

HAND COUNTY

4-H RECOGNITION AWARDS

Participation at club and county levels are very important. There are participation requirements that have been set for 4-H members in order to earn completion and awards.

Participation requirements are as followed:

- 4-H member must attend four club meetings. (Excluding At-Large Members)
- 4-H member must complete 4-H Record book.

Each club may have their own discretion on what constitutes for meeting these requirements. Such as, participating in events or working at the lunch stand at Achievement Days may count towards a club meeting.

▪ **Year Pin**

- 4-H member must complete one of the following including participation requirements:
 - ⇒ 4-H member showed project accomplishment in one project area.
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in judging program at club or county level.
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in a county event/activity
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in Junior Leadership.

▪ **Project Medals**

- 4-H member must complete the following including participation requirements:
 - ⇒ Enrolled in 4-H three years and complete three years' requirements.
 - ⇒ Must give a public presentation/demonstration at club or higher level.
 - ⇒ Be enrolled and completed three years in project area.
 - ⇒ Shows project accomplishments determined by Leader or 4-H Advisor.
 - ⇒ Complete judging at club or county level, if judging is available in project.

▪ **Achievement Pins (Bronze-2nd yr., Silver-5thyr., & Gold-10th yr. or Age 16+)**

▪ **Bronze Award**

- 4-H member must complete the participation requirements
- 4-H member must give a public presentation/demonstration at club or higher level.
- 4-H member must have completed two (2) years in 4-H.
- 4-H Member must have shown project accomplishment in one project area.
- 4-H member must have also completed two of the following;
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in two county event/activity.
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in judging.
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in helping plan and completing a community service project with club or as an individual.
 - ⇒ 4-H member brought one non 4-H friends to a club meeting.
 - ⇒ 4-H member held an office in 4-H club.
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in Junior Leadership

▪ **Silver Award**

- 4-H member must complete the participation requirements
- 4-H member must give a public presentation/demonstration at club or higher level.
- 4-H member must have completed five (5) years in 4-H and received the Bronze Award,
- 4-H member must have shown project accomplishment in two project areas,
- 4-H member must have participated in judging
- 4-H member must have also completed two of the following;
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in three county event/activity.
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in helping plan and completing a community service project with club or as an individual.
 - ⇒ 4-H member brought two non 4-H friends to a club meeting.
 - ⇒ 4-H member held an office in 4-H club.
 - ⇒ 4-H member provided leadership for a club committee.
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in Junior Leadership
 - ⇒ 4-H member mentored another 4-H member or non 4-H member with a 4-H project and/or activity.

▪ **Gold Award**

- 4-H member must complete the participation requirements
- 4-H member must give a public presentation/demonstration at club or higher level.
- 4-H member must have completed ten (10) years in 4-H or reached age 16, and received the Bronze and Silver Awards,
- 4-H member must have shown project accomplishment in two project areas,
- 4-H member must have participated in judging,
- 4-H member must have participated in Jr. Leadership and
- 4-H member must have also completed three of the following;
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in three county event/activity.
 - ⇒ 4-H member participated in helping plan and completing a community service project with club or as an individual.
 - ⇒ 4-H member brought two non 4-H friends to a club meeting.
 - ⇒ 4-H member held an office in 4-H club.
 - ⇒ 4-H member provided leadership for a club committee.
 - ⇒ 4-H member provided leadership for a non-club committee.
 - ⇒ 4-H member had given a 4-H promotional speech in the community, school, etc.
 - ⇒ 4-H member mentored another 4-H member or non 4-H member with a 4-H project and/or activity.

▪ **Outstanding Exhibitor Award – Girl and Boy**

- Selection of the award will be based on total points accumulated from Achievement Days and State Fair ribbon placings plus participation in Youth-in-Action events and Judging.
 - ⇒ 4-H member completed participation requirements.
 - ⇒ 4-H member can win this award once as a Beginner/Junior and once as a Senior.

▪ **Citizenship Washington Focus Trip**

- 4-H member must complete the following including participation requirements:
 - ⇒ 4-H member must give a public presentation/demonstration at club or higher level.
 - ⇒ 4-H member has completed three years in a 4-H program
 - ⇒ 4-H member has completed the CWF county application form
 - ⇒ 4-H member has written a one-page essay about their experience in Citizenship and why this trip would help expand their citizenship qualities.

▪ **South Dakota 4-H Key Award**

The South Dakota 4-H Key Award recognizes 4-H members who have excelled in the contributions to their 4-H club, county and state. The objective of this award is to encourage growth, continued 4-H participation and outstanding citizens. The award in this program is a gold key and an honor certificate. Recipients of this prestigious Key Award can be proud of the contributions they made to their club, community and state.

- 4-H member must complete the following including participation requirements:
 - ⇒ 4-H member must be 16 years of age by January 1st of the current year in which the award is made.
 - ⇒ 4-H member has completed five years of 4-H.
 - ⇒ 4-H member must give a public presentation/demonstration at club or higher level.
 - ⇒ 4-H member has completed the South Dakota 4-H Key award application provided by their Club Leader or 4-H Advisor.
 - ⇒ 4-H member has written a letter to the editor of local newspaper explaining the effect the 4-H program has had on his/her life. Include copy of letter (published copy preferred).