Shelby County 4-H Recognition Personal Development Application Form-Seniors 4-H’ers Only

Personal Information
Name ____________________________ Years involved in 4-H program ____________
Club ____________________________ School grade just completed ____________
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) ____________________________

Please see the Recognition and Awards Criteria for specifics on each award.

I am interested in applying for the following opportunity or award: (one per application form)
☐ Achievement ☐ County Council Memorial Scholarship (no interview) ☐ Leadership
☐ Agricultural and Natural Resources ☐ Farm Bureau 4-H Scholarship ☐ Obrecht
☐ Citizenship ☐ Danforth “I Dare You” ☐ Merit

1. Attach: (do not place in a binder or folder)
   • Application Form
   • Answers for the written portion
See back of application for questions. Please keep this brief, no more than 250 words per question. Please type out questions and responses, single space, no smaller than 10 font, print one sided. Do not put in a binder or folder.
   • Support materials (up to 2 pages):
Support materials should be different for each opportunity for which you are applying. It may be a story, and/or photos relating to the specific award you are applying for. Support materials should not just be about the last 1 or 2 years, but a snapshot of your entire 4-H career and how you’ve grown through your 4-H experience relating to this award criteria.

2. Submit materials to the Shelby County Extension office on or before Friday, September 30th.

3. Personal development interviews will Sunday, October 15th, from 2-4:30 p.m.

Please duplicate or download from www.extension.iastate.edu/shelby/4h as needed for each award. One application form per award.
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Achievement:
1. What would you tell an individual or an organization about 4-H?
2. How have you grown through your 4-H project areas?
3. How have you matured throughout your years in 4-H?
4. How have you contributed to the advancement of the 4-H program in Shelby County?

Agriculture and Natural Resources
1. What would you tell an individual or an organization about 4-H?
2. How have you grown through your participation in Agriculture and Natural Resource project areas?
3. How have you demonstrated leadership in your ANR project area(s)?
4. How have you shared your knowledge in the ANR project area(s) with others?

Citizenship
1. What would you tell an individual or an organization about 4-H?
2. Reflect back as a Jr. 4-H'er, what did you learn along the way to help you become a better citizen?
3. What does citizenship mean to you and how has your membership in 4-H contributed to you becoming a better citizen?
4. How have you demonstrated good citizenship practices?

Leadership
1. What would you tell an individual or an organization about 4-H?
2. Reflect back as a Jr. 4-H'er, what did you learn along the way to help you become a better leader?
3. How do you define leadership?
4. Give an example of how you are a leader and how you’ve demonstrated your leadership skills? (Keep in mind, being a leader is not about your position as a club officer but rather your actions)

Merit
1. What would you tell an individual or an organization about 4-H?
2. Reflect on the 4-H pledge and how you’ve experience recent significant growth.
3. Explain how you’ve served other 4-H members unselfishly.
4. How have you demonstrated leadership beyond your local 4-H club?

Danforth
1. What would you tell an individual or an organization about 4-H?
2. Explain how your life is based around the four fold program of mental, physical, spiritual, and social development.
3. How do you define leadership?
4. How have you demonstrated leadership beyond your local 4-H club?

Obrecht
1. What would you tell an individual or an organization about 4-H?
2. How have you demonstrated personal growth through a well-balanced 4-H program?
3. What leadership activities, other than club work, have you been involved in?
4. How has 4-H helped you to build character?

County Council Memorial Scholarship (no interview, based upon support materials only)
1. What would you tell an individual or an organization about 4-H?
2. Reflect back as a Jr. 4-H'er, what experiences did you have along the way that have helped you become the person you are today.
3. Tell about your favorite club projects and county activities that you participated in while a Shelby County 4-H'er.
4. As a county council member, what do you feel is your legacy? Are you leaving the organization better than when you began?

Shelby County Farm Bureau Scholarship
1. What would you tell an individual or an organization about 4-H?
2. How have you demonstrated growth in leadership and citizenship during your 4-H participation?
3. This scholarship is awarded to an “all around 4-H member”, what makes you an “all around 4-H’er”?
4. Tell about your future plans and how your 4-H experiences have made an impact on those plans.

*** County Council Memorial Scholarship and Shelby County Farm Bureau Scholarship awards do not count towards the 4-H Senior Personal Development Monetary Awards given each year during the county fair.***

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