



Missouri 4-H
University of Missouri
4-H Center for Youth Development

Missouri 4-H Club Program Book

Name _____
Club _____
County _____
Year _____

Emblem

The green four-leaf clover has a white “H” on each leaf to represent one of the four H’s – Head, Heart, Hands, and Health.

4-H Motto

“To Make the Best Better”

4-H Slogan

“Learning to Do by Doing”

4-H Pledge

I pledge my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service, and my health to better living for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

Colors

The white stands for purity. The green, nature’s most common color, represents life, springtime, and youth.

Missouri 4-H Purpose of Standards and Seals

To Encourage

- A quality educational program for **all** members.
- A **safe** environment where **all** youths feel like they **belong**.
- An environment where youths have opportunities to connect with **caring adults**.
- An environment where youths are actively **engaged** in **exploring** and **learning** about their **interests**.
- Opportunities for youths to strive for **mastery** in subject matter of **interests**.
- Opportunities for youths to set goals and be actively involved in the planning, implementing and evaluating the group's program.
- Opportunities to **experience** and **value service** to others and community.
- A **vibrant** environment where youths **want** to participate

To Provide:

Recognition for 4-H Youth Groups reaching Missouri 4-H Standards of Excellence.

Bronze Seal

1. Recruited and mentored new members and their families or other caring adults
2. Supportive adult leadership for officers to succeed, learning through projects and activities, recreation and community service.
3. Four or more meetings of a minimum of six hours of teaching time. Include demonstrations, judging, skill-a-thons, quiz bowls or other skill performance
4. At least one project group with a minimum of six hours of hands-on learning
5. Enrollment records on file at the County University of Missouri Extension Center
6. The group planned, implemented and evaluated a community service project.

Silver Seal

1. Recruited and mentored new member and their families
2. Necessary youth leadership (example: President/Chair, Vice President/ Vice Chair, Secretary/ Recorder, Treasurer, Recreation Leader) who are prepared to fulfill their leadership roles
3. Supportive adult leadership for officers to succeed, learning through projects and activities, recreation and community service
4. Group meetings should include recreation, education, and business. A group should meet eight times during the year for meetings, group activities or community service projects.

5. At least one hands-on project with a minimum of six hours of hands-on learning.
6. An annual program planned by the youths that includes skill performance (for example: demonstrations, judging or exhibition) AND health/safety AND recreation AND community service
7. Participation of group leadership (youths and adults) in advisory groups, program planning committees (local or county) or training opportunities
8. Evaluated the program planned by youths and determined that two or more goals are achieved in the group's annual program plan.
9. Enrollment records on file at the County University of Missouri Extension Center
10. Sixty-five percent or more of members complete at least one project

Gold Seal

1. Recruited and mentored new members and their families or other caring adults
2. Necessary youth leadership (example: President/Chair, Vice President/ Vice Chair, Secretary/ Recorder, Treasurer, Recreation Leader) who are prepared to fulfill their leadership roles
3. Group meetings should include recreation, education, and business. A group should meet 10 times during the year for meetings, group activities or community service projects.
4. At least one project group with a minimum of six hours of instruction
5. An average of six hours of hands-on learning for all project groups
6. An annual program planned by the youths that includes skill performance (for example: demonstrations, judging or exhibition) **and** health/safety **and** recreation **and** community service
7. Participation of group leadership (youths and adults) in advisory groups, program planning committees (local or county) or training opportunities
8. Enrollment records on file at the University Outreach and Extension center
9. Seventy percent or more of the members complete at least one project by reaching their project goals in that project.

Youth and adults in the group jointly complete the *What is Your Group Like? Vibrant Youth Group Assessment (Y671F)* and submit it to the county University of Missouri Extension center.

4-H Club Officers

President _____

Vice-President _____

Secretary _____

Treasurer _____

Song Leader _____

Recreation Leader _____

Reporter _____

Other _____

Other _____

Committees

(Standing committees are those named in the club's by-laws. Examples: program, health & safety, recreation)

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County 4-H Council

Meeting date _____

Officers

President _____

Vice-President _____

Secretary _____

Treasurer _____

Reporter _____

Other _____

Other _____

Other _____

Club Representative(s)

4-H Club Activities and Goals for 20____

The goals are developed by committee (Standing committees are those named in the club's by-laws. Examples: program, health & safety, recreation) and then presented to the club for approval. In a small club, the entire club may develop the goals.

Example of Goals

1. 90 % of the members have at least one dental examination during the year.
2. Have planned recreation at every club meeting.
3. Survey and correct fire safety hazards in 90 % of club member's homes.
4. All members complete every project being carried.

General
* Health and Safety
* Recreation
* Community Service
Optional Activity
Other Club Goals

Optional Club Activities (See Clover)
 Community Service
 Show Me Character
 Conserving our Natural Resources

Mini-Society
 Recreation & Leisure
 International Understanding
 Environmental Stewardship

Safety
 Self Determined
 Healthy Lifestyles

* Must achieve one or more goals in health and safety, recreation, community service and the optional activity if the club is to qualify for a Gold Seal.

Sample
4-H Club Meeting Program
 (First Meeting of the Year)

Place: Jim Bailes

Date: October 1, 2004

Time: 7:30 p.m.

	Person(s) Responsible
Activity for Early Arrival	Joan Miller
Business Meeting Call to Order, opening exercise, pledges Songs – “4-H Friendship Song” Roll call: What I Liked Best About My Project Reading and approval of minutes, correspondence Treasurer report Report of committees Report of project groups Old Business New Business <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Election of officers 2. Select club activity for next year 3. Appoint committee for Halloween treasure hunt 4. Make plans to attend Recognition Night 5. New president appoint program planning committee 6. Club leader suggestions and announcements 	President Secretary Treasurer Member reports
Program Project demonstrations and/or illustrated talks (educational) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “My Woodwork Project” “How to Choose a New Project” Health: Award certificates of merit to those who finished first aid course “How Environment Affects Our Health” Club Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safety: Report summary on home safety checks Pictorial story of safety on the waterfront at camp 	Bill Rainey Elizabeth Bell Mary Ray Bob Mullins Cecil Duffy
Recreation Play games, sing songs	Nancy Moore
Refreshments	Bill Jones Sue White Rob Gilpin

4-H Club Meeting Program - Month _____

Place:

Date:

Time:

	Person(s) Responsible
Activity for Early Arrival	
<p>Business Meeting</p> <p>Call to Order, opening exercise, pledges</p> <p>Songs</p> <p>Roll call</p> <p>Reading and approval of minutes, correspondence</p> <p>Treasurer report</p> <p>Report of committees</p> <p>Report of project groups</p> <p>Old Business</p> <p>New Business</p>	
<p>Program</p> <p>Project demonstrations and/or illustrated talks (educational)</p> <p>Club Activities</p>	
Recreation	
Refreshments	

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