



ISABELLA COUNTY 4-H JUNIOR LEADERSHIP PROJECT GUIDELINES AND PROJECT RECORD FORM

Requirements for completion of Junior Leadership Project:

1. Enroll in the 4-H junior leadership project with club leader and 4-H office.
2. Complete the self reflection form with your 4-H leader.
3. Complete two or more junior leader activities (see attached list for suggestions)
4. Display a poster (28" x 22") at the fair depicting some aspect of your project.
5. Be interviewed by a fair judge.

What is a Junior Leader?

- 4-H member who has the desire to develop leadership qualities.
- A 4-H member between the ages of 10 and 12 (4-H age) with at least 1 year experience in 4-H (not counting Cloverbud years).
- A 4-H member willing to set goals and develop a plan to reach them.
- A 4-H member needs to have at least 1 year experience in the project area they are providing leadership for (not counting Cloverbud years).

Overview of the Project

An excellent way for 4-H'ers to discover what makes a leader successful is to become involved in the junior leadership project. The project allows the junior to actively participate in program planning, become involved in leadership tasks, and help younger members learn by example.

4-H Leaders will be the advisor to the junior leader. The 4-H Leader should consider the personal goals and abilities of the junior leader plus the needs of the club and community. The 4-H leader and junior leader should jointly decide what the junior leader's responsibilities will be.

The attached list of possible junior leader activities may be of help in choosing the junior leaders responsibilities for the project.

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP PROJECTS

1. Promote 4-H by giving demonstrations and helping others give demonstrations.
2. Learn leadership for a community service learning project by assisting an adult 4-H leader with a community service project.
3. Be responsible for teaching a group of members in a specific project with 4-H leader supervision.
4. Help members with selection of their projects.
5. Be a Big Brother or Big Sister to a Cloverbud.
6. Serve as a club officer or assist club officers.
7. Recruit new 4-H leaders and members.
8. Interest 4-H drop-outs into becoming involved in 4-H again.
9. Assist a 4-H leader in planning a 4-H promotional event.
10. Assist a 4-H leader with a 4-H fundraising event.
11. Promote 4-H through newspaper articles, radio, TV, school, window displays, etc. with the approval of the MSU Extension office.
12. Assist recreation leader in planning and directing of recreational activities.

4-H JUNIOR LEADERSHIP PROJECT RECORD - _____ (year)

Name _____ Club _____

Age ____ Year in project _____ Title of project or activity _____

What were your responsibilities? _____

What skills did you use and/or what new skills did you learn?

How will you use these skills in the future?

What would you do differently next year?

I was the 4-H leader and have read this member's report

_____ DATE _____

(Signature of 4-H leader or 4-H staff)

Leader comments:
