



4-H Application Cover Form For Project Awards

☆ You will need one cover form for each application

Required: Please staple your application along with this cover form in the upper left corner and put in a paper pocket folder – one folder per story. Not necessary to use plastic protective sheets.

On the front of your folder include your name, club & grade and list your project award.

Name _____ Current Grade _____ Age _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

4-H Club/Independent 4-H'er _____ Years in 4-H Program _____

Phone _____ Parent/Guardians Names _____

Please answer the following questions:

- Yes No Is this the first year you have applied for project awards?
 Yes No If you have received 4-H project awards, is your metal award plaque filled?
 Yes No Are you interested in receiving information on area/state awards?

*4-H Project Award Information

***Project Award : _____
 *Awards: Green, Blue, Purple for 4th – 8th grade or
 Bronze, Silver or Gold for 9th – 12 grades

**For Special Awards (4-H'ers in 10, 11, or 12 grades)

Special Award: _____
 (list special award)

* 4-H Project Awards for 4-H'ers in 4th – 12th grades can apply for:

- Green, Blue or Purple awards for 4-H'ers in 4 - 8th grades
- Bronze, Silver or Gold awards for 4-H'ers in 9th – 12th grades

4-H'ers will receive a metal award plaque and project award disks to put on their award plaque

** Special Awards for 4-H'ers in 10th – 12th grades

(Detailed information available at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/4h>):

- Project Achievement Awards (must be in grades 10, 11 or 12)
- Achievement (must be grades 11 or 12 and Ak-Sar-Ben (one older youth who has exhibited at Ak-Sar-Ben)
- Danforth (must be in grade 11)
- Merit (must be in grades 11 or 12)
- Outstanding Graduated Senior (must be in grade 12)

4-H'ers may be interviewed for Special Awards. 4-H'ers who receive a Special Award will receive a 4-H Award Plaque with their name and award on the plaque

*** Project Areas

Listed below are different project awards. A 4-H'er may have their own sheep herd project and would like to receive an award in Sheep – Breeding or Market. Or under Science, Technology, Engineering & Mechanics – could be aerospace, computers, earth & climate, robotics, etc. For a listing of project area go to the Iowa 4-H Website: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/> each of those project hot sheets will also list citizenship and leadership opportunities to help you with your award application. An explanation of these awards can be found on the Iowa 4-H website located at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/recognition-opportunities>

Beef	Environment & Sustainability	Mechanics	Science, Technology,
Child Development	Food & Nutrition	Music	Engineering & Mechanics
Citizenship	Goats (Meat)	Outdoor Adventure	Sewing & Needle Arts
Clothing	Health	Pets (birds, cat, fish,	Sheep
Communication	Home Improvement	hamster, etc.)	Shooting Sports
Consumer Management	Horse/Pony	Photography	Swine
Crop Production	Horticulture	Poultry	Veterinary Science
Dairy Cattle	Leadership	Rabbit	Visual Art
Dairy Goats		Self - Determined	Woodworking
Dog			

See back of this cover form for answers to your questions on applying for 4-H Project Awards & Special Awards.



Answers to your questions on applying for 4-H Project Awards & Special Awards

Why Apply for 4-H Project Awards?

- Tells others what you have done in 4-H
- Helps with scholarship applications
- Adds to your job resume
- Receive Recognition

How to apply for 4-H Project Awards?

- **Complete Application:** Up to 4 pages (either typed or written*) and up to two pages of support material (resume and/or photos)
- Attach the 4-H Project Award Cover Form
- Each application must be stapled in upper left corner and submitted in a paper folder – with your name, club and grade on outside of folder

*Don't like to write? Prepare a 10 minute audio or video.

4-H'ers in 10 – 12 grades may apply for Special County Awards - the grades for the awards are different for each award (or see the front of this form).

- Project Achievement Awards (4-H'er must have received a gold award in the project area.)
- Achievement
- Ak-Sar-Ben
- Danforth
- Merit
- Outstanding Graduated Senior
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Requirements:

Check Special County project Awards located on the Woodbury County 4-H Website located: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/4h>

Interviews will be held for these awards.

How to Prepare your 4-H Award Application?

Your application can be up to 4 pages and up to two pages of support material (resume and/or photos). Do not count the application cover form.

Look at Project Award Guidelines – those guidelines will tell you what is required and the 4-H Award Rubric located at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/woodbury/4h> will let 4-H'ers know how the award application(s) are judged.

Your application should include:

- Introducing yourself and tell something about yourself
- Write about your project area
- What were some new ideas you learned in your project area?
- How did you share what you learned with other people (this could include with your club, your school, your church or community)
- Include your measureable goals, plans and what you want to do in the future in your project area – check the guidelines on how many goals are required
- Write about any Leadership you did in your project; like planning a workshop can include activities done within your local club, county and/or community
- Write about any Citizenship you may have done in your project
- What was the communication involved in your project; did you give a talk, make a poster or present a workshop?
- How have you personally grown from learning about your project?
- How did you feel about your project or are there things you would change – evaluate yourself and what you would do differently
- Write about other citizenship, leadership, citizenship and other 4-H events or activities you did.
- Include pictures to help tell your story.
- For additional help, check out the Project Hot Sheets for your project area at: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/page/4-h-project-hot-sheets>
The Hot Sheets will give ideas on projects, citizenship, leadership & communications.