



Award Opportunities

**Applications
due 10/1**

Individual Awards

All applications except Cloverbud must be typed

Engage Recognition – Recognizes all members 8-18 of 4-H for their participation 2018-2019 (no application).

Outstanding Member of the Year- presented to the top three outstanding members of Clinton County 4-H that complete the [Outstanding Member of the Year Application](#), by the following age groups:

- Cloverbud Outstanding Member Ages 5-7
- Junior Outstanding Member Age 8-14
- Senior Outstanding Member Age 15-18

Cloverbud Recognition – any Cloverbud that submits a [Cloverbud Award Application](#)

1st Year Member Award – any 1st Year Member 8-18 that submits a completed [Personal Record](#)

5th Year Member Award – any 5th Year Member that submits a completed [Personal Record](#)

4-H Alumni Award-presented to members who have just completed their last year of 4-H, must have been enrolled for five or more years.

Experience Recognition - Recognition of members age 8-18 who are involved in a diverse spectrum of 4-H experiences (club, county, multi-county, state, national, & international levels). Members will submit the [My Illinois 4-H Experience Application](#)

Clinton County Extension Foundation Awards – given to members that participate in Regional and State events such as: 4-H Camp, Illini Summer Academies, Junior Leadership Conf and completes the [Registration Rebate](#) as well as any member that shows a live animal and completes their [livestock records](#).

Project Awards- presented to the top scoring member who submits a [Project Award Application and Member Activities Application](#) in a coordinating project area. Awards will be given in each project area by age groups – 8-11, 12-14, 15-18. Award applications must score at least 25 points to be eligible.

Project Award Categories:

<i>Animal Science & Veterinary Science</i> Animal Science: Cat, Dog, Horse, Dairy, Beef, Swine, Poultry, Rabbits, Small Pets, or Veterinary Science	<i>Engineering & Technology</i> Aerospace, Bicycle, Computer Science, Electricity, Electronics, Geospatial, Robotics, Small Engines, Tractor, Welding, Woodworking.
<i>Community Involvement and Global Awareness</i> Civic Engagement & Intercultural.	<i>Home and Family</i> Child Development, Sewing & Textiles, Fashion Revue, Consumer Education, Interior Design
<i>Natural Resources and Environment</i> Entomology, Forestry, Camping, Geology, Natural Resources, Wildlife, Shooting Sports, Weather	<i>Personal Development</i> Communication, Journalism, Photography, Leadership, Video/Filmmaking, Theater Arts, College and Career Readiness
<i>Plants & Soils</i> Crops, Floriculture, Horticulture, Plant and Soil Sciences, and any related county projects	<i>Visual Arts</i> Chalk/Carbon Pigment, Clay, Glass/Plastic, Food Decorating, Fiber, Heritage Arts, Metal, Nature, Paper, Scrapbooking, Mixed Media, Wood
<i>Food and Nutrition and Health</i> Food and Nutrition, Health.	



Individual Awards (cont)

Illinois Holstein-Friesian Association Recognition Award - Awarded to members who exhibit a dairy animal during the current year 4-H Shows and complete a [livestock record](#) and [personal record](#).

Electricity Achievement Award - Energy Education Council will provide one plaque recognizing one member that completes the [EEC Electricity Award Application](#) for outstanding achievements in electricity.

Specialty Award Areas - Based on sponsorship availability, presented to one member with the highest scoring award application in coordinating project area across all ages:

Sewing & Food Award – sponsored by HCE Board

Rabbit Award – sponsored by David Ratermann

Electricity - sponsored by Brandmeyer Family in honor of Jason Brandmeyer

Club Awards

Club Excel Award (State Award) – clubs who submit the [Illinois 4-H Award Application](#) will be recognized - Due 9/14

Club Progress Award- club that has achieved at least 4 of their [Club Progress Goals](#) will be recognized.

President Award-Requires a [President Award Application](#) completed by club leader.

Secretary Award-Must include [completed secretary book](#) with bylaws, attendance and minutes.

Treasurer Award-Based on [completed treasurer book](#), with completed audit, and correct number of signatures.

Reporter Award-Club reports should be turned in; in a binder or report folder, include all reports written and newspaper clippings, etc.

Clinton County Extension Foundation Awards:

Club Scrapbook-based on completion of a club scrapbook-which at least 2 club members helped to complete. Anyone who enters a scrapbook will receive \$25 for supplies.

National 4-H Week Display – Top 3 Club displays during National 4-H week will be awarded a cash prize.



Award Opportunities Ages 15-18

National Leadership Award—presented to members who have completed at least the 9th grade. The award recognizes youth ages 15–18 years old, who strive to be their best and make a positive difference in their communities and show leadership potential. Requires a [NLA Award Application](#) completed by club leader. Leaders may make multiple nominations.

Following award applications can be found on the State 4-H Website – <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/awards>

Illinois 4-H EXCEL Award Application Areas Age 15-18 as of 9/1/18

- **Community Service** – Focus of your 4-H work in service to/for others. Work should focus what you have done as an individual, not only as a member of your club working on group projects.
- **Communications** – Focus of your 4-H work in the art of communicating with others, including *but not limited to* public presentations, 4-H ambassadors, Speaking for Illinois 4-H, presentations to elected officials, television/radio interviews, etc.
- **Leadership** – Focus on the development of your leadership skills, including offices held, committees served on, programs lead, public presentations on behalf of 4-H, any of the following Teen Leadership roles - teaching, mentoring, planning, promoting, advocating, or advising, etc.
- **Personal Growth** – Focus on your own personal growth through participating in the 4-H program. Could include, but is not limited to growth in skills, demonstrated initiative, self-confidence, interpersonal interactions, poise, etc.
- **Project Mastery** – Focus on your 4-H work in your **primary** project (i.e. Woodworking, Photography, Beef). Only one project should be included in the application and members should not submit an application in more than one “Project Mastery” area. For award purposes, “project” is defined as those areas of enrollment as listed in the Illinois 4-H Clover or as a county-offered project (i.e Llamas, Reading, etc.). A member could include multiple areas of study in their project mastery application if the member was enrolled in multiple areas within a specific project during those 3 years. (i.e. A member could complete their application in Food and Nutrition and include information on Cooking301, Meat and Other Proteins, and Food Preservation OR a Woodworking Project Mastery application could include information from Woodworking Levels I, II and III.)

Winners choose from these top prizes:

- \$1,000 college scholarship
- Trip to National 4-H Congress, valued at \$1,300
- \$1,000 toward the cost of another national educational trip

4-H Key Award Age 16-18 – rewards member exhibiting outstanding leadership, community service, and mentoring during their 4-H involvement

4-H Premier LCP Award Age 17+ by December 1st – rewards members exhibiting outstanding leadership, citizenship, cooperation and professionalism during the past 4-H program year.

4-H Veterinary Science Award Age 15-18 - Members must be currently enrolled in the Veterinary Science project and have been enrolled in the Veterinary Science project at least three years (current year included).