

## 4-H Recognition Program 2023/24 Year Deadlines & Information Mercer County



| DEADLINE              | AWARD  | DETAILS  |
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| September 1, 2024     | Officer Awards <ul> <li>Outstanding Club Secretary</li> <li>Outstanding Club Treasurer</li> <li>Outstanding Club Reporter</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>The Secretary Book can be found <u>here</u>.</li> <li>The Treasures Book can be found <u>here</u>.</li> <li>Outstanding Club Reporter – Is selected by who submits the high number of club report to the 4-H Newsletter.</li> </ul>   |
| September 10,<br>2024 | Illinois 4-H Electricity Achievement<br>Award  | <ul> <li><u>Application</u> Download, complete and submit to office.</li> <li>All 4-H'ers enrolled in the 4-H Electricity Project are eligible to apply.</li> <li>You may not apply for this award if you have already received it.</li> </ul>   |
| September 20,<br>2024 | <b>4-H Club Excel Award</b><br>4-H Clubs which EXCEL in their work<br>can compete for state honors in one (or<br>more) of these 3 areas: Community<br>Service, Leadership, Project Mastery | <ul> <li><u>Application</u> (Scroll down to see the Excel Application at the bottom of the page and click <u>EXCEL-Club Award</u>.)</li> <li><u>Tutorial Video</u> (This is helpful! Please watch!)</li> </ul>   |
| October 1, 2024       | 4-H Club of the Year Award   | <ul> <li><i>Electronic submission</i></li> <li><u>Application</u></li> <li>Write a short description of why your club should be considered for the Club of the Year Award!</li> </ul>  |
| October 1, 2024       | Outstanding Volunteer Awards   | <ul> <li><i>Electronic submission</i></li> <li><u>Application</u></li> <li>Calling all 4-H Members, Families, Alumni, and<br/>Community Members. If you know of an outstanding<br/>volunteer who needs to be recognized please fill out the<br/>application.</li> </ul>  |
| October 1, 2024       | Outstanding 4-H Growth Award   | <ul> <li><i>Electronic submission</i> by Club Leader</li> <li>Club Leaders (ONLY) nominate 4-H members ages 9 -13 as of September 1st. Leaders may nominate as many members as they would like but, final decision will be made by Extension staff if more than one nominee is submitted in the same area. (One winner per project area)</li> <li>Leaders, please fill out this application by clicking here.</li> </ul> |





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| October 1, 2024 | Outstanding First Year<br>4-H Member Award           | <ul> <li><i>Electronic submission</i> by 4-H member</li> <li><u>Application</u></li> <li>One boy and one girl are selected.</li> <li>Applicants must be age 8 to 10 by Sept. 1 in the year they are applying for.</li> <li>Do not include any Cloverbud materials in application</li> </ul>  |
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| October 1, 2024 | Super 4-Her Award                                    | <ul> <li><i>Electronic submission</i> by 4-H member</li> <li><u>Application</u></li> <li>Member must be age 8 to 18 by Sept. 1 in the year they are applying for.</li> <li>Member must be enrolled in 4 different project categories. Example: Visual Arts, Robotics, Cooking, Woodworking</li> <li>Member must exhibit 4 different project categories in 4-H Fair and/or other 4-H events.</li> </ul>   |
| October 1, 2024 | Emanuel Johnson Award                                | <ul> <li><i>Electronic submission</i> by Club Leader</li> <li>Club Leaders (ONLY) nominate individuals who have provided leadership to the club and county.</li> <li>Nominees must be entering their junior or senior year of high school.</li> <li>To nominate, the club Leaders write a short summary of the leadership the nominee provided for the club.</li> <li>Leaders please fill out this application by clicking <u>here.</u></li> </ul> |
| October 1, 2024 | Marvin Kottman Award                                 | <ul> <li><i>Electronic submission</i> by 4-H member</li> <li><u>Application</u></li> <li>Applicants must be entering or completing their senior year of high School.</li> <li>Member must have been enrolled in agricultural projects such as Animal Sciences, Plant &amp; Soil, Crop Sciences, Horticulture or Natural Resources.</li> </ul>  |
| October 1, 2024 | Livestock Record Book Award                          | <ul> <li>Print off your Z-Suite Record Book and submit to the Extension office.</li> <li>Link to Z-Suite: <u>https://4h.zsuite.org/</u></li> <li>If you did another format of Livestock Record Book please submit that to the office as well.</li> </ul>   |
| October 1, 2024 | 4-H Member Recognition for<br>the 2023-2024 4-H year | Club Leaders (ONLY) nominate individuals for member recognition <u>here.</u>   |





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| October 1, 2024  | I Dare You Award   | <ul> <li>Electronic submission by 4-H member</li> <li>Application</li> <li>To apply for this award, you must be a 4-H member, 15 years of age and at least a high school freshman.</li> <li>If selected for this award you have the opportunity to attend National Leadership Summer Conference in Shelby, Michigan. Check out this website to learn more about the conference.</li> </ul> |
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| October 1, 2024  | 4-H Experience Award   | <ul> <li><u>Application (Scroll down to "Illinois 4-H Experience</u><br/>Award for Individuals" under "Application Process"<br/>click "DOWNLOAD".) Complete and submit to<br/>Extension office.</li> <li><u>Tip Sheet (This is helpful! Please read!)</u></li> </ul>   |
| November 1, 2024 | <ul> <li>Illinois 4-H Scholarships <ul> <li>Animal Science</li> <li>Civic Engagement/Global Living</li> <li>Creative Performing Arts &amp; Communication</li> <li>Food Systems</li> <li>Healthy Living/Nutrition</li> <li>Leadership</li> <li>Natural Resources &amp; Environmental Science</li> <li>Personal Growth</li> <li>STEM/Robotics</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul> <li><i>Electronic Submission</i> by 4-H member</li> <li>Application (Scroll down to "Illinois 4-H Scholarship" and find the link to apply under "Application". One application for all areas that apply to you!)</li> <li><u>Recommendation Form (</u>Two of these will be needed. Please feel free to ask Extension staff.)</li> <li><u>Tutorial Video</u></li> </ul>                |
| January 9, 2025  | <b>Sustaining the Future Award</b><br>(Former LCP Award- Rebranded by<br>sponsor- Illinois Farm Bureau)  | <ul> <li><i>Electronic submission</i> by 4-H member</li> <li><u>Application</u> (Scroll down to "Illinois 4-H Sustaining the Future Award" and select the link to apply!)</li> <li>Apply here: <u>https://bit.ly/SustainFutureApp</u></li> </ul>   |
| April 1, 2025    |  | State 4-H Recognition Event <i>(by invitation only)</i>  |





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