

## **4-H Activity Leader Position Description**

Responsible to:

ISU Mahaska County Extension/Specific 4-H Club & leaders

Purpose:

To help youth develop life skills and skills and information about a specific project. Support members by providing meaningful educational experiences to help youth grow and reach their fullest potential through a 4-H club experience.

Responsibilities:

The activity leader works on a specific task for a designated length of time. This should be determined in your agreement with the person who contacted you.

The activity leader is not responsible for organization and operation of the club.

The activity leader is not to work unsupervised with youth, unless they have completed the Extension background check.

Benefits:

You will have a primary role in helping 4-H Youth:

- Develop talents and confidence
- Gain a sense of accomplishment
- Use new knowledge and skills
- Learn life skills for the future
- Build positive youth/adult relationships

Personally you will have the opportunity to:

- Increase your knowledge and skills
- Feel good about sharing with others
- Network with others; make new friends
- Have fun developing new interests
- Build community partnerships

Qualifications:

- Interest in young people and ability to communicate with them;
- Willing to devote the agreed upon amount of time and energy to working with youth;
- Knowledge of the area you agreed to help with and ability to share your knowledge with others;
- Patience and enthusiasm; and
- Ability to work within the club framework to accomplish your task

Time Commitment:

Commitment depends on time volunteer is willing to devote to this leadership role.

Support:

Access to Iowa State University and Iowa State University Extension

Staff.

Leader training opportunities.

Regular communication about youth and adult opportunities, policies and programs.

Project material educational resources.