

Name: _____ Club: _____

Hamilton County 4-H Award Application

Priority Area Awards –

Iowa 4-H has 6 different priority areas: **Agriculture and Natural resources, Communication and the Arts, Healthy Living, Leadership and Civic Engagement, STEM, and Animal Science.** Each project area falls under one of these 6 priority areas (as listed on Page 3). If you have been involved with any of the project areas under these priority areas, you may be eligible to apply for an award. The number of awards given in each priority area is at the discretion of the review committee. Each program priority area award can be won up to three (3) times in a 4-Hers career: once as a junior, once as an intermediate, and once as a senior. Award winners will receive a certificate and a pin.

Criteria to Apply:

- Have at least two (2) years (including the current year) of project area records found in member record book
- Demonstrated competency in priority area member is applying for recognition for through involvement with at least one (1) project area within the priority area and an overall excellent record book

Senior Awards (Grades 9-12) –

Career Achievement Award: The career achievement award is presented to one (1) senior-level 4-Her who has finished 11th grade and is entering 12th grade. This 4-Her is expected to have shown outstanding personal growth through participation in a wide variety of 4-H programs, demonstrated outstanding life skills development throughout their 4-H career, and shown mentorship and leadership within the Hamilton County 4-H program and beyond. The recipient of the Career Achievement Award will receive a certificate of achievement and scholarship. The award can only be received once in a 4-H career.

Criteria to Apply:

- Finished 11th grade in the past school year, currently in 12th grade
- Participation in Hamilton County 4-H for at least two (2) consecutive years
- Priority given to members with record book completed for every year of 4-H involvement
- In good standing with both the county and club

Outstanding Senior Award: The Outstanding Senior Award is presented to 4-Hers who have shown exemplary growth, leadership, and dedication to the 4-H program. They show enthusiasm and interest in club and county events and strive to ‘Make the Best Better.’ 4-Hers can receive this award only once in their lifetime. The number of these awards given out each year is at the discretion of the review committee. A 4-Her CAN win both the Career Achievement Award and the Outstanding Senior Award in the same year.

Criteria to Apply:

- Finished 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade in the past 4-H year
- Priority given to members with record book completed for every year of 4-H involvement
- In good standing with both the county and club

Intermediate Awards (Grades 7&8) –

Intermediate Cultural Award: The Intermediate Cultural Award is an opportunity to have a night on the town with other Hamilton County Intermediate 4-H'ers! Visit a restaurant, then attend a live production for a wonderful show! The award can only be received once in a 4-H career.

Criteria to Apply:

- Completed 7th or 8th grade in the previous school year
- Priority given to members with record book completed for every year of 4-H involvement
- In good standing with both the county and club

Outstanding Intermediate Award: The Outstanding Intermediate Award is presented to 4-Hers who have shown growth, leadership, and dedication to the 4-H program. They show enthusiasm and interest in participating in club and county events and strive to 'Make the Best better.' 4-Hers can receive this award only once in their lifetime. The number of these awards given out each year is at the discretion of the review committee.

Criteria to Apply:

- Completed 7th or 8th grade in the past 4-H year
- Priority given to members with record book completed for every year of 4-H involvement
- In good standing with both the county and club

Junior Awards (Grades 4-6) –

Outstanding Junior Award: The Outstanding Junior Award is presented to 4-Hers who have shown enthusiasm and interest in participating in club and county events and have begun striving to 'Make The Best Better.' 4-Hers can receive this award only once in their lifetime. The number of these awards given out each year is at the discretion of the review committee.

Criteria to Apply:

- Completed 4th, 5th, or 6th grade in the past 4-H year
- Priority given to members with record book completed for every year of 4-H involvement
- In good standing with both the county and club

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Priority Area Awards:

Please place a check mark next to the priority areas you would like to be considered for an award for. NOTE: You MUST have participated in one or more of the project areas listed below the area to be considered for the award. You are applying for the bolded priority area award, NOT a specific project area.

___ **Agriculture and Natural Resources**

Agronomy Environment and Sustainability Horticulture Outdoor Adventures
Shooting Sports Entomology Wildlife

___ **Communication and the Arts**

Digital Storytelling Music Photography Visual Art Communication

___ **Healthy Living**

Child Development Clothing Consumer Management Food and Nutrition
Health Home Improvement Sewing and Needle Arts

___ **Leadership and Civic Engagement**

Leadership Civic Engagement Self-Determined

___ **STEM**

Computer Science Mechanics Woodworking Tractor Robotics
Aerospace STEM

___ **Animal Science**

Beef Dairy Cattle Dairy Goat Dogs Horse and Pony Meat Goat Pets
Poultry Rabbit Sheep Swine Veterinary Science

Senior, Intermediate, and Senior Awards:

Please place a check mark next to the awards you would like to be considered for. NOTE: Awards are based on the PREVIOUS school year; the grade 4-ers completed in the spring.

Senior Awards (Grades 9-12):

___ Career Achievement Award

___ Outstanding Senior Award

Intermediate Awards (Grades 7 and 8):

___ Intermediate Cultural Award

___ Outstanding Intermediate Award

Junior Awards (Grades 4-6):

___ Outstanding Junior Award