



4-H Committee Member

Purpose: The goal of the 4-H Committee is to act in partnership with 4-H youth in all Benton County program activities. The role of the 4-H Committee is to work to meet the developmental and educational needs of youth in the 4-H program. The Committee ensures the integrity and effectiveness of the 4-H program.

4-H Needs Caring Adults to:

- Serve as a role model for 4-H youth.
- Vision and evaluate the county 4-H program.
 - Collect qualitative and quantitative feedback about the Benton County 4-H program to make informed decisions as a dedicated team.
- Provide opportunities for youth to advocate for their 4-H experience and act as decision makers for the county 4-H program.
- Create a safe and inclusive environment for Benton County youth.
- Keep up to date with the Benton County 4-H program
 - Read 4-H newsletters and information from the Benton County Extension Office.
 - Be aware of 4-H opportunities.

Qualifications/Skills Needed:

- Successfully pass through the Child Protection and Safety Policy screening process.
- Willingness to follow the philosophy, policies, and procedures of the Iowa State University Extension and Outreach 4-H program.
- Sincere interest in the safety and well-being of youth.
- Ability to advocate for the youth experience in 4-H.
- Ability to build goodwill and encourage program support in the wider Benton County community.
- Ability to work effectively as a respectful, dependable, and collaborative team member.
- Ability to organize information and materials and delegate responsibility.
- Ability to work and communicate effectively both verbally and written.
- Ability to motivate parents and other volunteers to assume leadership positions.
- Ability to work with minimal supervision from county extension staff.

Extension Support:

- Schedule and prepare committee meeting items.
- Provide appropriate recognition and awards.

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Appointed by:

- Benton County Extension Council following successful application and screening process.

Receives Guidance from:

- 4-H County Youth Coordinator
- County Extension Director

Time Commitment:

- Monthly committee meetings
- High commitment preparing and during the Benton County Fair
- Preparation for and presence at the 4-H Awards Celebration
- Indirect or Direct support at county 4-H events and programs
- 3-year appointment, members may not serve more than 2 consecutive terms and cannot seek another term for at least 3 years

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