

MONTGOMERY COUNTY 4-H

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Montgomery County 4-H Awards Newsletter Edition

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A FULL YEAR OF 4-H ACHIEVEMENTS began September 1, 2023 and ends on August 31, 2024. You set your goals, completed project work, and realized your successes—now is the time to summarize it all in your 4-H Project Record Forms and your Kentucky 4-H Achievement Application forms. By completing **4-H PROJECT RECORD FORMS** for each project you completed this past year, earns you a “Project Disk” to be applied to your Awards Plaque. The **KENTUCKY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT APPLICATION** is used to summarize all your leadership, citizenship, and individual skill achievements in 4-H. This form is used by both Junior members ages 9-13 AND Senior members ages 14-19.

What’s the Deadline? The deadline to submit your Project Records and Achievement Applications is October 1, 2024!

Each year we recognize those who bring to a close or completion their project by completing a project record and the **Kentucky 4H Achievement (Honors) Application**. Recognition is presented in late Fall. More information to follow on when!

DEFINITIONS:

- **Junior Member** - A 4-H member who was 9 - 13 years old as of Jan. 1st of the current year.
- **Senior Member** - A 4-H member who was 14 - 18 years old as of Jan. 1st of the current year.
- **Clover Bud Member**—A 4-H member who was 5-8 years old as of Jan. 1st of the current year.



4-H Special Awards

The following **SPECIAL AWARDS** are easy to apply for. The **deadline is October 1st, 2024**. All you have to do is complete a **Kentucky 4H Achievement (Honors) Application**. The form is available at the Montgomery County Extension Office or you can get a copy online—go to the Montgomery County 4-H webpage at <http://montgomery.ca.uky.edu/>. Read the requirements of each award and be sure to list activities related to the award in the **Kentucky 4H Achievement (Honors) Application**. **There is a new form that came out last year but it will need to be used this year. We have the new forms if you want to request one.**

► **TAMMY WATKINS 4-H AWARD OF EXCELLENCE:** For one Junior **AND** one Senior 4-H Member—
Sponsored by the Montgomery County 4-H Council. This Award was established *In Memory of Tammy Lynn Watkins*, a 4H member who exemplified outstanding personal development through 4-H and other youth organizations. Winners will be selected in each age division.

The following criteria should be met before applying for this award:

1. Must have excelled and participated in community service and leadership activities.
2. Must have completed the Kentucky 4H Achievement (Honors) Application.

► **FLOYD MCDANIEL AWARD:** For one Junior **OR** one Senior 4-H Member—

This agriculture-related award was established *In Honor & Memory of Floyd McDaniel*, a former Montgomery County Extension Agent for Agriculture.

The following criteria should be met before applying for this award:

- A. Completed the Kentucky 4-H Achievement (Honors) Application.

Floyd McDaniel Award Continued:

- B. Complete a small/large animal science project such as: dog, sheep, country ham, beef, lamb, swine, goat project, rabbit or an embryology project, etc.
- C. Complete a horticulture/4-H Field Science project. Examples include: a garden project, landscape, beautification project, tobacco, forages (hay), corn, soybeans, or windowsill.
- D. Complete a 4-H communication, marketing or leadership activities such as a presentation before a civic organization, participating in the 4-H Clover sales, appearing on radio, public service announcement, newsletter articles, newspaper articles promoting your projects, etc.

► **ROBERTA S. HUNT AWARD:** For one Junior OR one Senior 4-H Member

This Family & Consumer Sciences/Arts and Crafts related award was established *In Honor and Memory of Roberta S. Hunt*, a former Montgomery County Extension Service office secretary and community leader. The Award is sponsored by the family of Mrs. Roberta S. Hunt & was established in 1989 upon her retirement from the UK Cooperative Extension Service.

The following criteria should be met before applying for this award:

- A. Complete a family and consumer science related project activities such as food, nutrition, breads, dairy foods, clothing, home management, home environment, consumer education, or arts and crafts.
- B. Complete a 4-H, Family & Consumer Sciences or arts and crafts related presentation before a civic organization, other than 4-H Club, homemaker club, or community organization or appeared on radio, public service announcement, newsletter articles, news articles promoting your projects, etc.

► **FINNELL FIELDS 4-H COUNCIL AWARD:** For one Senior 4-H Member

This award recognizes the growth & development of a Senior 4-H member who shows achievement in leadership & citizenship activities. This award is sponsored by the Family of Mrs. Maxine Ricketts *In Honor and Memory of Finnell L. Fields*, a former Montgomery County Extension Agent for 4-H. The following criteria should be met before applying for this award & must be indicated on the Kentucky 4-H Achievement (Honors) Application:

- A). Hold an office or leadership role within your club or community organization.
- B). Give a presentation to your 4-H club, to another 4-H Club, the Montgomery County 4-H Council or to a community organization such as the Mount Sterling Rotary Club or the Kiwanis Club of Mt. Sterling.
- C). Has completed 4-H citizenship activities such as learning about government, our culture history), or the legal process (law).

► **TAKE AIM AWARD:** For one Junior OR one Senior 4-H Member

This award is sponsored by Risner's Tax Service. It recognizes the outstanding achievements of a 4-H Shooting Sports club member who excels in leadership positions and participates in a 4-H Shooting Sports project. A senior member will be given priority if all else is equal. This award is *In Honor & Memory of Mr. Anthony Bellamy*, a 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator and Coach who passed away in 2011. He instilled in club members a sense of responsibility and respect for firearms. He was an advocate of gun safety and demanded all youth/adults in the range, whether practice or competition to abide by safe firearm handling practices.

The following criteria should be met before applying for this award and must be indicated on the Kentucky 4-H Achievement (Honors) Application:

- A). Be an active member of the Montgomery County 4-H Shooting Sports Club and have shown leadership in the club and community.
- B). Must have shown a respect for fellow 4-H members and leaders on and off the practice field. As in helping the volunteer coaches, leaders and other members of the club.

► **SPIRIT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY AWARD IN ARTS & SCIENCES:** For one Junior OR Senior 4-H Member

This award is sponsored by Len & Kelley Beverley and is given to a 4-H'er who has completed exemplary project (s) in Science, Engineering, Electric, Robotics, Speech and Demonstration, Computers, Soil Science, Dairy Science or Creative and Performing Arts.

Spirit of Montgomery County Award Continued:

and performing Arts.

The following criteria should be met before applying for this award:

- A). Presented a speech or demonstration at the Montgomery County 4-H Speech & Demo Event in their project area.
- B). Achieve success in the community service category of the Kentucky 4-H Achievement (Honors) Application.
- C). Has participated in events in their project area on the district or state levels such as STEM day at the Kentucky State Fair, at State or District Speech and Demonstration event, or performed as part of the State Creative and Performing Arts Troupe.
- D). Attend at least two Montgomery County 4-H Council Meetings and provide updates on their project.
- E). Include a personal profile and resume on their Kentucky 4-H Achievement (Honors) Application.

► **CONNIE J. RISNER 110% AWARD:** For Senior 4-H Members

This award, created in 2023 in honor and appreciation to Connie J. Risner, a Montgomery County Extension Staff Assistant for her hard work and dedication to the Montgomery County 4-H Program is awarded to a Senior 4-H Member who has shown outstanding leadership this past year by assisting the 4-H Agent, 4-H Program Assistant or Volunteer Club Leader. This award will be chosen from information taken from the 4-Her's Achievement Application on Leadership. Sponsored by Mary E. Garrett

► **KENTUCKY PETROLEUM SUPPLY AWARD:** For Senior 4-H Members

This award recognizes the most outstanding senior 4-H'ers in Montgomery County and is given to 4-Her's who have not previously received the award. The award is sponsored by Greg & Tina Garland.

The following should be met before applying for this award:

- A). The 4-H'er must have completed activities in leadership, citizenship, communication/marketing, community service and participation (project work and completion).
- B). Each of the above requirements must be indicated on the Kentucky 4-H Achievement (Honors) Application.

WHAT IS 4-H?

4-H is America's largest youth development organization---empowering nearly six million young people with the skills to lead for a lifetime. Kentucky 4-H reaches on average 200,000 young people each year.

4-H is a community of young people across Kentucky who are learning communication, civic engagement, and leadership skills.

In 4-H, we believe in the power of young people. We see that every child has valuable strengths and real influence to improve the world around us.

We believe in:

- All young people's potential;
- Developing young people who are empowered, confident, hard-working, determined, responsible and compassionate — seeing a world beyond themselves so that they have the life-long skills to succeed in college and career,
- Ensuring access and equity for all,
- The power of being a part of America's leading public universities,
- The practice of positive youth development (PYD) by creating positive learning experiences,
- Caring and trusted adult mentors who cultivate positive relationships with youth,
- Create safe, diverse and inclusive environments, and meeting young people wherever they are.



Fact Sheet: Kentucky 4-H Polices and Regulations

Definition of a 4-H Member:

“A 4-H member is a youth who participates in any educational program or activity delivered by Cooperative Extension and/or receives Cooperative Extension-based curriculum. A 4-H member includes a youth who is ‘individually enrolled’ or ‘group enrolled,’ regardless of the type of 4-H engagement/delivery method in which they are participating” (NIFA, 2022).

Membership Policy:

Any young person ages 9 through 18 may be involved in Kentucky 4-H in the county in which they live or go to school. Some counties offer Cloverbud activities for youth ages 5-8 based on the need of the county.

4-H Age:

The age of a young person participating in 4-H is the age they are on January 1 of the current program year.

Categories:

5-8 years old: Cloverbud

9-13 years old: Junior

14-18 years old: Senior

Program Year:

The 4-H Program Year in Kentucky is September 1 through August 31. The 4-H program year may include a few culminating events that occur after September 1.

Grade:

Participation in some educational events is based on grade rather than (or along with) age. Follow the specific requirements of the event or opportunity in those cases.





**FOR MORE INFORMATION
ON THE
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**4-H
TEEN
COUNCIL**
Meets on
1st Thursday
@ 6:00 PM

**4-H
SADDLE CLUB**
Meets on
3rd Mondays
@ 6:30 PM

**4-H
LIVESTOCK
CLUB**
Meets on
3rd Tuesdays
@ 6:30 PM

**4-H
SHOOTING
SPORTS CLUB**
Meets on
4th Tuesdays
@ 6:30 PM

**C1-C4 AREA
4-H Teen
Council**
Meets 1 time
EACH MONTH
@ 5:30 PM



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Sincerely,

Charles M. Comer,
Montgomery County
Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development

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. 

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