

# Sheboygan County 4-H Intermediate & Senior Level Awards Form



The 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 11 award categories, please complete a Junior Division Application (gr. 6 & 7) or submit Cover Letter, Resume, Appropriate Discussion Supplement, and Sealed Recommendation Forms (gr. 8 and up). The guidelines for applications are:

- There are 11 categories: Agriculture; Plant/Soil Science; Flowers/House Plants; 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.
- 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 1<sup>st</sup>. Application forms dropped off or postmarked later than that date will <u>not</u> be considered for an award this 4-H year.
- 4. Project Award interviews are a requirement and will be held mid-October. 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 an 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
  - Dairy Dept. 1
  - Beef Dept. 2
  - Swine Dept. 3
  - Sheep Dept. 4
  - Goats Dept. 5
- 2. Plant/Soil Science
  - Corn Dept. 14
  - Forage Crops Dept. 14
  - Crops & Grain/Sheaf Dept. 14
  - Vegetables Dept. 14
- 3. Flowers/House Plants
  - Flowers Dept. 15
  - Houseplants Dept. 15
  - Plant Crafts Dept. 15
- 4. Arts
  - Scrapbooking Dept. 18
  - Rubber Stamping Dept. 18
  - Leather Craft Dept. 18
  - Stencil Painting/Block Painting Dept. 18
  - Drawing & Painting Dept. 18
  - Ceramics Dept. 18
  - Creative Stitchery Dept. 18
  - Paper Art Dept. 18
- 5. Communication Arts
  - Celebrate Arts Dept. 18
  - Creative Writing Dept. 18
  - Theatre Arts Dept. 18
  - Clowning/Puppetry/Juggling Dept. 18
  - Music Dept. 18
  - Communications Dept. 18
    - (Speaking & Demonstrations)
  - Photography Dept. 20
  - Computers Dept. 24
  - Self-Determined/Heritage Dept. 33

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

- 6. Hobby Animals
  - Horses Dept. 6
  - Poultry Dept. 7
  - Cavies Dept. 8
  - Rabbits Dept. 8
  - Dogs Dept. 9
  - Veterinary Science Dept. 10
  - Cats Dept. 13
- 7. Home Economics
  - Food & Nutrition Dept. 25
  - Cake Decorating Dept. 25
  - Sewing Dept. 26
  - Horse & Riding Attire Dept. 26
  - Knit & Crochet Dept. 27
  - Home Environment Dept. 28
  - Child Development Dept. 29
- 8. Mechanical Science
  - Woodworking/Blacksmith Dept. 22
  - Electricity Dept. 23
  - Aerospace Dept 24
  - Rocketry Dept. 24
  - Radio Controlled Planes Dept. 24
  - Bicycle Dept. 24
  - Lego Dept. 24
  - Small Engines Dept. 24
  - Scale Models Dept. 24
  - Tractors Dept. 24
  - Robotics Dept. 24
- 9. Natural Science
  - Birds Dept. 16
  - Fishing Dept. 16
  - Insects Dept. 16
  - Shooting Sports Dept. 16
  - Hunting Dept. 16
  - Wildflowers Dept. 16
- 10. Leadership
- 11. Overall Achievement



# 4-H Project Awards- Intermediate & Senior Criteria



### A. Criteria for a Project Award

(Project work for the current 4-H year will be the main consideration.)

- 1. Depth and growth of project. (What did you learn?)
- 2. Contributions made in Project (Projects completed, as well as help given to others in project.)
- 3. Member's ability to plan and complete project work.

### B. Criteria for Leadership

- 1. How have you helped others in your 4-H club and/or at the county level?
- 2. Assisting project or club leaders in planning and/or teaching a project or activity. (Be sure to explain what you did to help or teach.)
- 3. Participation in club and county 4-H youth leadership activities. This includes offices held, as well as other forms of leadership.
- 4. Other Individuals work with younger members.
- 5. Member's growth and independent capability in working with larger numbers of members. (Especially in the senior age group.)
- 6. Being chairman of a committee and/or planning club or county activities. (Be sure to tell what you did as chairman.)

#### C. Criteria for Overall Achievement

- 1. Criteria in the above two areas.
- 2. Community service activities participated in at the club and county level.
- 3. Overall scope and depth of the member's program.

Quality of application and interview will also be considered in all categories. This includes knowledge of the project, appearance of the applicant, and neatness and completeness of the application.

PROJECT AWARDS - WHAT NEEDS TO BE IN BY OCTOBER 1 (Intermediate & Senior Division)
$\square$ Cover letter (Letter must address the specific award or trip that is being requested.)
Resume (One resume for multiple applications, o.k.)
Discussion Question Supplement
<ul> <li>4-H Leadership or Overall Achievement Awards- Please include a 1-page (typed or neatly written in ink) response to the following: "Please describe the qualities of a positive leader and how 4-H has contributed to your leadership abilities. Include reflection on your experiences related to the club, project, county-wide, and other activities. Please describe any personal growth that has occurred through service activities."</li> <li>4-H Project Award Applications- Please include a 1-page (typed or neatly written in ink) response to the following: "Describe your project plan and achievement throughout this 4-H year. Include what you learned and did and how you improved during this 4-H year."</li> </ul>
Completed Recommendation(s) (enclosed.) Ask for these early!
<ul> <li>Leadership &amp; Overall Achievement Awards –The General Leader must complete the recommendation</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>4-H Project Award – Must have the appropriate Project Leader complete the recommendation</li> </ul>

Recommendations should be returned to the applicant in a sealed envelope to be submitted with the
other portfolio contents. It would be helpful to include a pre-addressed envelope with your
recommendation form when giving it to the person writing the recommendation.

If you have any questions regarding resumes or any part of the 4-H Portfolio Process, please get in touch with the Division of Extension Office. If you need any additional help, don't hesitate to call or e-mail with questions or schedule a time to meet.