



4-H Members are encouraged to apply for a Project Award to be presented this fall at the 4-H Awards and Recognition Celebration. If you feel you have done a good job in one of the ten award categories, please complete a Junior Division Application (gr. 6 & 7) or submit 4-H Cover Letter, Resume, Appropriate Discussion Supplement and Sealed Recommendation Forms (gr. 8 and up). The guidelines for applications are:

1. There are ten categories: Agriculture; Crops and Soils; Arts; Communication Arts; Hobby Animals; Home Economics; Mechanical Science; Natural Sciences; Leadership; Overall Achievement. See the page "4-H Project Awards Category List" to help determine which Project Award category applies to you.
2. The **maximum** number of Project Award categories in which a member can apply is **three**. Complete **one complete portfolio** for each category (not project) chosen. A maximum of **two** awards will be given per person.
3. Applicants will be considered in three separate divisions based on the grade members completed during the past school year. Divisions include: Junior Division 6th – 7th Grades; Intermediate 8th – 9th Grades; Senior 10th Grade and up

Junior Project Awards

- a. 4-H members in grades 6 & 7 are asked to complete the enclosed Junior Division Project Award Application. No references are required. Return the Application by **October 1st**.

Intermediate and Senior Project Awards

- b. There is no longer a "form" to complete. The member's cover letter should describe what you are sending and why you are sending it.
 - c. Return completed portfolios **by October 1st**. Application forms dropped off or postmarked later than that date will **not** be considered for an award this 4-H year.
4. Project Award **interviews** are a requirement for all divisions and will be held **October 21st**. Interview schedules will be sent out. Make every attempt to be present for the interviews. If you know when you apply, that you will not be able to attend the interview, please indicate this in your cover letter or application and state your reason for the absence. Unanticipated absences should be called in to the UW-Extension Office as soon as possible. Unexplained absences are counted against you.
 5. **Members applying for Intermediate and Senior Project Award Categories need to have a Project Leader complete a Reference Form. Intermediate and Senior Members applying for Leadership or Overall Achievement need to have a General Leader complete a Reference.** Please make sure to allow enough time for leaders to read your application and complete the form so it can be turned in on time.
 6. Only information pertaining to the category you are applying for should be included in the letter and through the supplement. 4-H Resume's may look identical from one application to the next.
 7. Recipients will receive a wooden display plaque the first year of receiving a Project Award and dated Project Award medallions to mount on the plaque. Medallions will be awarded subsequent years.
 8. *** Please do not submit materials in report covers or binders. These are removed when copies are made and are not seen by the reviewers at all. ***

4-H Project Awards- Category List

1. Agriculture

Beef – Dept. 2
Dairy – Dept. 1
Goats – Dept. 5
Sheep – Dept. 4
Swine – Dept. 4

2. Crops & Soils

Field Crops – Dept. 14
Flowers – Dept. 15
Houseplants – Dept. 15
Plant Crafts – Dept. 15
Vegetables – Dept. 14

3. Arts

Scrapbooking – Dept. 18
Arts & Crafts – Dept. 18
Blacksmith – Dept. 18
Drawing & Painting – Dept. 18
Ceramics – Dept. 18
Creative Stitchery – Dept. 18
Origami – Dept. 18

4. Communication Arts

Photography – Dept. 20
Theatre Arts – Dept. 18
Clowning – Dept. 18
Puppetry – Dept. 18
Juggling – Dept. 18
Yo-yo –
Music – Dept. 18
Computers – Dept. 18
Creative Writing – Dept. 18
Genealogy – Dept. 33
Communications – Dept. 33
(Speaking & Demonstrations)

Note: Self Determined must be entered under the appropriate category. Any project not listed should be entered under the appropriate category.

5. Hobby Animals

Cats – Dept. 13
Cavies – Dept. 10
Dogs – Dept. 9
Horses – Dept. 6
Llamas – Dept. 11
Poultry – Dept. 7
Rabbits – Dept. 8
Veterinary Science – Dept. 10

6. Home Economics

Clothing – Dept. 26
Horse & Riding Attire – Dept. 26
Food & Nutrition – Dept. 25
Cake Decorating – Dept. 25
Knit & Crochet – Dept. 27
Home Environment – Dept. 28
Child Development – Dept. 29

7. Mechanical Science

Aerospace – Dept. 24
Rocketry – Dept. 24
Radio Controlled Planes – Dept. 24
Bicycle – Dept. 24
Electricity – Dept. 24
Lego – Dept. 24
Small Engines – Dept. 24
Scale Models – Dept. 24
Tractors – Dept. 24
Woodworking – Dept. 22

8. Natural Science

Birds – Dept. 16
Fishing – Dept. 16
Forestry – Dept. 16
Insects – Dept. 16
Nature space – Dept. 16
Shooting Sports – Dept. 16
Wildflowers – Dept. 16
Backpacking – Dept. 16

9. Leadership

10. Overall Achievement



4-H Project Award- Junior Application



By following a template, Junior (Grades 6 & 7) applicants know exactly what is being asked of them and can get a better understanding of what to put on resumes as they continue to gain life experience. The first two pages are information that should be fairly easy to fill in. The following pages consist of short-answer questions that applicants must fill out in sentence form. The short-answer questions are meant for applicants to start thinking about the bigger picture and how the activities they participate in now, will help them in the future.

It's important for youth to understand the reasoning behind creating a resume and continuing to update it. It should be understood that after each year their resume should change, based on personal and academic growth and experiences.

We hope you find this tool helpful and easy to use!

4-H Project Award - Junior Division Application

Must be in Grades 6-7
Application Due on or before October 1st

Personal Information:

Name: _____

4-H Age (As of January 1): _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

4-H Project Award Category:

Agriculture

Crops & Soils

Arts

Communication Arts

Hobby Animals

Home Economics

Mechanical Science

Natural Sciences

Leadership

Overall Achievement

Education:

School: _____

Grade completed last year: _____

4-H Involvement:

4-H Club: _____

County: _____ Number of Years in 4-H: _____

4-H Projects: Please select the 4 projects that are a priority for you.

Tip: Put the most recent project first so it's easier to follow when transferring the information to an official resume.

Name of Project: _____

Number of Years: _____

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Number of Years: _____

Other Activities & Interests: Please select your top six priorities.

Tip: Include 4-H, sports, programs outside of school, and any leadership opportunities (EX: softball traveling team, VP of 4-H club, babysitting, camps, etc.)

*Example Activity: Church Nursery Attendant
Number of Years Involved: 2*

Activity 1: _____
Number of Years Involved: _____

Activity 2: _____
Number of Years Involved: _____

Activity 3: _____
Number of Years Involved: _____

Activity 4: _____
Number of Years Involved: _____

Activity 5: _____
Number of Years Involved: _____

Activity 6: _____
Number of Years Involved: _____

Skills & Lessons Learned:

In the space provided below, please explain your project plan and achievement throughout this 4-H year. What skills did you learn? How have you improved throughout this year?

In the space below, please explain one or two ways you could use the skills and lessons you've learned in the project(s) to help teach and lead others. How do these skills shape you as a leader?

In the space below, please explain what you would like to do differently with your 4-H project next year. Would you continue to expand on your current project(s)? Would you like to try a new project within this area? Why or why not?
