



Coles County 4-H

List, Links, and Deadlines for Records, Awards, & Scholarships

Member Records

DEADLINE	AWARD	Ages	DETAILS
September 16	My 4-H Member Record	8-18	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>4-H Member Record</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation Member – 50-100 points • Honor Member - 101-180 points • Outstanding member- 181 or more points <p>Note: This record book follows the 4-H Experience Award Applications. Members are encouraged to complete both.</p> <p>Note: All first-year members who complete this will receive a First Year in 4-H Award.</p>
September 16	4-H Livestock Record	8-18	<p>This is to be completed by members enrolled in the beef, goats, horse/pony, poultry, rabbits, sheep, or swine project. Dogs and Cats are put under Other.</p> <p>Livestock Records</p>
September 16	Project Discovery Report	8-18	<p>To be completed by members who participated in the 4-H General Projects Show or Home and Family Show. Please submit one Project Discovery Report for each project area exhibited.</p>

			Project Discovery Report
Helpful Resources	Information		Member Record Code List

Club Records

DEADLINE	AWARD	Ages	DETAILS
September 16	Club Treasurer Books	Secretary	All Club activities and information must be recorded. Secretary's Book
September 16	Club Secretary Books	Treasurer	NOTE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All Club Bank Statements are due with the Treasurer's book. - Make sure that the Annual Financial Statement is completed in its entirety. Including the signatures of the treasurer, leader, and three fiscal review committee members. Treasurer's Book Illinois 4-H Club Annual Financial Statement <i>*The Annual Financial Statement needs to be filled out by every club.</i>
September 16	Club Scrapbook	Club	A scrapbook documenting the club's 4-H experience throughout the year.

State Awards & Scholarships

DEADLINE	AWARD	Info	DETAILS
September 20	4-H Club Award	Club	<p>4-H Club Recognition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See EXCEL- Club Award & Overview of Club Recognition at the bottom of the page. <p>Tutorial Video</p>
September 12	4-H Experience Award for Individuals	Open to 4-H Members 8-18	<p>The Experience Award offers recognition for members who participate in activities and events. There are always lots of activities you can do as a 4-H member, ranging from club to national events.</p> <p>4-H Experience Award Applications Bottom of the page)</p> <p>See other Resources at the bottom of the web link.</p>
September 1	Electricity Award	8-18	<p>This is for any member who exhibited an electricity project at the county show. NOTE: 4-H members can only win this award once in a lifetime. (Previous winners are ineligible for this award)</p> <p>Information</p>

November 1	Illinois 4-H Scholarship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal Science • Civic Engagement/Global Living • Creative Performing Arts & Communication • Gardening, Agriculture & Food Access • Healthy Living/Nutrition • Leadership • Natural Resources & Environmental Science • Personal Growth • STEM/Robotics 	15-19 as of 9/1/2025	<p>Electronic Submission by 4-H member Illinois 4-H Scholarship Application</p> <p>Recommendation Form</p> <p>Tutorial Video</p>
November 1	Sustaining the Future Award	17 years of age by September 1, 2025 - cannot have reached 19th birthday by September 1, 2025	<p>Electronic Submission by 4-H member The purpose of this award is to recognize 4-H members who have exemplified outstanding leadership within the agricultural industry and a desire to remain engaged. Relevant topic areas within agriculture include but are not limited to: agribusiness, aquaculture, crop production, renewable energy, environment, food science, food systems, greenhouses, hydroponics, landscape architecture, livestock, plant science, processing & retailing, soil science, urban agriculture, urban planning.</p> <p>Application Promo</p>

*Note: Did you graduate out of 4-H this year? Contact the Extension Office and join [4-H Alumni!](#)

