



Iowa State University Extension 4-H Youth Development
Partners in Youth Development
Youth Safety and Well-being Agreement

The staff and volunteers who work with the ISU Extension & Outreach 4-H Youth Development program are proud of (1) the quality educational programs provided to youth of this state, and (2) their personal commitment to nurture the positive growth and development of youth. ISU Extension & Outreach staff and 4-H volunteers will work as partners to provide meaningful learning opportunities to youth participating in the 4-H Youth Development program.

ISU Extension & Outreach and the County Agricultural Extension Districts will:

- Recognize volunteers and the valuable role they play.
- Provide assistance, program support, and encouragement.
- Provide training and educational opportunities for volunteers.
- Organize program planning process and direction.
- Provide research-based educational information and materials for programs.
- Maintain club and group membership files.

4-H Volunteers will:

- Participate in required training and educational opportunities provided by ISUEO as per their role description.
- Be supportive of the 4-H Youth Development program and its activities.
- Provide a safe environment and be a caring adult.
- Practice Youth/Adult partnership.
- Recognize youth in various ways.
- Help plan and carry out the 4-H program.
- Use research-based information and program materials provided by ISU.
- Supply ISUEO with all information and reports as requested, including but not limited to the club activity calendar and club financial records.

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Iowa State University Extension & Outreach and the County Agricultural Extension Districts are expected to recruit and train responsible volunteers dedicated to a safe learning environment for children in the 4-H Youth Development program. Volunteers are an important part of the ISUEO 4-H Youth Development program for youth in grades K-12.

As a 4-H volunteer:

1. I will make a conscious effort to ensure that all youth have access to the 4-H Youth Development program.
2. I will not manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, use, or be under the influence of illegal drugs and/or alcohol while I have responsibility for youth involved in the 4-H Youth Development program.
3. I will not harm youth or adults in any way, whether through sexual harassment, physical force, verbal, emotional, or mental abuse, neglect, or other harmful behaviors.
4. I will comply with State of Iowa motor vehicle-related regulations and laws when transporting 4-H youth.
5. I will participate in required and optional training as per my role description and accept guidelines and support from ISU Extension & Outreach staff and other volunteers.
6. I will not use the volunteer position for private, personal, or commercial financial gain.

I have read the Iowa State University Extension & Outreach Youth Safety and Well-being Agreement and understand that compliance is a condition for continuing involvement as a 4-H volunteer.

Signature of Volunteer

Print your name

Date

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