

JEFFERSON COUNTY 4-H YOUTH COMMITTEE APPLICATION - ADULTS

	Name:
	Address:
	City:Zip Code:
	Home Phone:Cell Phone:
	E-Mail Address:
1.	List your experience as a volunteer in youth organizations or activities (including 4-H):
2.	List your participation in other community groups or organizations.
3.	Share other skills or abilities that you would bring to the Jefferson County 4-H Youth Committee.
4.	Why would you like to serve on the Jefferson County 4-H Youth Committee?
5.	Please indicate which committee you would like to serve under and if you would be willing to be chairperson. Reference the committees on backside.

Please return this application to the Jefferson County Extension Office or email to Grace: gkd@iastate.edu

You can serve no more than TWO committees at one time. Term runs from January – December, with the option to be reappointed each year. Must pass a background screening.

1. Program Growth Committee

- a. Plan and develop a county 4-H program based on the needs of youth and the county.
- b. Share county action plan and evaluation results with others who influence continuation of the 4-H program (i.e. CYC, Recruitment Committee, Retention and Recognition Committee, etc.).

2. Recruitment

- a. Assume responsibility for carrying out county action plan to meet the goals of program growth and development.
 - i. Provide active leadership to the county 4-H program.
 - ii. Recruit volunteers to support the program.
 - iii. Develop community partnerships.
- b. Attend community events on behalf of Jefferson County 4-H.
- c. Inform people in the community about the benefits of 4-H program participation. Be an advocate for the 4-H program.
- d. Help new and under-served youth and families develop an awareness of the 4-H program.

3. Retention and Recognition

- a. Create an action plan for retention of existing 4-H members. a.
 - i. Examples: family fun night, 4-H appreciation, etc.
 - ii. Develop specific action plan steps for the transition from Clover Kids to 4-H
 - iii. Develop specific action plan steps to retain high school 4-H members
- b. Recognize youth and volunteers for their service in frequent and unique ways
 - i. Examples of recognition National 4-H Week, Awards Night, National Volunteer Week, social media, newspaper and radio, mailings, etc.
 - ii. Review Record Books
- c. Scholarships for Senior 4-H Members

4. Fair (three different committees)

- i. Determine rule changes to be presented to the Extension Council and Fair Board.
- ii. Provide support and adherence to state and national 4-H policies. Ensure county policies are aligned with and consistent with principles and practices of positive youth development.
- iii. Review fair book before it goes to the printer.
- iv. Identify individuals to serve as:

b. Livestock Superintendents

- i. Collaborate with other superintendents for your department to find a judge for show day by April 1st.
- ii. Pre-fair weigh-in and fair weigh-in responsibilities include helping with set-up, tear down, helping members complete their paperwork, recruiting volunteers, etc.
- iii. Assign stall assignments at fair. iv. Check-in all animals in your department at fair. Follow up with families about animals not present.
- iv. Review show program with other superintendents. vi. Ensure show day runs smoothly in the barn and in the show ring.

c. Static Building Superintendents

- i. Set-up of the Static Exhibit Building prior to fair week.
- ii. Help with check-in, ribbons and premium payout on Monday during fair.
- iii. Help with check-out and tear down on Sunday during fair.
- iv. Responsible for locking the Static Exhibit Building every day during fair at 9pm.

d. Showmanship

- i. Host Educational Clinics
- ii. Recognize youth at fair.
- iii. Attend all superintendent meetings (December, 2-3 weeks prior to fair, 2-3 weeks after fair).

5. Fundraising

- a. Help raise additional funds to support the county 4-H Youth program.
- b. Provide food booth at Jefferson County Fair (optional)
 - i. Obtain temporary food stand license
 - ii. Plan menu, purchase and prepare food
 - iii. Serve food with assistance from 4-H clubs
- c. Work with Extension to do a budget.