

4-H Membership Agreement (4-H Contract)

This agreement...

1. Is designed for 4-H members who were at least 8 years old by September 1 of the current 4-H year.
2. It is intended to assist youth whose academic/extra-curricular schedules or other special circumstances prevent them from participating fully in club activities and meetings.
3. For 4-H'ers continuing membership from the previous year, this contract must be established and on file in the Extension office by **December 15** of the current 4-H year.
4. For new 4-H enrollees, this contract must be established and on file in the Extension office by April 15 of the current 4-H year.
5. Will end on or before July 1 of the current 4-H year.
6. Should represent a compromise between leaders and members in terms of what members will need to do at the club and/or county levels to receive credit as "finishing" club members during the current 4-H year. (September 1 – July 1)
7. Should include the terms and consequences that reflect the unique needs of the member and club.
8. Must be approved by the Extension office. Completed agreements should be sent to the office as soon as they are drawn up and approved by the member and leaders named. One copy will be kept on file at the Extension office. One copy will be sent to the leadership team.
9. Agreements not on file in the Extension office will be null and void.
10. Ending reports will be submitted by leaders on the Fair Ineligibility & Contract Report and turned into the Extension Office.

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Name of individual involved: _____

Club: _____

Beginning Date of Agreement: _____

Ending Date of Agreement: July 1 of the current 4-H year

Reason for Agreement (briefly explain): _____

AGREEMENT:

I, _____ agree to the following terms set forth by the community club leaders of the
_____ 4-H Club to which I belong. :

Terms of Agreement – Please check the agreements you plan to complete. You are required to complete a total of 12 hours of any combination of the following: (1 club meeting = 2 hours)

I will attend a minimum of _____ club meetings before July 1.

I will represent my club at a minimum of _____ 4-H Federation meetings before July 1, and provide a written report of Federation activity during months when I am unable to attend club meetings.

I will provide leadership for the club's _____ Committee, making sure I coordinate with the Extension Office/Club Leader on all responsibility for this county event.

I will do a workshop for my club on _____. This workshop will be a hands-on presentation. I will coordinate the time with my club leader, and have promotional material for my club leader 1 month before my workshop.

I will do a county workshop on _____. This workshop will be open to all 4-H'ers. I will coordinate the time with the Extension Staff, and have promotional materials ready 1 month before the date of the program.

In the event that I fail to comply with the terms set forth, I will not be able to show at the 4-H Fair and I will not be eligible for awards at the club or county level in the fall.

4-H Member Signature: _____

Date: _____

4-H Leader Signature: _____

4-H Leader Signature: _____

Date of Signature: _____

EXTENSION OFFICE APPROVAL: _____

Date of approval: _____

4-H Membership Agreement: SAMPLE (4-H Contract)

Name of individual involved: Ima Clover

Club: Happy Clovers 4-H Club

Beginning Date of Agreement: October 1, 2019

Ending Date of Agreement: July 1 of the current 4-H year

Reason for Agreement (briefly explain): I am involved in the school softball team, and I expect that I will have trouble making 50% of the club's meetings.

AGREEMENT:

I, Ima Clover agree to the following terms set forth by the community club leaders of the Happy Clovers 4-H Club to which I belong. :

Terms of Agreement – Please check the agreements you plan to complete. You are required to complete a total of 12 hours of any combination of the following: (1 club meeting = 2 hours)

- ☒ I will attend a minimum of 3 club meetings before July 1.
- ☒ I will represent my club at a minimum of 2 4-H Federation meetings before July 1, and provide a written report of Federation activity during months when I am unable to attend club meetings.
- ☐ I will provide leadership for the club's (example: Penny Carnival), making sure I coordinate with the Club Leader on all responsibility for this county event.
- ☐ I will do a workshop for my club on (example: the different cuts of pork, showing members how to prepare 3 different recipes with different pork cuts.) This workshop will be a hands-on presentation. I will coordinate the time with my club leader, and have promotional material for my club leader 1 month before my workshop.
- ☒ I will do a county workshop on sewing, to donate wheelchair bags to the nursing home. This workshop will be open to all 4-H'ers. I will coordinate the time with the Extension Staff, and have promotional material ready 1 month before the date of the program.

In the event that I fail to comply with the terms set forth, I will not be able to show at the 2019 4-H Fair and I will not be eligible for awards at the club or county level in the fall.

4-H Member Signature: Ima clover

Date: October 25, 2019

4-H Leader Signature: _____

4-H Leader Signature: _____

Date of Signature: _____

EXTENSION OFFICE APPROVAL: _____

Date of approval: _____