

Minimum Requirements for Wright County 4-H Awards & Recognition

AWARD	GRADE Completed	REQUIRED CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL CRITERIA
Year Member Award To reward 4-H'ers for being active in their club activities for the year.	All grades	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Complete application form (you do not need to turn in your records for this award) ✓ 4-H'er must attend 75% of your <u>regular club</u> meetings. ✓ Participate in an educational presentation, working exhibit, or Share-the-Fun at the club meeting or at the county level. ✓ Be enrolled in and worked in at least one project area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ This award may be won each year. ❖ Leader & 4-H'er must each sign the application.
Star Award To recognize good 4-H participation.	All grades	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Complete application form ✓ 4-H'er must attend 75% of your <u>regular club</u> meetings. ✓ Participate in an educational presentation, working exhibit, or Share-the-Fun at the club meeting or at the county level. ✓ Be enrolled in and worked in at least one project area. ✓ Exhibited at the Wright County District Junior Fair. ✓ Participated in at least one county event. May include Wright County District Junior Fair participation (not just exhibitor), fair judges helper, host/hostess in 4-H exhibit building, food stand worker. Annual Awards Day program, 4-H Fun Nite, County Communications Judging, Fashion Revue judging, new 4-H member party, officer training. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ This award may be won each year. ❖ Leader & 4-H'er must each sign the application. ❖ List on application the County event attended.
Award of Accomplishment To recognize good 4-H participation at and beyond the county level.	All grades	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Complete application form ✓ 4-H'er must attend 75% of your <u>regular club</u> meetings. ✓ Participate in an educational presentation, working exhibit, or Share-the-Fun at the club meeting or at the county level. ✓ Be enrolled in and worked in at least one project area. ✓ Exhibited at the Wright County District Junior Fair. ✓ Participated in at least one county event. ✓ Participated in at least one county, area, or state camp, trip, or conference. May include: State Fair participation, clothing event, alternate evaluation, livestock exhibitor, working exhibit, educational presentation, Share the Fun. Iowa 4-H & Youth Conference, area recognition interviews, Discover Intermediate trip, on-campus intermediate trip, junior camp counselor, junior camp participant, Clay County Fair participant, or more. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ This award may be won each year. ❖ Leader & 4-H'er must each sign the application. ❖ List on application the County event attended. ❖ List on application the County, area or state camp, trip or conference attended.
Club Leadership Award Outstanding participation as a leader for local club.	All grades	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Leader recommendation of 4-H'er and reason why. ✓ Quotas are assigned to clubs based on membership on May 1. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Awards given only if warranted.
Outstanding Junior Award 4-H'er must excel in the overall 4-H program on the county level. Given to 1 st yr , 2 nd yr and 3 rd yr juniors.	4 th thru 6 th	Committee selection based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Enthusiasm for 4-H, ✓ Local and County participation, ✓ Leadership qualities that are outstanding, ✓ Overall record keeping, and ✓ Leader recommendations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive this award more than once. ❖ Number of recipients is not limited.

<p>Project Award (Junior) To recognize achievement in a particular area (beef, clothing, aerospace, etc.) which includes a variety of learning activities or events related to a topic. All fair exhibits must come from a 4-H project. All projects <u>do not</u> have to be exhibited! This application is for a project award not an exhibit award.</p>	4 th thru 6 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Enrollment in the project. ✓ Completed a 4-H record keeping system which includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of project record form in project (Basic, Experienced or Advanced). • Completion of Yearly 4-H Summary and/or 4-H Story. • Records are clear and tell what you wanted to accomplish. • Records show progress towards your accomplishments or goals. • Records show growth and learning in your project. • Livestock worksheets completed, except horse and pony worksheet does not need to do page 3 & 8. (if a livestock project.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive the award only once in each project as a junior. ❖ Citizenship, Leadership or Communications areas-Optional. ❖ See definitions on Project Award for Juniors. ❖ Supporting materials optional.
<p>Project Award (Intermediate) To recognize achievement in a particular area (beef, clothing, aerospace, etc.) which includes a variety of learning activities or events related to a topic. All fair exhibits must come from a 4-H project. All projects <u>do not</u> have to be exhibited! This application is for a project award not an exhibit award.</p>	7 th thru 8 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Enrollment in the project area for two years. ✓ Completed a record keeping system which includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of project record form in project (Basic, Experienced or Advanced). • Completion of Yearly 4-H Summary and/or 4-H Story. • Records are clear and tell what you wanted to accomplish. • Records show progress towards your accomplishments or goals. • Records show growth and learning in your project. ✓ Must meet one out of the following three criteria: Citizenship, Leadership, or Communications. (Definitions on p. 5) Activity must be in the project area. ✓ Livestock worksheet completed, except horse and pony worksheet does not need to do page 3 & 8.(if a livestock project). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive the award only once in each project as an intermediate or senior. ❖ Supportive materials are optional (clippings, photos, project books, etc.)
<p>Intermediate Award Trip (Day in Des Moines Award Trip) To reward intermediate 4-H'ers for their participation in club and county 4-H programs.</p>	7 th & 8 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 4-H'er must attend 75% of your <u>regular</u> club meetings. ✓ Gave an educational presentation, working exhibit, or Share-the-Fun at the club meeting or at the county level. ✓ Be enrolled in and completed at least one project. ✓ Complete application form (you do not need to turn in your records). ✓ Answer the question "What does 4-H Mean to Me," (on lines on the application form). ✓ Must be able to attend the trip. ✓ Extension office does not provide transportation; car pooling may be arranged with other participants. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive this award once.

<p>Project Award (Senior) To recognize achievement in a particular area (beef, clothing, aerospace, etc.) which includes a variety of learning activities or events related to a topic. All fair exhibits must come from a 4-H project. All projects <u>do not</u> have to be exhibited! This application is for a project award not an exhibit award.</p>	<p>9TH thru 12TH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Enrollment in the project area for two years. ✓ Completed a record keeping system which includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of project record form in project (Basic, Experienced or Advanced). • Completion of Yearly 4-H Summary and/or 4-H Story. • Records are clear and tell what you wanted to accomplish. • Records show progress towards your accomplishments or goals. • Records show growth and learning in your project. ✓ Must meet one out of the following three criteria: Citizenship, Leadership, or Communications. Definitions on p. 5) Activity must be in the project area. • Livestock worksheet completed, except horse and pony worksheet does not need to do page 3 & 8. (if a livestock project). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive the award only once in each project as an intermediate or senior. ❖ Supportive materials are optional (clippings, photos, project books, etc.)
<p>AK-SAR-BEN Award (Major Award) To recognize 4-H members who are making significant progress toward maturity and leadership through their service as local club officers, county council members, junior leaders, and participating in county or area camping programs, achievement shows, county fairs, and other county or area events. Recipient need not be AK-SAR-BEN participant, but active 4-H'er in local or county levels. (Check with Extension office to see if applicants are eligible)</p>	<p>10th thru 12th</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 4-H'er must show leadership and citizenship beyond the club level. ✓ Complete application form. ✓ Submit your complete record keeping system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive this award only once. ❖ Record keeping system shows growth and knowledge in life skills. (Minimum level of proficiency, decision making skills, ability to set and follow goals, & able to cope with change.)
<p>Achievement Award (Major Award) To recognize young people who have shown outstanding personal growth through participation in a variety of 4-H projects and programs.</p>	<p>9th thru 12th</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 4-H'er must show leadership & citizenship beyond the club level. ✓ Complete application form. ✓ Include up to one page statement, 12 point type, and single spaced. What are the most important things I learned in 4-H and how have I used them in school, church, etc. ✓ Submit your complete record keeping system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive this award only once. ❖ Record keeping system shows growth and knowledge in life skills
<p>Agriculture Award (Major Award) To recognize young people who have grown personally through participation in a variety of agriculture programs and projects.</p>	<p>9th thru 12th</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 4-H'er must show leadership and citizenship beyond the club level. ✓ Complete application form. ✓ Include up to one page, 12 point type, single spaced, stating how your 4-H agriculture experience has helped you now and will in the future. ✓ Submit your complete record keeping system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive this award only once. ❖ Record keeping system shows growth and knowledge in life skills.

<p>Citizenship Award (Major Award) To recognize young people who have learned the meaning of citizenship and have demonstrated their understanding through good citizenship practices. Citizenship should be how we talk and act toward each other, how we think and feel about each other. It is our relationship with other people.</p>	<p>9th thru 12th</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 4-H'er must show leadership and citizenship beyond the club level. ✓ Complete application form. ✓ Include one page, 12 point type, single spaced, stating why you feel it is important to give back to the community. Highlight one special event. ✓ Submit your complete record keeping system. <p>Activities could include anything that will benefit the community, school, church group, a neighbor, etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive the award only once. ❖ Record keeping system shows growth and knowledge in life skills.
<p>Danforth Leadership Award (Major Award) William F. Danforth, founder of Ralston Purina, wrote a book "I Dare You" from his personal experience. He challenged young people to their highest potential in service and good citizenship. "I Dare You" Leadership Awards recognize youth who have a working knowledge of the 4-H program. It is to challenge them to develop their skills for future endeavors through life and most importantly service to others.</p>	<p>10th thru 12th</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 4-H'er must show leadership and citizenship beyond the club level. ✓ Complete application form. ✓ One page relating how you have shown <u>unselfish service to others</u> in both your 4-H involvement and outside activities. This could include school, family, home, etc. Please be specific. ✓ Submit your complete record keeping system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive the award only once. ❖ Record keeping system shows growth and knowledge in life skills. ❖ Growth is described best through goal setting and achieving those goals rather than fair exhibition ribbons.
<p>Leadership Award (Major Award) To recognize young people who have acquired and demonstrated leadership beyond the local club level. Leadership is helping a group attain it's goals. Leadership is not doing things for the group; it is helping the group decide what to do and how to do it.</p>	<p>10th thru 12th</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 4-H'er must show leadership and citizenship beyond the club level. ✓ Complete application form. ✓ Include up to one page, 12 point type, single spaced, reviewing your most memorable leadership accomplishment. ✓ Submit your complete record keeping system. <p>Activities could include helping other 4-H'ers. Conducting workshops, plan a club tour or achievement show, plan and carry out a recreation program for your club, etc.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive the award only once. ❖ Record keeping system shows growth and knowledge in life skills.

<p>Long Time Record Keeping Award Helps the members set their goals and evaluate their progress toward their goals, gain skills in self evaluation, record keeping and decision making.</p>	<p>11th thru 12th grade</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Complete application form. ✓ Your record keeping system must accompany this form. ✓ Met the record keeping guidelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed records for one or more projects. • Completed a yearly 4-H summary and/or 4-H story. ✓ Answer the question in approximately 250 words. “What skills have I learned during my 4-H career about record keeping and how will these skills be useful beyond 4-H?” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive this award only once.
<p>Chicago Award Trip 4-H'er shows leadership and citizenship beyond the club level. This is the County's top award to recognize those 4-H'ers who have shown personal growth through the 4-H program and have taken advantage of the many opportunities 4-H has to offer.</p>	<p>10th & 11th grade</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Complete application form. ✓ Submit your complete record keeping system. ✓ Answer the following question in approx. 250 words. “Why would Chicago be a great experience?” Must be able to attend the trip. ✓ Must attend an interview. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4-H'er may receive the award only once. ❖ Record keeping system shows growth and knowledge in life skills.
<p>DEFINITIONS ❖ Record keeping system for major awards shows growth and knowledge in life skills: 1) Minimum level of proficiency, 2) decision making skills, 3) ability to set and follow goals, & 4) able to cope with change.</p>		<p>DEFINITIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizenship is our relationship with other people. Activities could include anything that will benefit the community, school, church group, a neighbor, etc. • Leadership is “helping a group attain its goals.” Leadership is not doing things for the group, it is helping the group decide what to do and how to do it. Activities could include helping other 4H'ers, plan a club tour or achievement show, conducting workshops, plan and carry out a recreation program for your club, etc. • Communication is some type of communication with others. Activities could include presentations, working exhibits, Share-The-Fun, school speeches, community presentations, etc. 	