

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

A 4-H member is the main ingredient in the recipe for FUN. Members have an interest in combining learning and hands-on activities to help them develop into caring, responsible citizens. Members make a difference in their county. They give back to their community through involvement in leadership, education (learn by doing), and community service.

Members develop project and life skills through the support of Community Club Leaders, Project Leaders, other 4-H members, parents/caring adults and 4-H staff.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Complete annual enrollment paperwork.
- Be informed.
- Read all 4-H mailings.
- Be an active member.
- Help other members. Teach them the skills that you have learned.
- Become involved in county organizations if interested.
- Participation in county sponsored workshops, activities, community events and fair are encouraged but not required.
- Accept leadership roles if appropriate, become an officer or teen leader.
- Encourage others.
- Set good examples for other 4-H members.
- Be a good representative of 4-H.
- Promote the 4-H program.
- Participate. Take an active role in decision-making and express your opinions.
- Respect others.
- Be willing to learn and try on new ideas.
- Become aware of opportunities through 4-H that may effect not only yourself but others in your community as well.
- Be a positive role model in all areas especially sportsmanship and ethics.
- Follow specific requirements that a club, organization or county group may require.
- Follow all 4-H guidelines and policies of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service and 4-H program.

TIME COMMITMENT:

Varies depending on 4-H club, project, county, district and state commitments and requirements.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE:

- Community Club Leaders
- Project Leaders
- Resource Leaders
- Teen Leaders
- Parents
- Other Caring Adults
- 4-H Staff
- Community
- Bulletins, publications and other 4-H materials available from the 4-H office.

4-H has an endless amount of experiences for a member to enjoy. To be a successful 4-H member, youth need to be an active participant in their learning, accept responsibility for their actions, and strive to become the best that they can be.

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Signature of Volunteer

Date

Signature of Extension Professional

Date

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