *Records are extremely useful for future college, scholarship, and career applications.*

What does the Coles County Member Record consist of?

This record book is ONE part of the two-part Coles County member records. The records consist of the record "book" (which includes 4 different dimensions) and the state 4-H My Experience record. **There is NO rule about how complete your record book needs to be - completeness will result in awards BUT, we encourage all to submit record books and document the achievements you would like to.**

Record Book Dimensions

The following outline shows the dimensions of the record book. These dimensions align with the state dimensions and goals.

- 1. Club Attendance** – Attending and participation in club meetings.
- 2. Participation** – Participation in individual, club, county, state, national, and international events. This dimension recognizes participation.
- 3. Community Service** – The participation in, planning of, and execution of community services projects. This dimension recognizes those who plan and implement projects AND those who participate.
- 4. Leadership** – This dimension recognizes those who step up and lead.
- 5. Project Learning** – This dimension recognizes projects and the mastery that individuals gain from 4-H.

INFO SHEET & CERTIFICATION

Your member record will consist of the following parts:

This Record Book

Illinois My Experience Award Application Record

<https://go.illinois.edu/My4HExperience>

Member Certification

I personally have prepared this application and certify that it accurately and truthfully represents my work.

Member Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Certification

I personally have reviewed this application and certify that it accurately and truthfully reflects the member's work.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Leader Certification

I personally have reviewed this application and certify that it accurately and truthfully reflects the member's work.

4-H Leader Signature: _____

Date: _____

1. Club Attendance

My two most important Club Attendance experiences are:

Being able to highlight the achievements you are most proud of is a skill that will be useful to you in scholarships, resumes, interviews, and much more! Here, we are asking you to highlight your two most important accomplishments and why. *E.g. "I attended 3 out of 7 meetings."*

1.	2.
Please describe:	Please describe:

My GOALS for Club Participation are:

Setting goals is important for your future career and everyday life! Please use the space below to set your goals. *If this is your first year completing record books, you do not need to complete the "2021-2022" portion.* *E.g. "I want to attend 7 out of 10 meetings this year."*

YOUR GOAL IN 2022-2023: COPY your goal from last year's record book <hr/>	YOUR GOAL IN 2023-2024: <hr/>
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<p>2022-2023 GOAL CONTINUED DID YOU ACHIEVE THIS GOAL? "No" is an okay answer! If you did NOT achieve this goal, explain why & if you will try again!</p>	<p>2023- 2024 GOAL CONTINUED WHAT STEPS WILL YOU TAKE TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL?</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p> <p>3.</p> <p>4.</p>
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My Club Participation RESUME

List the dates club meetings were held. Use a check mark to indicate if you attended the meeting.
 E.g. 8/12/22 then put a ✓ in the box below if you attended the meeting.

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2. 4-H Participation

My two most important 4-H Participation experiences are:

Being able to highlight the achievements you are most proud of is a skill that will be useful to you in scholarships, resumes, interviews, and much more! Here, we are asking you to highlight your two most important participation accomplishments and why. *E.g. "I attended 3 workshops this year." or "I helped at the 4-H BBQ."*

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Please describe:	Please describe:

My GOALS for 4-H Participation are:

Setting goals is important for your future career and everyday life! Please use the space below to set your goals. *If this is your first year completing record books, you do not need to complete the "2021-2022" portion.* *E.G. "I want to help serve the green beans next year at the 4-H BBQ." Or "I would like to help clean up after club meetings." Or "I want to help a new 4-H member next year."*

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My 4-H Participation RESUME

Here's your chance! List all of the things you have participated in! You may enter as much or as little details as you would like in the **details** column. Just remember that the more details there are, the more YOU will remember what you did! *E.G. Achievement program, Workshops, Camps, 4-H Week Activity, Pork Chop BBQ, 4-H Officer, or Completed 4-H Project.*

BE SURE TO CLASSIFY THEM ACCORDING TO: (L) Club (C) County (M) Multi-County (S) State (N) National (IN) International

EXPERIENCE	DETAILS (Include Date)	L	C	M	S	N	IN

3. Community Service

My two most important Community Service experiences are:

Being able to highlight the achievements you are most proud of is a skill that will be useful to you in scholarships, resumes, interviews, and much more! Here, we are asking you to highlight your two most important accomplishments and why. *E.G. "I helped with the Food Basket for Homeless Shelter." I helped put together Birthday in a box for food pantry...*

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<p>Please describe:</p>	<p>Please describe:</p>

My GOALS for Community Service are:

Setting goals is important for your future career and everyday life! Please use the space below to set your goals. *If this is your first year completing record books, you do not need to complete the "2021-2022" portion.* *E.G. "Next year I want to serve on the Homeless Shelter committee."*

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My Community Service RESUME

Here's your chance! List all of the Community Service projects you've been involved in! You may enter as much or as little details as you would like in the **details** column. Just remember that the more details there are, the more YOU will remember what you did! *E.G. Tree Planting or helped pack food basket for Homeless Shelter... E.G. of (NR) - "help with Relay for Life with my school".*

BE SURE TO CLASSIFY THEM ACCORDING TO: (L) Club (C) County (M) Multi-County (S) State (N) National (IN) International (NR) Not 4-H Related

EXPERIENCE	DETAILS <small>(Include Date)</small>	L	C	M	S	N	IN	NR

4. Leadership

My two most important Leadership experiences are:

Being able to highlight the achievements you are most proud of is a skill that will be useful to you in scholarships, resumes, interviews, and much more! Here, we are asking you to highlight your two most important accomplishments and why. *E.G. "I serve as the Vice President in 2021-2022."*

1.	2.
Please describe:	Please describe:

My GOALS for Leadership are:

Setting goals is important for your future career and everyday life! Please use the space below to set your goals. *If this is your first year completing record books, you do not need to complete the "2021-2022" portion.* *E.G. "I would like to serve as the President."*

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My Leadership RESUME

Here's your chance! List all of the leadership projects and positions you have held and been involved in! You may enter as much or as little details as you would like in the **details** column. Just remember that the more details there are, the more YOU will remember what you did! *E.G. Committee Chair of Homeless Shelter Food Baskets- Check CH. Or served on Coles County Foundation- Check C. Or Federation- Check F*

BE SURE TO CLASSIFY THEM ACCORDING TO: (L) Club (C) County (M) Multi-County (S) State (N) National (F) Federation (O) Officer (CH) Committee Chair (CM) Committee Member

EXPERIENCE	DETAILS <small>(Include Date)</small>	L	C	M	S	N	F	O	CH	CM

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5. Project Learning/Mastery

My two most important Project Learning experiences are:

Being able to highlight the achievements you are most proud of is a skill that will be useful to you in scholarships, resumes, interviews, and much more! Here, we are asking you to highlight your two most important accomplishments and why. *E.G. "I successfully built a beehive!"*

1.	2.
<p>Please describe:</p>	<p>Please describe:</p>

My GOALS for Project Learning are:

Setting goals is important for your future career and everyday life! Please use the space below to set your goals. *Since this is the first year of this new record book system, you do not need to complete the 2021-2022 portion.* *E.G. "I want to a new 4-H project ...Beekeeping"*

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My Project Learning RESUME

Here's your chance! List all of the projects and project learning experiences you've been involved in! You may enter as much or as little details as you would like in the **details** column. Just remember that the more details there are, the more YOU will remember what you did! E.G. Beekeeping 1, Aerospace 2, Woodworking 2...

NOTE: Only mark (P) 4-H Project if you completed the project.

BE SURE TO CLASSIFY THEM ACCORDING TO: (P) 4-H Project **(TD)** Talk/Demonstration **(SF)** State Fair

EXPERIENCE	DETAILS	P	TD	SF

NEXT STEP:

Completing your State record

The last step in your record book journey! Complete your State 4-H **My Experience Award Application**. To complete this record, simply check the boxes of what you have accomplished and put them in the right areas. Provided you took accurate records, this process should be fairly quick!

Access the most recent My 4-H Experience Award at:
<https://go.illinois.edu/My4HExperience>

This record will put you in the running for state awards and is part of the Coles County Record Book.

Questions

Do you have questions? Are you interested in how you can apply this information to future applications? Do you need help filling out a section?

We are here to support you!

Contact us:

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Schedule a Meeting:

Would you like to meet face to face or by phone? We would love to assist you! Email Jessica or call the Extension Office at 217-345-7034



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