



4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program
Plan & Report
Level Five ~ Gold Clover (Minimum age 15)

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Town/State/Zip _____

4-H Unit/Club(s) _____

Age as of January 1 _____ Birth Date _____ Years in 4-H _____ (including this year)

_____ I attended 60% of the 4-H Club meetings this year.

4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program Report

You should have discussed your involvement with your leader at the beginning of the year, so your leader can help you in directing your progress. Sixth level members need to have had their major project reviewed by the Extension Educator.

(Complete at the end of the 4-H year)

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Complete at least **seven** of the following tasks:

_____ 1. Serve as a club officer, committee chair or teen leader – *working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 2. **Provide leadership** for a club or community service-learning project – *understanding self*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 3. **Provide leadership** for a club or community fundraiser – *making decisions*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 4. **Provide leadership** for a club or county 4-H activity or event – *getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 5. Participate in a County 4-H Communications event (4-H speaking contests, presentation contest, poster contest, photo contest, or writing at least three news articles, please attach articles) – *communicating*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 6. Attend at least one state 4-H event (within the past two years) – *getting along with others*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 7. Participate in a national or international event representing 4-H – *working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 8. Help a younger member with a project exhibit or demonstration - *managing*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 9. Attend a resident 4-H county, regional or state camp representing 4-H **and** report back to your 4-H club meeting – *learning to learn*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 10. Participate in an Interstate Exchange or serve on State 4-H Council – *working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 11. Complete at least one different 4-H project – *managing*

Explain what you did/learned:

_____ 12. Serve on 4-H County Council and participate in **60%** of the meetings and activities. – *working with groups*

Explain what you did/learned:

Comments

I have reviewed this report and find it complete, accurate and adequate to meet the requirements of Level Five – Gold Clover of the 4-H Achievement Ladder Award Program.

4-H Member Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Key Leader Signature _____ Date _____

4-H Educator Signature (when necessary)

_____ Date _____

Return completed form to your county Penn State Extension office,

by September 1

Return by September 1 TO: "4-H Awards"/PSU Cooperative Extension, 867-B Mercer Road, Franklin, PA 16323.

Check the sign up for interviews on the webpage extension.psu.edu/venango. Click on 4-H The application is worth 75% of the total score. The interview is worth 25% of the total score. 4-H members **must** complete both the application and the interview to be eligible to receive scholarships and/or outstanding 4-H honors. **The application is to be printed as neatly as possible or typed by the 4-H member applying!!**

*** Cloverbuds do not complete this form. Cloverbuds who would like to complete the interview process are to register with the extension office by October 1st. Interviews for the Cloverbud division will take place at 4-H In The Mall on October .

Boy____ Girl____

Phone (____)_____ Age (as of 1/1/current year) _____ Birth date_____

Division Jr.____ Int.____ Sr.____
8-10 11-14 15-18

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s)_____

Including current year , I have been in 4-H____years. I am a Teen Leader in _____ 4-H Club

Name of 4-H Club(s) I am a member of:_____

I attend _____ School and am in the _____ grade

4-H Leader's

Signature_____

*** A 4-H Leader signature is required for the application to be accepted.

Please select an interview date from the website: extension.psu.edu/Venango Click on 4-H

◆ Be POSITIVE in your thinking! Aim high and reach for your goals! Be sure to CHECK one or more activities you would like to explore! All applicants will be considered for Outstanding Little Clover or Intermediate honors, or 4-H King, Queen and court.

Check which program(s) you would like to receive a ½ scholarship to.

- PA State Teen Leadership Conference, January 27-29 (13-19 years old)
- PA Junior High Leadership Conference (11-12 year olds)
- Regional 4-H In-Betweeners Retreat, Butler, PA, TBD (9- 12 years old)
- Regional Teen Leadership Weekend April 7-9, This is for any youth in 7th grade or older.
- Regional Junior Camp, June 15-18 (proposed) (8-10 years old)
- Regional Intermediate, Camp June 15-18 (proposed) (11-14 years old)
- PA State 4-H Achievement Days, August 1-3 (Proposed) (must be 13 years old, 4-H age)
- PA State 4-H Capital Days, April 1-3 (proposed) must be 15 years old, 4-H age)
- Livestock Camp May or June (Tentative) age 8-18, 4-H age)
- Fashion Revue (June must have a clothing project, 4-H age)
- Educational Program Fee ½ scholarship
- Horse Program Fee ½ scholarship



Scholarship Program Opportunities

- ✿ **Educational Program Fee:** Each 4-H member enrolling in the Venango County 4-H Program will be charged a \$15 per year fee. Members enrolled in more than one club will only pay \$15. The fee is per member and not based on how many clubs a child belongs to.
- ✿ **Horse Program Fee:** Each member enrolling in a 4-H horse project is required to pay a \$25 fee to support educational programs held throughout the state, but available to any 4-H horse member. This fee supports things like the driving clinics and horse camps that are held in Western PA. This fee is paid annually.
- ✿ **Northwest Regional 4-H Camps** Jr. Camp--4-H members 8-10 years of age Int. Camp--4-H members 11-14 years of age These camps are planned and conducted by extension staff, adult volunteers and teen counselors to provide campers with opportunities to learn new and challenging outdoor skills suited to the age and abilities of the campers. Skills learned include archery and shooting sports, boating and canoeing, handicrafts and more. Evening programs include campfires, dancing and special guests.
- ✿ **NW Regional 4-H Teen Leadership Conference, formally (Camp Counselor Training)** 4-H members in the 7th grade or older Are you looking for a way to gain new leadership skills & brush up on the old ones? Or are you ready to take the next step in leadership? Or maybe you are excited to meet new people & make new friends from yours and the other nine counties in NW PA? This will be a great experience for all teen leaders and those interested in improving their leadership skills. You will have the opportunity to practice your talents as a leader while participating in workshops, acting out your desires in skits, building teamwork, leading and participating in recreational activities and games, communicating with your peers, and many more. Teens who would like to compete to be a camp counselor must attend this program and be at least 14 years of age.
- ✿ **Regional 4-H In-Betweeners Retreat** 9-12 year old 4-H members. This event is planned and conducted by extension staff and 4-H teens. Fun and interactive workshops are planned around a theme, usually a 4-H related project or activity.
- ✿ **4-H Capital Days** 4-H members must be at least 15 years old. 4-H members attending will be selected from the King & Queen's Court. In the past when teens selected to attend from the court could not attend, teens completing the awards applications were asked to attend. This event is planned and conducted by extension staff and a committee of volunteers and teens to provide experience for teens that will lead to a better understanding of their roles as citizens of Pennsylvania. 4-H members spend two nights and three days in Harrisburg with teens from across the state, meet with their local representatives, see state government in action, tour points of interest in the Harrisburg area, hear speakers and participate in group discussion.
- ✿ **PA State Teen Leadership Conference** 4-H teens 13 years of age or older. This event is planned by the PA State 4-H Teen Council with University specialists, to provide opportunities for teens to strengthen their leadership skills.
- ✿ **PA State 4-H Achievement Days.** 4-H members 13 - 18 years of age This event is planned and conducted by the state and county extension staff, volunteer leaders and teens to provide 4-H members with an opportunity to demonstrate their project skills, to interact with other teens from across the state and to see Penn State. Qualified delegates participate in a State Days Contest. Area of competition is as follows: **Demonstrations:** Public Speaking; **State Fashion Revue;** **Judging Activities** (including Clothing and Textiles, Livestock, Meats Identification, Dairy, Foods & Nutrition, Horticulture, & Horse). **Special Activities** (including Archery, Canine Super Bowl, Horse Bowl, Hippology, Dairy Bowl, Physical Fitness, Orienteering, Rabbit and Cavy, Tractor Driving, Riflery, Air Pistols & Air Rifles). **State 4-H Photography & State Poster Art Contests**
- ✿ **(Livestock Camp)** A camping experience for animal science members. All age members in Westmoreland County. Teens held at PSU in May. Learn about your animal science projects in a camp setting.
- ✿ **Fashion Revue:** An opportunity for clothing and textile members to model their projects and for senior members to qualify for State Achievement Days.
- ✿ **National 4-H Congress** Outstanding 4-H members 15 years old and older. The Outstanding Boy and Girl will be designated as Venango County's delegates. National 4-H Congress is a recognition event open to outstanding 4-H members from participating states from across the nation. It provides members with opportunities to attend workshops and participate in field trips featuring career exploration and leadership development opportunities.

I belong to ____ (how many) 4-H Clubs? Name of 4-H Clubs: 1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____ 4. _____

Number of meetings held in current year: Club #1 ____ Club #2 ____ Club # 3 ____ Club # 4 ____

Number of 4-H meetings I attended: Club #1 ____ Club #2 ____ Club # 3 ____ Club # 4 ____

Offices held in my 4-H club(s): Club #1 ____ Club #2 ____ Club # 3 ____ Club # 4 ____

What responsibilities have you taken on in your 4-H Club(s) and/or what committees have you served on:

I took part in the following activities in my 4-H Club(s): _____

List the 4-H projects you completed in 2016 (Name of the Project, not the item entered)

What 4-H community service projects did you participate in the current year:

How many hours did you spend working on these projects: _____

◆ 4-H County events I participated in the current year

In the current year, I took part in the following county-wide 4-H activities:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H Kick Off Party | <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H in the Mall |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H County Council | <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H Livestock Judging |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H Fishing Derby | <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H Super Club Competition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Dinner | <input type="checkbox"/> Development Committee 4-H Auction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County-wide 4-H Horse Workshop-Mixer | |

Other (Please List) _____

What involvement/responsibility did you have with these activities: _____

◆ Beyond County 4-H - 10 Points Possible

In the current year, I took part in the following out-of-county 4-H events:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Camp | <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Counselor Training | <input type="checkbox"/> State 4-H Achievement Days |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fashion Revue | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Weekend | <input type="checkbox"/> State 4-H Teen Council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Livestock Field Day | <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Livestock Overnighter | <input type="checkbox"/> State Capital Days |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Dairy Overnighter | <input type="checkbox"/> Judging Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> National 4-H Congress |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Horse Weekend | <input type="checkbox"/> State Teen Leadership Conference | <input type="checkbox"/> PA Farm Show 4-H Volunteer |

Other _____

I exhibited my project work in the following Regional, State and National 4-H Shows in the current year: (Ex. Fashion Revue, Horse, Dairy, Rabbit, Dog or Goat Shows, Farm Show)

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Production Horse Show | <input type="checkbox"/> District Horse Show | <input type="checkbox"/> State Horse Show |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District Dairy Show | <input type="checkbox"/> State Dairy Show | <input type="checkbox"/> Western PA 4-H Small Animal Show |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Fashion Revue | <input type="checkbox"/> PA State Farm Show Animal Entry | <input type="checkbox"/> PA State Farm Show Non-Animal Entry |

◆ Community - 15 points

Community activities I have taken part in, outside of 4-H, during 2013 (Ex: Collecting for Heart Fund, Applefest, Christmas Caroling, Church Activities, School Activities, etc.).

