

Expectations for Youth

A member enrolled in his or her first 4-H project has the ability to learn many new things about this interest; share this knowledge with others at club meetings and county contests; and display success through exhibits, fairs, and other events. To help achieve all this, members are expected to do the following:

- Select projects with guidance from a 4-H volunteer and parents or guardians.
- Actively participate in chosen projects.
- Keep a record of project work.
- Attend club meetings, and participate in club activities.
- Abide by the 4-H Code of Conduct.

Members may take on additional roles in the 4-H program such as club officer, junior leader, or teen fair superintendent. As their involvement in the club or county program grows, so does their level of learning and confidence.

Extension Support

4-H is designed to provide a positive experience for members, clubs, and families. The 4-H program has a proven record of providing education, evaluation, recognition, and opportunity to succeed. As a 4-H family, you have access to an extensive support network and many helpful resources.

Your 4-H club leader is prepared to help members with project work and notify them of activities related to their project. **Families of other members** in the club are great resources for new 4-H families.

4-H staff, who work at local Extension offices, can answer many questions and provide good suggestions for helping with projects. The staff member in charge of the 4-H program is available to provide support, education, and help with problem solving.

Your local Extension office provides services that allow 4-H activities to occur. Local 4-H staff recruit and train volunteers, distribute 4-H project materials, facilitate events, teach educational programs and trainings, and work with the county 4-H leaders association.

Project materials, videos, and teaching aids are available from your local Extension office and online. Each office, working with Oregon State University, can provide materials for a project the state supports. Local 4-H staff and volunteers create materials for county-only projects and activities.

Websites for local Extension offices and OSU offer additional information. Visit the Oregon 4-H website (<http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/>) to become better informed and enjoy what 4-H and the OSU Extension Service have to offer.

**For more information on the 4-H program,
see *Facts About 4-H* (4-H 0244L).**

**And visit the Oregon 4-H website:
<http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/>**

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