

**4-H Achievement Awards**

After the fair, it is important to recognize our 4-H members and leaders for all their accomplishments. One important way this is done is through Achievement Awards which are given at an Achievement Award Ceremony and or at a special club meeting.

Please read the following to learn more about the many 4-H achievement opportunities.

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| **Participation Recognition**  (These are pins) | |
| **Member Year Pins** | Recognize 4-H members for each year of 4-H work. **These are cumulative years and may include prep/cloverbud involvement and years in other clubs. A member will receive one year pin – even if they are in multiple clubs.** Year pins align with the number of 4-H Fairs a member has participated in. For 2020 and 2021 if a member was in 4-H we include those years too. Year pins are given for 1 through 13 years of 4-H work. Requirements are:  • Must attend 70% of the meetings  • Complete one or more project(s)  • Keep an accurate project record and submit the record at the close of the year  • Complete two of the following:  - Give a public presentation  - Exhibit at the County 4-H Fair or take part in a county event  - Participate in a community service project |
| **100% Attendance Pins** | Recognize members for their attendance at meetings and events**. Members receive 1 pin the first time they achieve 100% attendance. After that they receive an attendance certificate.** |
| **Teen Leader Pins** | Recognize teens that have helped lead or plan events or projects on the club or county level. **These pins are given only once in a 4-H member’s career.** |
| **Leader Year Pins** | Recognizes club organizational, project or chaperone leaders. Year pins are given for 1 through 15 and then every five years after (20, 25, 30, etc.) |
| **Achievement**  (These are certificates that recognize members for their achievements in project areas.) | |
| **Bronze Certificates** | Are awarded to members who have been in a project area for **2 – 3 years**. Members should show growth in their project, measured in part in relationship to a: member’s ability, size, and project knowledge. |
| **Silver Certificates** | Are awarded to members who have completed **4 – 5 years** in a project. Members should have knowledge well beyond the regular project material. Members may have specialized in on aspect of the project. |
| **Gold Certificates** | Are awarded to members who have completed **6 or more years** in a project. Member should have developed the project into a commercial undertaking, an avocation or lifetime hobby or has skills beyond the competency of the average adult. |

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| **County Recognition**  (These project pins are also known as project medals.)  These awards are designed to recognize outstanding individuals on a **county-wide basis**. Since this a county award, a limited number are given in each project area. Any adult volunteer or county 4-H staff may nominate members for these awards. These are very special and should be awarded to members who have been involved in 4-H for more than four or five years beyond Cloverbud.  **Members can receive a specific county project medal only once in their 4-H career**. | |
| **Achievement** | Attain a broad knowledge of 4-H projects and activities and their contribution to improving family and community living. Become a skilled, productive, and self-directing individual. Adopt and apply the latest practices and research finding to everyday living. Apply all 4-H training and experience in choosing and preparing for a vocation. |
| **Citizenship** | Become aware of their relationship to others, family, peers, state, nation, and world. Acquire life skills that are essential for an individual to become an active, responsible citizen. Demonstrate social responsibility. Learn to respect and respond to the needs, rights, and responsibilities of others. Contribute to community development. Gain insights into the principles, processes, and structures of democracy. Learn how issues affect the people of the world, affect us as a nation, and how the individual can become involved in addressing those issues. |
| **Leadership** | Identify and understand roles, attitudes, tasks, and functions that are necessary for effective leadership. Seek guidance in leadership development, which will provide opportunities to develop self-confidence. Become involved in leadership responsibilities and encourage other youth to do so. Actively participate in program planning, development and implementation, while recruiting new members and leaders. |
| **Public Speaking** | Recognize the need for obtaining pertinent information on a given topic. Learn about organization of materials to be presented in a speech. Develop a pleasing personal appearance before an audience. Acquire the ability to speak convincingly in public. Must have given a presentation at the state or national level this year. |
| **Community Service** | Identify community needs and develop activities to become involved in community issues. Develop a sense of belonging and give back to the community. |
| **Personal Development** | Achieve personal goals, extend beyond personal limitations, and become a well-rounded individual. |
| **Project Medals** | Are available for most project-specific areas. |

**Recognition Pins Available**:

1. Achievement
2. Aerospace
3. Agriculture
4. Alpaca
5. Animal Husbandry
6. Aquaculture
7. Arts & Crafts
8. Beef
9. Bicycle
10. Biological Sciences
11. Cake Decorating
12. Cats
13. Cavy
14. Child Care & Development
15. Citizenship & Civic Education
16. Citizenship
17. Clothing & Textiles
18. Cloverbud
19. Coding
20. Communications
21. Community Service
22. Computer Science
23. Computer Technology
24. Consumer & Family Sciences
25. Consumer Education
26. Cooking Master
27. Cooking
28. Cultural Engagement
29. Dairy
30. Demonstration
31. Dogs
32. Electricity
33. Engines, Tractors & Field Equipment
34. Entomology & Bees
35. Environmental Stewardship
36. Equine Science
37. Fashion Revue
38. Fine Arts
39. Food & Nutrition
40. Food Science
41. Forestry
42. Gardening & Horticulture
43. Genealogy
44. Geology
45. Goats
46. Guide Dog
47. Healthy Living
48. Herpetology
49. Hippology
50. History
51. Hobbies & Collectibles
52. Home Environmental
53. Horse
54. Industrial Arts
55. Judging
56. Lamp of Knowledge
57. Leadership
58. Livestock Master
59. Llama
60. Mentorship
61. Money Management
62. Music
63. Outdoor Education Recreation
64. Performing Arts
65. Personal Development
66. Pets
67. Photography & Video
68. Photography
69. Physical Science
70. Plant Science
71. Poultry
72. Public Speaking
73. Rabbits
74. Reporting Media
75. Robotics Master
76. Robotics
77. Rocketry
78. Safety
79. Scrapbooking
80. Sheep
81. Shooting Sports
82. STEM
83. Swine
84. Technology & Engineering
85. Veterinary Science
86. Visual Arts
87. Waterfowl
88. Wildlife & Fisheries
89. Wood Science
90. Woodworking Master
91. Yoga