

SAUK COUNTY 4-H 2020 AWARDS PACKET



Sauk County 4-H Members and Leaders:

It is never too early to start thinking about the end of the 4-H year and end of the year awards. These awards are given based on October 1 – September 30 project and Club work in 4-H. Only members in good standing (*see Sauk County 4-H Policy document for definition*) are eligible to apply. Please read the narratives regarding each award carefully. Please feel free to make as many copies of these forms as needed. All applications and nominations are due to the Sauk County Extension Office by: **OCTOBER 1. BEFORE 4:30PM.**

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PROJECT COMPLETION PLAQUES AND YEAR PLATES

Completion of the Sauk County 4-H Project Record signifies the completion of your project for the year. Record books consist of some general summary pages of the entire year, and then a summary of each project area. A Sauk County 4-H Project Record and project story should be completed and written for EACH project. The project story can include project goals, why you chose that project, interesting experiences you had in the project this year, lessons learned for the year, etc. Each project story should be less than one page. Record Book pages/forms can be found on the Sauk County website, or from your Club Leader. Members will receive a Project Plaque for the first year of completing project records, and are eligible to receive year plates for each year they complete a project record. **Check with your Club Leader to see if your club has any additional requirements for record book complete and the Club Deadline.**

COUNTYWIDE RECORD BOOK AWARDS

Since you have already completed your Project Record books for your project completion, why not aim for a county record book award? New for 2019, Clubs will have the opportunity to submit Record Books for a Countywide Award process. Record Books must first be evaluated at the Club Level. After record books have been evaluated at the Club Level, Clubs can submit 10% of their total Club Membership in each grade category. (For example, if a club has 30 members, they can submit 3 record books in the 3-5 grade category, 3 in the 6-8 grade category and 3 in the 9-12 grade category.)

In order for a Clubs' records books to be considered AT LEAST 2 adults or one adult and on youth (10-13 grade) must help with the countywide evaluation process. All Record Books will be considered in the Overall Category first, a bronze, silver and gold award will be given in each grade category. After Record Books are evaluated for the Overall Categories, they will be evaluated in a nominated project area. Project areas for evaluation are: Animal Science; Arts and Communication; Family, Home, and Health; Mechanical Sciences; Natural Resources, Environmental Education and Shooting Sports; Plant and Soil Sciences; and Citizenship, Service Learning and Leadership. **Record Books are due to the Extension Office with a nomination form from the Club Leader by October 1. Dates for Countywide Evaluation process will be October 6 and October 7, from 6-9PM both evenings at the West Square Building.**

CLOVER AWARDS

The Clover Award is designed to recognize 4-H members for their active participation in Club, County, State, Regional, National and International activities and events. By participating in activities and events, members can earn points towards the different recognition levels. 4-H members may take more than one year to earn a Clover Award, but may only earn one (1) per year. An exception is made for older 4-H members who may not have enough years left in the 4-H program to earn all levels of achievement. Any 4-H member who was in 9th grade or above during the current school year is eligible to earn more than one (1) Clover Award per year if necessary.

There are two options for the Clover Award.

1. Metal Clover Award
2. Completion of Paper Certificate Clover Award – This award is only available to those who were already in process. They can complete until you reach the Emerald level.

Applications are due: October 1 to the Extension office, please note, your club leader's signature is required on the form, BEFORE you turn it into the Extension office.

GENERAL 4-H MEMBER AWARDS

A complete award application for Rookie of the Year, Do-It-Yourself or Make the Best Better, and Community Servant Award should include the following items:

- One General 4-H Award Entry Sheet
- One General Award Application
- Essay addressing the question that applies to each and every award you are applying for.
- Check 4-H Awards Packet to see if there is any additional information required.
- One folder to hold all of your general award application requirements.

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD - Must be a first year member (two categories 3-6 grade and 7-13 grade, but could have been a previous clover kid) who did an outstanding job in ALL 4-H project work. For this award applicants should complete the General Award Application, and write a one page supplemental essay addressing what you have accomplished in your first year in 4-H.

DO-IT-YOURSELF KID AWARD - There will be two categories for this award. Grades 3-6th or 7-12th, and must be a member in good standing. This member was ready and willing to complete all activities on their own without prompting for the current year. For this award applicants should complete the General Award Application, and write a one page supplemental essay addressing what you have accomplished this year all by yourself.

MAKE YOUR BEST BETTER AWARD - MOST IMPROVED 4-H MEMBER – There will be two categories for this award. Grades 3-6th or 7-12th, and must be a member in good standing. Applicants for this award should have shown increase of participation and growth in all qualities of 4-H with their Club, community and at home. For this award applicants should complete the General Award Application, and write a one page supplemental essay addressing why you believe you are this year's most improved 4-H member.

COMMUNITY SERVANT AWARD YOUTH – There will be two categories for this award. Grades 3-6th or 7-12th, and must be a member in good standing. Applicants for this award should have demonstrated community service skills in 4-H with their Club, community and at home. For this award applicants should complete the General Award Application, and write a one page supplemental essay addressing why you believe you should receive the Community Servant Award.

MASTER JUNIOR LEADER CERTIFICATION

Junior Leaders are older 4-H members who develop skills in working with others. These teens assist the club leaders and members with project work, club programs and activities, and county events. The Master Junior Leader Certification Award recognizes youth who have stepped up into those Junior Leader roles. There are four different levels to achieve. Members may only achieve one level per year, unless they are within the last 2 years of their 4-H career, then they may apply for more than one per year. *Only complete the section for the level you are applying for.* **The form is due to the Sauk County Extension office by October 1.**

OUTSTANDING 4-H YOUTH LEADER AWARD

NOMINATION AWARD

The Sauk County 4-H “Outstanding 4-H Youth Leader” awards are yearly awards designed to recognize 4-H youth leaders who have: gone above and beyond their 4-H responsibilities and really “given it all” to Sauk County 4-H in the past year; -OR- done an outstanding job as a 4-H project youth leader on the club or county level; -OR- done an outstanding job helping out at 4-H programs and events on the club or county level; -OR- provided outstanding support, guidance, or leadership to any 4-H member(s) in Sauk County. 4-H Youth Leaders can self-nominate for this award or be nominated by any Sauk County 4-H member, youth leader, adult leader, parent, or group of 4-H participants (Example: project group, 4-H club, etc.).

4-H CLUB OFFICER AWARDS

A complete award application for 4-H Club Officer Awards should include the following items:

- One General 4-H Award Entry Sheet (Same sheet used for the general awards)
- One General Officer Application
- Additional materials required for each officer role – as defined on officer application
- One folder to hold all of your application materials. (Can be same folder as general awards)

PRESIDENT AWARD - Each club president interested in this award should apply by completing the Officer application and submitting 3 agendas they prepared.

VICE-PRESIDENT AWARD - Each club vice-president interested in this award should apply by completing the Officer application and submitting 3 agendas they prepared.

SECRETARY AWARD - Each club secretary interested in this award should apply by completing the Officer application and submitting their club secretary book. The club secretary book will be reviewed for completeness, neatness and context.

TREASURER AWARD - Each club treasurer interested in this award should apply by completing the Officer application and submitting their club their club treasurer book. The club treasurer book will be reviewed for completeness, accuracy and neatness.

REPORTER AWARD - Each club reporter that is interested in this award should apply by completing the Officer application and submitting copies or clippings of reports that have been submitted and printed in the 4-H newsletter, or a local newspaper.

HISTORIAN AWARD - Each club historian who is interested in this award should apply by completing the Officer application and submitting their Club Scrapbook. The scrapbook will be evaluated on completeness, neatness and creativity.

PHOTOGRAPHER AWARD - Each club photographer that is interested in this award should apply by completing the Officer application and submitting least 3 pages of photos that they have taken for the club over the past year.

SONG AND GAME LEADER AWARD - Each club song and game leader interested in this award should apply by completing the Officer application submitting three games or songs they led.

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES SCHOLARSHIPS

The 4-H Program is MUCH bigger than just activities and events at the club and even the county level. There are opportunities for youth to travel and participate in Statewide and Nationwide educational experiences. The process is painless! All you have to do is create and submit a cover letter, resume, and references page, along with completing the 4-H Educational Experiences and Key Award Interest Form. The cover letters, resume, and references will be reviewed. The final step in the process is for you to participate in a short interview with some Sauk County community members. Then you could be off to Georgia, our nation's capital, or Alabama.

The Senior Leaders will support one educational experience per youth per year, with the exception of being a Space Camp Counselor or attending National 4-H Conference. If youth are applying to be a Space Camp Counselor or to attend National 4-H Conference, they may also be awarded an additional trip scholarship. Check with your Club leader; your club may also help pay for your participation in these trips.

Educational Experiences Scholarships are available for:

- **Space Camp:** Youth in grades 6th-8th grade at the time of the trip are eligible to apply to attend Space Camp. Youth will participate in hands-on mock space missions and other activities in the NASA program.
- **Space Camp Counselor:** Youth in grades 7th-10th grade who have attended Space Camp in previous years are eligible to apply to be a counselor for Space Camp. They help campers learn more during their experiences, leading activities and mentoring campers.
- **Wisconsin 4-H & Youth Conference:** All youth in grades 7-10 are encouraged to apply for this trip! This is an AMAZING opportunity to live on the UW-Madison campus and attend workshops in just about every area you can imagine. The nightly entertainment and dances set an exciting atmosphere to meet 4-H members from all over Wisconsin. This experience is a MUST for all Wisconsin 4-H members!
- **Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF):** Is a leadership program for youth in grades 10th-12th (must be 15 at the time of the trip) from across the country. Youth will learn importance of civic and social responsibility as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders. The week is full of workshops, speakers, field trips, tours of Washington DC, and social events. There are typically three weeks that Wisconsin will send youth to this event.
- **National 4-H Congress:** National 4-H Congress is an INCREDIBLE opportunity for youth in 10th-12th grade to participate in quality educational workshops and cross-cultural experiences with youth from all over the US.
- **National 4-H Conference:** Members must first be selected in Sauk County and then complete a statewide selection process for this trip.

Educational Experiences Scholarships Continued

More information and helpful hints can be found in the Guide to Creating Application Materials for Key Award and 4-H Educational Experiences Scholarships. This Guide can be found on the Sauk County website or from your club leader.

To apply for the **EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES SCHOLARSHIPS** the following materials are due in the Extension office, West Square Building, 505 Broadway, Baraboo, WI 53913 **before 4:30 PM on October 1.**

- ❑ Sauk County 4-H Key Award and Educational Experiences Scholarship Interest Form
- ❑ A cover letter
- ❑ A resume
- ❑ A references page with three references

Monday, October 12 – Interviews for the Educational Experiences Scholarships will be held at the West Square Building in Baraboo if possible, or via zoom. An interview schedule will be sent out after all applications are received.

STATE 4-H MEMBER AWARDS

KEY AWARD - The Key Award is the most prestigious award that a 4-H member can receive. Only 1% of the county membership is eligible to receive this award. Sauk County can select up to three people each year to receive the distinguished **Key Award**. Its purpose is to provide special recognition to 4-H members who have shown consistent growth in their 4-H program, who have developed their leadership ability, and who have been helpful members in their club and community. Older youth considered for this award must be in at least 9th grade, as of January 1 of the current year and must have completed at least three years of club work and one year of the youth leadership project.

To apply for the **KEY AWARD** the following materials are due (hard copies or emailed) in the Extension office, West Square Building, 505 Broadway, Baraboo, WI 53913 **before 4:30 PM on August 14.**

- ❑ Sauk County 4-H Trips and Award Interest Form
- ❑ A cover letter
- ❑ A resume
- ❑ A references page with three references

Interviews for the Key Award will be held on **August 26** at the West Square Building, if possible, or via zoom. An interview schedule will be sent after all applications are received.

More information and helpful hints can be found in the Guide to Creating Application Materials for Key Award and 4-H Educational Experiences Scholarships. This Guide can be found on the Sauk County website or from your club leader.

4-H ADULT LEADER AWARDS

NOMINATION AWARDS

The Sauk County 4-H “4-H Adult Leader” awards are yearly awards designed to recognize 4-H adult leaders who have: gone above and beyond their 4-H responsibilities and really “given it all” to Sauk County 4-H in the past year; -OR- done an outstanding job as a 4-H project youth leader on the club or county level; -OR- done an outstanding job helping out at 4-H programs and events on the club or county level; -OR- Provided outstanding support, guidance, or leadership to any 4-H member(s) in Sauk County.

4-H Adult Leaders can self-nominate for this award or be nominated by any Sauk County 4-H member, youth leader, adult leader, parent, or group of 4-H participants (Example: project group, 4-H club, etc.). There are NOW three different categories of 4-H Adult Leader Awards.

NEW LEADER AWARD - For New Leaders serving Sauk County 4-H for 1 years-5 years.

OUTSTANDING LEADER AWARD - For Leaders serving Sauk County 4-H for 6-15 years.

LIFETIME LEADER AWARD - For Leaders serving Sauk County 4-H for 16+ years.

SERVICE TO SAUK COUNTY 4-H AWARDS

NOMINATION AWARDS

FRIENDS OF 4-H AWARD

The Sauk County 4-H “Friend of 4-H” awards are yearly awards designed to recognize organizations, businesses, and individuals outside of the 4-H community which have: supported the efforts of Sauk County 4-H in the past year; -OR- donated funds or material to help Sauk County 4-H programs; -OR- donated time and energy to help Sauk County 4-H programs.

Any organization, business, and/or individual who are currently associated with 4-H as a leader or parent are not eligible for this award. Any organization, business, or individual can be nominated by any Sauk County 4-H member, youth leader, adult leader, parent, or group of 4-H participants (i.e. a project group, 4-H club, etc.).

2020 SAUK COUNTY 4-H PROJECT COMPLETION ENTRY SHEET

Completion of the Sauk County 4-H Project Record signifies the completion of each project for the year. Along with a Project Record, youth are also asked to complete a project story for each project area. The project story can include project goals, interesting experiences, lessons learned for the year and any other information you would like to add. Please limit your story to one page per project area. All of your project records and stories should be placed in one folder or 3 ring notebook. All project records and support materials are due to your club leader by your club's designated date. Please check with your club leader.

NAME:	Birth Date	Month	Day	Year
ADDRESS:	TOWN and ZIP:			
AGE (As of January 1)	PHONE: ()			

Directions: Place an X in the first column in front of the project you need a year plate for. If you also need a project plate, please put an X in the 2nd column in front of that project area.

Yr.	Proj.		Yr.	Proj.		Yr.	Proj.	
Younger Members			Arts & Communication Cont.			Mechanical Sciences & Science Technology, Engineering & Math cont.		
		Cloverbud			Demonstrations			Scale Models
		Exploring			Speaking			Small Engines
Community Involvement					Clowning			Tractors
		Citizenship			Dance			Wind Energy
		Service Learning			Music			Woodworking
		Youth Leadership			Theatre Arts	Natural Resources & Environmental Ed.		
Animal Sciences					Photography			Astronomy
		Beef			Videography/Filmmaking			Backpacking & Hiking
		Cats	Family, Home & Health					Bees
		Cavies			Cake Decorating			Conservation/Exploring Your Environment
		Dairy Cattle			Child Development			Entomology
		Dogs			Consumer Savvy			Fishing
		Exotic Animals			Crocheting			Forestry
		Goats – Dairy			Entrepreneurship			Geology
		Goats – Meat			Foods & Nutrition			Recycling
		Horse			Food Preservation			Rock Climbing
		Horseless Horse			Health			Water
		Pets			Home Environment			Wildflowers
		Poultry			Knitting	Shooting Sports		
		Rabbit			Personal Finance			Air Rifle & .22
		Sheep			Sewing			Archery
		Swine			Workforce Readiness	Plant & Soil Sciences		
		Veterinary Science	Mechanical Sciences & Science Technology, Engineering and Math					Crops
Arts & Communication					Aerospace & Model Rocketry			Flowers & Houseplants
		Art			Bicycles			Fruits
		Drawing & Painting			Computers			Home Grounds
		Folk Arts			Electricity			House Plants
		Leathercraft			Geospatial			Vegetables & Gardening
		Communications			Legos & K*Nex	International Programs & Self Determined		
		Creative Writing			Robotics			International Programs
								Self-Determined

STATEMENT BY 4-H MEMBER - I PERSONALLY HAVE PREPARED THIS (THESE) REPORT(S) AND CERTIFY THAT IT REFLECTS MY WORK.

Date: _____ 20__ Signature of 4-H Member: _____

APPROVAL OF THIS REPORT

We have reviewed this (these) report(s) and believe it (them) to be correct.

Date: _____ 20__ Signed: _____ (Parent or Guardian)

Date: _____ 20__ Signed: _____ (4-H Club Leader)

2020 SAUK COUNTY 4-H AWARDS ENTRY SHEET



NAME:	
GRADE IN SCHOOL (As of January 1):	AGE (As of January 1):
4-H CLUB:	PHONE: ()
EMAIL ADDRESS:	

Please review the award descriptions, before applying for the awards. Use the columns at the right to make sure you have submitted all of the required paperwork for the award. All award applications and materials listed on this entry sheet should be placed in one folder, separate from project records. **Deadline for all awards is October 1 in the Sauk County UWEX office before 4:30PM.**

Please place a check mark in front of the awards you are applying for, and make sure all application materials are included in one folder.		General Application & 1 page essay	General Officer Application	Other – see Awards Packet for details
PAPER Clover Award (Circle level)	Green Bronze Silver Gold Emerald This is only still being offered to youth who are completing their already started Paper Clover Award process.			X – Paper Clover Award Form
Metal Clover Award (Circle level)	Green Bronze Silver Gold Emerald			X – NEW Clover Award Form
Rookie of the Year	(3-6 Grade)	X		
Rookie of the Year	(7-13 Grade)	X		
Do-It-Yourself	(3-6 Grade)	X		
Do-It-Yourself	(7-13 Grade)	X		
Make Your Best Better	(3-6 Grade)	X		
Make Your Best Better	(7-13 Grade)	X		
Community Servant Award	(3-6 Grade)	X		
Community Servant Award	(7-13 Grade)	X		
Master Junior Leader Certification				Master Junior Leader Certification form
Outstanding Youth Leader Award				Outstanding youth leader application/nomination form
President			X	Copies of 3 agendas you prepared
Vice President			X	Copies of 3 agendas you prepared
Secretary			X	Secretary Book
Treasurer			X	Treasurer Book
Reporter			X	Copies of reports in newsletter
Historian			X	Club Scrapbook
Photographer			X	3 pages of photos taken
Song or Game Leader			X	Copies of three games or songs you lead this year

STATEMENT BY 4-H MEMBER - I PERSONALLY HAVE PREPARED THIS (THESE) APPLICATION(S) AND CERTIFY THAT IT (THEY) ACCURATELY REFLECTS MY WORK.

Date: _____ 20__ Signature of 4-H Member: _____

APPROVAL OF THIS REPORT

We have reviewed this (these) report(s) and believe it (they) to be correct.

Date: _____ 20__ Signed: _____ (Parent or Guardian)

Date: _____ 20__ Signed: _____ (4-H Club Leader)

SAUK COUNTY 4-H GENERAL AWARD APPLICATION

If you are applying for more than one award, only one application needs to be completed. However, you must include a one page essay for each individual award that addresses the question specific to that award. **All entry sheets, applications and supplemental essays are due October 1 in the Sauk County Extension office before 4:30PM.**

Name _____ 4-H Club _____

Email Address _____

Grade in School as of Jan 1. _____ Total years in 4-H including present year _____

List your 5 most important 4-H career accomplishments:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

List 4-H projects you completed this year:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

What knowledge or skills you have learned as a 4-H member?

How are you involved in leadership in 4-H, at the club, county, or beyond?

What community service activities/projects have you participated in, what did you learn?

What is your favorite activity, experience or part of Sauk County 4-H?

What is your LEAST favorite activity, experience or part of Sauk County 4-H?

List your involvement in non 4-H activities:

On a separate piece of paper (maximum of one page only), address the following question (s) for each award you are applying for:

Award	Question to be addressed for that award
Rookie of the Year	What have you accomplished in your first year in 4-H?
Do-It-Yourself Kid	How have you demonstrated that you are a do-it-yourself kind of kid?
Make Your Best Better	How have you changed this year to make you the most improved 4-H member?
Community Servant	What have you learned, and what skills have you gained through community service activities?

A complete award application should include the following items:

- One Award Entry Sheet
- One General Award Application
- Essay addressing the question that applies to each and every award you are applying for.
- Check Award Entry Sheet or 4-H Awards Packet to see if there is any additional information required.
- One folder to hold all of your general award application materials.

SAUK COUNTY 4-H OFFICER AWARD APPLICATION

Please use this application for all officer awards. You may only apply for one officer award each year. In addition to this application, you must submit the following:

Officer Position	Additional requirements
President	Copies of three agendas you prepared
Vice President	Copies of three agendas you prepared
Secretary	Current club secretary book
Treasurer	Current club treasurer's book
Reporter	Copies or clippings of reports in 4-H newsletter or newspapers
Historian	Current club scrapbook
Photographer	3 pages of photos taken for club
Song or Game Leader	Descriptions of three games you lead, or lyrics from three songs you lead

Name _____ 4-H Club _____

Email Address _____

Grade in School as of Jan 1. _____ Total years in 4-H including present year _____

Current Officer Position: _____

Have you ever held this office before? _____ If so when? _____

My accomplishments for this year in this officer role are: _____

What did you learn this year, in your officer role? _____

In what ways have you helped your club this year in your officer role?

Would you like to serve in this officer role again? Yes ____ No ____

Explain why: _____

What advice would you give the next person who serves in this officer role?

What leadership skills have you learned serving in this officer role?

How can you apply the leadership skills you have learned as an officer to other parts of your life?

All entry sheets, officer applications and supplemental materials are due October 1 in the Sauk County Extension office before 4:30PM.