

Beginner Recognition Awards Packet

In this pdf packet are all the awards a beginner (ages 8-10) 4-Her in Minnehaha County can apply for. Please check each award that you are applying for and place a copy of this form and all awards applications which are being applied for in the front of the completed Journal each year. If applying for multiple project pins or multiple sweepstakes awards, please print a separate award application for each one which is being applied for.

The following two pages include a brief explanation of all the awards available to apply for.

☒ Year Pin (ages 8-18)

☐ Project Pin (Minimum 2 years in 4-H)

☐ First Year, Second Year, & Third Year Beginner Award (Boy & Girl)

☐ Spirit of 4-H Award (Boy & Girl)

☐ All Around 4-H Award

☐ Sweepstakes Awards (10 categories)

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____
PO Box # or Street Address Town Zip

Club(s): _____

Explanation of Recognition Awards

Year Pin: Reflects the number of years that a member has been in 4-H. All members who turn in their Journal automatically receive their year pin. No additional application is needed.

Project Pin (Minimum 2 years in 4-H): Requires 2 years of project exhibits, one county or two club demonstrations and judging in that project area, (if judging is available).

First Year, Second Year, & Third Year Beginner Award:

- **First Year Beginner Award (Boy & Girl):** Open to all first year members. Based on the 4-H member's level of participation in the various activities and project areas in 4-H, as shown and described in your 4-H Journal, as well as upon the completeness, neatness and assembly of the Journal.
- **Second Year Award (Boy & Girl):** Open to all second year members. Based on the 4-H members first and second years in 4-H. 4-H members will have shown growth in 4-H, as described in your 4-H Journal, by becoming more active in 4-H, engaging in a variety of project areas and/or making progress on your goals from year one to year two. Completeness, neatness and assembly of the Journal are also important.
- **Third Year Award (Boy & Girl):** Open to all third year members. Based on the 4-H members continued growth in 4-H, as shown in your 4-H Journal, by participating in a variety activities and project areas throughout the first three years in 4-H, as well completeness, neatness and assembly of the Journal.

Spirit of 4-H Award (Boy & Girl): Based on the following Journal pages: Club meetings-How I participated (page 2), Other 4-H Meeting/Activities-How I participated (page 3), Leadership (page 4), Community Service-4-H specific (page 5). In addition, 4-Hers applying for this award must write a short essay describing how they have contributed to 4-H this year and why they deserve to receive the Spirit of 4-H Award.

All Around 4-H Award Sponsored award to determine the best all around 4-H member this year. Qualifying areas of work to be in Community Service, Leadership and Project area of choice. Must write a report based on the sponsor's application.

Sweepstakes Awards (10 categories) (1st & 2nd place in each category) Based on current 4-H year project exhibits entered in County Achievement Days, as recorded in the Journal. Points awarded per ribbon for each exhibit. One application per category.

Categories:

1. **Clothing & Textiles**
2. **Child Development & Home Environment**
3. **Photography & Videography**
4. **Foods & Nutrition, Food Preservation**
5. **Visual Arts**
6. **Livestock** (Rodeo, Beef, Cat, Dairy, Dog, Goats, Horse, Poultry & Eggs, Rabbit, Sheep, Swine)
7. **Science & Technology** (SET, Electricity, Aerospace & Rocketry, Computers & Technology, Engineering, Robotics, Wind Energy, Energy, Geospatial, Welding)
8. **Earth Science** (Geology, forestry, Wildlife, Horticulture, Plant Science, Range Science, Soil Conservation, Conservation & Stewardship, Entomology)
9. **Fine Arts** (Music & Dance, Photography, Writing, Drama & Theater, Graphic Design, Wood Science, Writing and Public Speaking)
10. **Lifetime Activities** (Bicycle, Community Service, Safety, First Aid, Fitness & Sports, Leisure Education & Recreation, Shooting Sports, Health, Hobbies & Collections)

PROJECT PIN APPLICATION FORM

Project pins for each area can be received only once. One application form per pin.

☐ Aerospace & Rocketry	☐ Dog	☐ Geospatial	☐ Range Science & Pasture Mgmt.
☐ Automotive & Small Engines	☐ Drama & Theatre Arts	☐ Goats	☐ Robotics
☐ Beef	☐ Economics & Business	☐ Graphic Design	☐ Rodeo
☐ Bicycle	☐ Electricity	☐ Health	☐ Safety
☐ Cats	☐ Embryology	☐ Hobbies & Collections	☐ Self-Determined
☐ Character Education	☐ Energy	☐ Home Environment	☐ Sheep & Wool
☐ Child Development & Family Life	☐ Engineering	☐ Horse & Pony	☐ Shooting Sports
☐ Citizenship	☐ Entomology & Bees	☐ Horticulture	☐ Soil & Soil Conservation
☐ Clothing & Textiles	☐ Entrepreneurship	☐ Leadership	☐ Swine
☐ Communications	☐ First Aid	☐ Leisure Education & Recreation	☐ Visual Arts
☐ Community Service	☐ Fitness & Sports	☐ Music & Dance	☐ Veterinary Science
☐ Computers & Technology	☐ Food Preservation	☐ Pets - Small Animals	☐ Water & Water Conservation
☐ Conservation & Stewardship	☐ Food Safety	☐ Photography	☐ Welding Science
☐ Consumer Education	☐ Foods & Nutrition	☐ Plant Science, Crops, & Weeds	☐ Wildlife & Fisheries
☐ Cultural Education	☐ Forestry	☐ Poultry & Eggs	☐ Wood Science
☐ Dairy Cattle	☐ Geology & Minerals	☐ Rabbits	☐ Workforce Preparation
			☐ Writing & Public Speaking

____ 1. I have given one county or two club demonstrations, talks, project whys or public speaking presentations in this project area. County demonstrations include special foods, character counts speeches, and fashion revue.

PRESENTATION TYPE & TITLE

(Example:) *Demonstration:
Let's Bake!*

YEAR

2008-2009

JOURNAL PAGE

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CLUB, COUNTY or STATE

(Indicate which one)

a. _____

b. _____

____ 2. I have exhibited at least two years at county level or have participated in a hands-on activity in the project area checked, i.e. community service project, leadership activity, shooting sports, etc. Journal years and pages: _____

____ 3. I have judged at least once at club, county, or state level, where judging in this project area was offered. Journal year & page: _____
If no judging is offered, please write -Not Available-

NAME: _____

CLUB: _____

First Year, Second Year, & Third Year Beginner Award

_____ This is my First Year in 4-H

This award is open to all first year members. The award is based on the 4-H member's level of participation in the various activities and project areas in 4-H, as shown and described in your 4-H Journal, as well as upon the completeness, neatness and assembly of the Journal. One boy and one girl will be selected.

_____ This is my Second Year in 4-H

This award is open to all second year members. The award is based on the 4-H members first and second years in 4-H. 4-H members will have shown growth in 4-H, as described in your 4-H Journal, by becoming more active in 4-H, engaging in a variety of project areas and/or making progress on your goals from year one to year two. Completeness, neatness and assembly of the Journal are also important. One boy and one girl will be selected.

_____ This is my Third Year in 4-H

This award is open to all third year members. The award is based on the 4-H members continued growth in 4-H, as shown in your 4-H Journal, by participating in a variety activities and project areas throughout the first three years in 4-H, as well completeness, neatness and assembly of the Journal. One boy and one girl will be selected.

Name: _____

Age: _____

Club(s): _____

Beginner Spirit of 4-H Award

This award is open to all 4-Her's. Awards will be given to one boy and one girl in each 4-H age group

This award is given to recognize those 4-Her's, whose contributions during the year, have **benefited 4-H as a whole** on a club, county and/or state level. Examples might be: sweeping armory floor on fruit delivery day, cleaning snack stand for Achievement Days, working with a committee, helping new 4-Her's, promoting 4-H, etc.

This award is based on the following Journal pages: Club meetings-How I participated (page 2), Other 4-H Meeting/Activities-How I participated (page 3), Leadership (page 4), Community Service-4-H specific (page 5). In addition, 4-Her's applying for this award must write a short essay describing how they have contributed to 4-H this year and why they deserve to receive the Spirit of 4-H Award.

Name: _____ Age: _____

Club(s): _____

Please describe how you have contributed to 4-H as a whole this year and why you deserve to receive the Spirit of 4-H award this year.

(Please add additional pages as needed for the essay)

Beginner All Around 4-H Award

Goal: To determine the best all around 4-H member this year.

Qualifying areas of work to be in Community Service, Leadership and Project area of choice.

Must participate in each area:

- **Area 1:** 10 Points Possible

Outline and Report

- a. Prepare a report using pictures and explanation—voice as on tape recording, video (videos uploaded to youtube are acceptable, written report, or other evidence.
- b. An outline of the activity, answering the questions.
 1. What do I want to accomplish?
 2. How will I proceed to do this?
 3. What did I learn?
 4. How could I improve or expand this activity?

Examples of questions to ask yourself in each area:

Community Service: How did it help the community? Would it be worthwhile to continue or expand?

Leadership: How did I improve my leadership skills?

Project area: Will I continue to develop this project? Why or why not? What life skills does this project have for me to use and what progress have I made toward this life skill?

Beginner emphasis should be more on the life skill, that project development.

- **Area 2:** 20 points possible

The development of community service, and leadership skills in these areas of your life.

- a. Explain your role in the activity and how you feel you grew this year, in each area.
 - i. School
 - ii. Church
 - iii. 4-H
 - iv. Other

- **Area 3:** 20 points possible

Improvement and Growth

- a. Answer these questions.
 - i. What was I like at the beginning of the year?
 - ii. What did I do to improve?
 - iii. What successes have I achieved this year?

Total Points _____ **of a possible 50 points**

Name: _____

Club: _____

Type of report submitted: _____

BEGINNER SWEEPSTAKES AWARDS

Criteria:

1. Member must enter a minimum of 3 exhibits to apply for the sweepstakes category.
2. Member may exhibit in as many classes as desired and will be awarded 4 points for each purple ribbon exhibit, 3 points for each blue and 0 points for reds and whites.
3. Member with the greatest point total will receive 1st place; next greatest will receive 2nd.
4. Member must record all project entries and ribbons in Journal.
5. Member must use one Sweepstakes application per category.

List only exhibits from this year. List only county level awards. Do NOT list State Fair awards. Do NOT list Youth-in-Action activities, as they are not entries. Members may receive awards more than once and can enter as many categories each year in which they qualify.

Please print off the following page, checking which category is being applied for along with list of county project entries.

Below is a list of the categories:

- _____ **Clothing & Textiles**
- _____ **Child Development & Home Environment**
- _____ **Photography & Videography**
- _____ **Foods & Nutrition, Food Preservation**
- _____ **Visual Arts**
- _____ **Animal** (Rodeo, Beef, Cat, Dairy, Dog, Goats, Horse, Poultry & Eggs, Rabbit, Sheep, Swine)
- _____ **Science & Technology** (Electricity, Aerospace & Rocketry, Computers & Technology, Engineering, Robotics, Wind Energy, Energy, Geospatial, Welding)
- _____ **Earth Science** (Geology, Forestry, Wildlife, Horticulture, Plant Science, Range Science, Soil Conservation, Conservation & Stewardship, Entomology)
- _____ **Fine Arts** (Music & Dance, Writing, Drama & Theater, Graphic Design, Wood Science, Writing & Public Speaking)
- _____ **Lifetime Activities** (Bicycle, Community Service, Safety, First Aid, Fitness & Sports, Hobbies & Collections)

This page is strictly for information and clarification

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BEGINNER SWEEPSTAKES AWARD

Name: _____

Club(s): _____

Category: (Please check which category is being applied for)

1. _____ Clothing & Textiles
2. _____ Child Development & Home Environment
3. _____ Photography & Videography
4. _____ Foods & Nutrition, Food Preservation
5. _____ Visual Arts
6. _____ Animal
7. _____ Science & Technology
8. _____ Earth Science
9. _____ Fine Arts
10. _____ Lifetime Activities

LIST COUNTY EXHIBITS ENTERED THIS YEAR: Minimum of 3 exhibits.

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