



Yearly 4-H Member Checklist

Illinois 4-H prepares youth to solve Illinois' problems by producing the leaders, innovators, entrepreneurs, stewards, and builders we need. Members involved in 4-H programs are nearly 4 times more likely to contribute to their communities, about 2 times more likely to be civically active, nearly 2 times more likely to participate in science programs during out-of-school time, and 2 times more likely to participate in science programs during out-of-school time make healthier choices.

A 4-H club is a group of five or more 4-H members, they meet monthly and learn new skills, such as speaking in public, working together as a team, and making decisions. Clubs elect officers who serve in special leadership roles to guide their club and help members make decisions. Members work on their projects independently outside of club meeting time. Because they work on projects individually, you can choose from nearly 50 project categories. Below are items to prepare for as you begin the new 4-H year!

- _____ Online enrollment: il.4Honline.com
- _____ Sign risk form (only completed once your entire 4-H career)
- _____ Sign photo waiver (completed during online enrollment)
- _____ Sign code of conduct (completed during online enrollment)
- _____ Pay yearly fee (1st-year member fee waived, \$20/member, \$10/additional sibling up to 4)
- _____ Attend 3 club meetings
- _____ Like the Clark County 4-H Facebook page
- _____ Like your clubs Facebook page
- _____ Give a talk OR demonstration at a meeting
- _____ Members 8th grade – 12th grade are encouraged to join Federation
- _____ Participate in a community service project/activity with your club
- _____ Watch for the weekly Eblast to learn about upcoming workshops/opportunities
- _____ Enroll at fairentry.com the specific project you plan to show (May 15-June 15)
- _____ Show a project at the fair
- _____ Apply for awards- can be found on the Clark County 4-H website

RESOURCES:

Illinois 4-H Website: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/>

Illinois 4-H Project books/Spark Sheets: <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/members/projects>

Clark County 4-H Website: <https://extension.illinois.edu/cce>

When you join 4-H, you are joining the largest out-of-school youth program in the country. There are 6 million kids just like you across the country in 4-H, and 200,000 of them live here in Illinois. 4-H is in every county in Illinois. Depending on what your interests are, there's a 4-H program where you belong and feel welcomed!

Thank you.

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