

TEAM – Together We Achieve More

Junior Leader Project Requirements

4-H Junior Leaders is not just a club—it is a 4-H project, and just like all other 4-H projects, 4-H Junior Leaders have specific activities and tasks required for completion. Completing the project cannot be done at the last minute—it takes advance planning and dedication. Many will join the club...only a few will complete. Remember, completing Junior Leaders is not a right; it is a privilege for those who work hard, work well, and work together as a **TEAM**. Even if you do not complete the project, participate and be active!

Junior Leader Project Completion Requirements for 2007-08:

- ☼ Work at least one shift at the Junior Leader Coke Stand during the fair (sign up at July meeting)
- ☼ Be an assistant during fair project judging or project release (sign up at July meeting)
- ☼ Be enrolled in a 4-H club (other than Junior Leaders) during 07-08
- ☼ Earn 150 Junior Leader Project Points—see point system below
- ☼ Turn in your Junior Leader record sheet on time. Twenty project points will be deducted from record sheets turned in after AUGUST 1, 2008. Record sheets will not be considered for completion if received after August 8, 2008. REMEMBER—You do not have to wait until August 1st to turn in your form! You can drop your form at the Extension Office as soon as your requirements are met or in the Junior Leader Coke Stand at the Fair.
- ☼ NEW - In 2007-2008, there WILL NOT be a leader evaluation. INSTEAD each Junior Leader will complete the "Doing by Learning" worksheet that is attached to the Junior Leader record sheet. The "Doing by Learning" worksheet requires each Junior Leader to list FOUR areas of knowledge that they gained throughout the year resulting from Junior Leaders, and how they have put those areas into practice. Each "Doing by Learning" form requires the signature of an adult that has witnessed the actions you described. This form must also be returned to the Extension Office by AUGUST 1, 2008.

THE POINT SYSTEM

The point system will give you an opportunity to earn points for the various activities that you participate in throughout your club year. You may begin accumulating points only after you have enrolled in the project. For 2007-08, the project year began on September 11, 2007, with the first meeting and will end August 1, 2008, when the record sheet is due to the Extension Office. Here is a summary of how you earn points:

- ☼ 20 points per scheduled Junior Leader meeting (You must sign the roster to receive credit!)
- ☼ 10 points for each 4-H Community Service project (Includes any 4-H community service project and not just Junior Leader.)
- ☼ 5 points for special Junior Leader trips/activities
- ☼ 5 points for doing a demonstration for a 4-H club meeting or Junior Leader meeting
- ☼ 20 points for one extra Coke Stand shift (Note that you may only earn points for ONE extra shift)
- ☼ Poinsettia sales—1 pt. for 1-7 plants sold; 5 pts. for 8-40 plants sold (1-5 cases); 10 pts for 41 or more plants sold (5 or more cases); highest overall seller gets 10 more pts
- ☼ 5 points for assisting with fair set-up and tear-down
- ☼ 5 points for extra project judging assisting (Remember that one time is required!)
- ☼ 10 points for being a camp counselor, mini-camp counselor, or a 4-H Ambassador
- ☼ 5 points for documented recruitment of a new member to 4-H (Requires verification on your record sheet from your 4-H leader)
- ☼ 5 points for being a 4-H club officer and/or a Junior Leader officer

While meeting attendance is not a requirement, it is the easiest way to earn points and the most beneficial way to contribute to the Junior Leader program. Junior Leaders are expected to attend and participate in most of the 11 monthly meetings. We realize that you may have school and family conflicts; however life is about choices!

You are responsible for keeping track of your points throughout the year!! In order to make record keeping easier and less confusing, we have eliminated "point verification forms". You will record your activities and points directly on your record sheet, and it is suggested that you start using it now rather than trying to remember everything at the end of the Junior Leader year. Most of your points will be verified by the sign-in sheets from meetings and activities, or can be verified by your participation in certain service projects, for example, when you serve as a 4-H Ambassador or a 4-H camp counselor. Some activities will need to be verified by your regular 4-H club leader, such as when you give a demonstration in your club or serve as a club officer; make certain that you ask a club leader to sign your record sheet in these situations.

The record sheet is the entire summary of your Junior Leader project—it is your only chance to tell what you have accomplished and learned throughout the year. You cannot complete the Junior Leader project without turning in a record sheet.

**JUNIOR LEADER RECORD SHEETS ARE DUE IN THE COUNTY
EXTENSION OFFICE BY
FRIDAY, AUGUST 1ST, 2008.**

JUNIOR LEADER AWARDS

Junior Leaders who meet the above requirements will receive premium money of \$5.00 and an achievement award. Individuals not meeting all of the above requirements will be considered "incomplete."

Outstanding Junior Leader--This award will honor one Junior Leader club member who has exemplified his or her leadership abilities throughout the year. Club members vote for the top three Junior Leaders from a list of Junior Leaders who have met completion requirements. Their record sheets are then considered by Junior Leader advisors, and one 4-H Junior Leader will be honored with an award given at the annual 4-H Achievement Banquet.

Leaders aren't born they are made. And they are made just like anything else, through hard work. And that's the price we'll have to pay to achieve that goal, or any goal.

[Vince Lombardi](#)

Pledge to the American Flag

I Pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

4-H Club 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.

4-H Motto

"To Make the Best Better"

4-H Emblem and Colors

The 4-H emblem is a four-leaf clover with the letter "H" on each leaf. The four "H's" stand for Head, Heart, Hands, and Health. The leaves of the clover are green and the "H's" are white. The white is for purity. Green is nature's most common color.

The 4-H Club Member's Creed

I believe in 4-H Club work for the opportunity it will give me to become a useful citizen.
I believe in the training of my Head for the power it will give me to think, plan, and reason.
I believe in the training of my Heart for the nobleness it will give me to become
kind, sympathetic, and true.
I believe in the training of my Hands for the ability it will give me to be helpful,
useful, and skillful.
I believe in the training of my Health for the strength it will give me to enjoy life,
to resist disease, and to work efficiently.
I believe in my world, my country, my state, and my community, and in my
responsibility for their development.
In all things, I believe, and I am willing to dedicate my efforts to their fulfillment.