

Douglas County 4-H Club Seal Application

The purpose of the Douglas County 4-H Club Seal Application is to assist 4-H Clubs in planning and evaluating their yearly club program. We hope that the options given in the application will allow flexibility and creativity in planning club programs while supporting the county 4-H program as well.

At the beginning of the 4-H year, a committee of 4-H members and volunteer leaders should work together to determine club goals for the coming year and share them with club members.

At the end of the 4-H year, the 4-H Club Seal Application should provide an opportunity for club members and leaders to work together to recognize their accomplishments and progress.

SEAL REQUIREMENTS

Clubs with 35 or More Members

- ✓ Purple Seal – All Basic Requirements + 14 Optional
- ✓ Blue Seal – All Basic Requirements + 12 Optional
- ✓ Red Seal – All Basic Requirements + 10 Optional

Clubs with 25-34 Members:

- ✓ Purple Seal – All Basic Requirements + 13 Optional
- ✓ Blue Seal – All Basic Requirements + 11 Optional
- ✓ Red Seal – All Basic Requirements + 9 Optional

Clubs with 15 – 24 Members:

- ✓ Purple Seal - All Basic Requirements + 12 Optional
- ✓ Blue Seal – All Basic Requirements + 10 Optional
- ✓ Red Seal - All Basic Requirements + 8 Optional

Clubs with 5 - 14 members:

- ✓ Purple Seal – All Basic Requirements + 11 Optional
- ✓ Blue Seal - All Basic Requirements + 9 Optional
- ✓ Red Seal - All basic Requirements + 7 Optional

4-H Basic Club Seal Requirements for all Clubs

_____ Have five enrolled youth members (5 - 18) from at least three families.

_____ Have two or more screened and board-approved adult volunteer club leaders.

_____ The 4-H Club has By-laws and a Constitution on file in the Extension Office.

_____ Conduct a minimum of six regular club meetings during the 4-H year (October 1 – September 30)

_____ Conduct a minimum of six educational club programs/experiences (4-H Member Project Talk(s), Guest Speaker(s), Club Field Trip(s), etc.)

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

6) _____

_____ Turn in the club's audit of the treasury from the previous 4-H year to the Extension Office by October 30 of the current year.

_____ Have a democratically elected club officer team: Turn in the Club Organization Sheet by October 30 of the current year.

_____ Have at least one 4-H Council Representative attend a majority of all 4-H Council meetings for the current year. (October, December, February, April, June, August)

_____ Have a 4-H Parent/Guardian Committee *

1) _____ 4) _____

2) _____ 5) _____

3) _____ 6) _____

_____ Have at least one club representative attend the Bromelsick and Dreher Memorial Services.

1) _____ 2) _____

_____ Provide one or two adult volunteers for the following:

1) 4-H Concession Stand Day Manager

a. _____

b. _____

2) 4-H Project Record Report Form Judging

a. _____

b. _____

Optional Club Seal Requirements – You must have completed a minimum of one task from each of the four sections for any ribbon level.

INDEPENDENCE (HEAD) – Youth need to know they can influence people and events through decision-making and action. By exercising independence through 4-H leadership opportunities, youth mature in self-discipline and responsibility and learn to better understand themselves. One of your club goals can be created by your club as long as it fits the **Independence (HEAD)** criteria.

- _____ Have 25% of club members submit Project Records for recognition.
- _____ Have 25% submit 4-H Achievement Pin Applications
- _____ Have each club member actively participate on a 4-H club committee.
- _____ Encourage 4-H members 12 and older to enroll in Leadership and/or Civic Engagement
- _____ Have parliamentary practice activity at each club meeting to help members understand Parliamentary Procedure.
- _____ Organize a group activity (model meeting, gavel games, skit, etc.) to compete at 4-H Club Day.
- _____ Hold a junior officer meeting or program.
- _____ Have 75% of club members/adult volunteers help at the County Fair. This includes: set-up, clean-up, concessions stand, fair superintendent, junior project leader, etc.

_____ Have one or more members participate at the Kansas State Fair in ways other than exhibiting project work. Including, but not limited to: Demonstration/Illustrated Talk, Modeling, Judging Contest, assist with judging process, etc.

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| 1) _____ | 4) _____ |
| 2) _____ | 5) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 6) _____ |

- _____ Have an activity (display/banner, poster, event) promoting 4-H during National 4-H Week in the local community.

Activity: _____

- _____ Have one or more youth/ adult volunteers participate in county day camp, judging event, or fashion review. Etc.

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| 1) _____ | 4) _____ |
| 2) _____ | 5) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 6) _____ |

- _____ Have youth/adult volunteers who participate in county, state, or national 4-H event or camp.

County Event/Name (s) _____

State Event/Name (s) _____

National Event/Name (s) _____

- _____ Have a 4-H club or project leader(s) attend a county, regional, or state volunteer training.

Training/ Name: _____

- _____ Have a youth and/or adult project leader serve on the Kansas 4-H Project Partnership Team(s)

Team/Name: _____

MASTERY (HANDS) – Youth need to feel and believe they are capable and experience success at solving problems and meeting challenges to develop their self-confidence. By exploring 4-H projects and activities, youth master skills to make positive career and life choices. One of your club goals can be created by your club as long as it fits the **MASTERY (HANDS)** criteria.

____ Have 50% of club members present at least one talk, demonstration, or illustrated talk at a club or project meeting.

____ Have at least one club member present a project talk, demonstration, or illustrated talk to a non-4-H group. (Local school, civic organization, youth organization, etc.)

1) _____ 2) _____

____ Youth Project Leaders assist the Adult Project Leader with two or more project meetings.

1) _____ 2) _____

____ Youth Project Leader assists at county/regional events such as club day, fashion revue, judging event, spring show, etc.

1) _____ 4) _____
2) _____ 5) _____
3) _____ 6) _____

____ One or more 4-H Club members compete at County or Regional 4-H Club Day, other than group events.

1) _____ 4) _____
2) _____ 5) _____
3) _____ 6) _____

____ Host a club project tour or project event.

____ Promote 4-H on local radio station, social media, local online newspaper, or county 4-H newsletter.

Promotion Platform and Topic: _____

____ 75% of 4-H club members exhibit at the Douglas County Fair.

____ Have one or more members participate in/attend the Bromelsick Christmas Party.

1) _____ 4) _____
2) _____ 5) _____
3) _____ 6) _____

____ Have one or more members participate in a county judging event or contest.

1) _____ 4) _____
2) _____ 5) _____
3) _____ 6) _____

____ Have one or more club members exhibit in the Kansas State Fair, KJLS, or Kansas Junior All Breeds Dairy Show.

1) _____ 4) _____
2) _____ 5) _____
3) _____ 6) _____

BELONGING (Health) – Youth need to know they are cared about by others and feel a sense of connection to others in the group. 4-H allows youth to feel physically and emotionally safe while actively participating in a group. One of your club goals can be created by your club as long as it fits the **BELONGING (HEALTH)** criteria.

_____ Organize a county-wide program or event with Extension staff.

Event: _____

_____ Have an exchange meeting or other event with another 4-H group or club in or out of the county.

Event: _____

_____ Host a club-sponsored educational trip or tour.

Trip/Tour: _____

_____ Host fun and engaging club activity(s) such as skating party, game night, picnic, etc.

Activity(s): _____

_____ Host interactive recreation at club meetings and encourage all members to participate.

_____ Host a 4-H Club Achievement Program to showcase the accomplishments of 4-H'ers and volunteers.

_____ Encourage club members to participate in local, regional, or state 4-H Day Camps or youth programs offered.

_____ Have 75% of the club officer team attend County-Wide Officer Training.

President - _____

Vice President - _____

Secretary - _____

Treasurer - _____

Council Rep. (2) - _____

Other - _____

_____ Provide a "New 4-H Family Coordinator" or "New Family Orientation" to assist new families as they join 4-H.
(Cannot be 4-H club leaders.)

Volunteer(s): _____

_____ Have experienced members serve as a buddy/mentor for new or young members.

_____ Form a club promotion committee (youth and 1-2 adult volunteers) to develop a public display, program, club banner, club photo board, etc.

Promotion Event: _____

CARING FOR OTHERS (Heart) – Youth need to feel their lives have meaning and purpose. By exploring 4-H community service and civic engagement activities, youth can connect to communities and learn to give back to others. Youth need to be encouraged to consider the feelings of others. 4-H'ers need opportunities to mentor other youth and be a part of another's success. One of your club goals can be created by your club as long as it fits the **CARING FOR OTHERS (HEART)** criteria.

____ Host a fundraiser to benefit a local nonprofit foundation or charity.

Event: _____

____ Contribute to a local nonprofit foundation or charity.

Contribution: _____

____ Show appreciation to local businesses and/or individuals who support 4-H with written thank you notes, refreshments, events, etc.

Appreciation Event 1: _____

Appreciation Event 2: _____

____ Form a club service committee (youth and 1-2 adult volunteers) to plan at least two service projects for your club.

Project 1: _____

Project 2: _____

____ All club members participate in at least one club service project.

Project: _____

____ Club Project Leaders/Junior Project Leaders present to club members how to incorporate community service into 4-H project work.

Verification for Club Seal

____ Our club has satisfactorily met our goals and should be awarded the _____ Club Seal.

Club Name: _____

Review Date: _____

Please list the review committee below:

4-H Members/Club Officers:

Club Leaders/Parent Committee Members:

