

LAPEER COUNTY 4-H YOUTH AWARDS
NOMINATION FORM

A parent, Lapeer County 4-H Leader or 4-H'er may nominate/self-nominate a youth for any of the Lapeer County 4-H Youth Awards. **ALL NOMINATION FORMS ARE DUE FIRST MONDAY OF NOVEMBER .**

(4-H'ers Name) (Street/Road) (City) (Zip)

Birthdate_____ Parent's Name(s)_____

Age_____ Grade_____ F_____ M_____ Phone_____ Club _____

Recommended by:_____ Phone_____

PLEASE CHECK THOSE AREAS IN WHICH YOU FEEL MEMBERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED:

Read requirements to make sure members qualify for the award. ***(Please note: Members can receive Asterisked Awards (*) only once in 4-H Career.***

ALL-AROUND MEDALS:

Achievement, Agriculture, Citizenship and Leadership All Around Medals are Open to any 4-H'ers at least 13 (4-H age). Each of the All Around Medals requires that the member demonstrate knowledge, progress, and action in accomplishing their goals across multiple project areas. Members receiving any of these awards will receive a medal in recognition of their accomplishments.

__ ACHIEVEMENT: This is awarded for accomplishing meaningful and worthwhile goals within 4-H through personal effort and hard work. The member should demonstrate achievement across different project areas that take place over time. It includes winning an award such as a state award, a blue ribbon, a grand champion or best of show, but it also includes achieving personal goals such as developing your own breeding stock, excelling at all parts of a project, i.e. going from a beginning sewer to sewing a complicated garment that has expert craftsmanship, fits well, and is appropriate for the member.

__ AGRICULTURE: This is awarded for demonstrated accomplishments in agriculture as a whole, which includes farm management, cultivating the soil, producing crops, raising livestock and the preparation and marketing of the resulting products.

__ CITIZENSHIP: This is awarded for demonstrating citizenship by being a responsible, contributing member of your community at the club, neighborhood, county, state, national, and international levels. To receive this award, a member should demonstrate a strong character; a concern for the rights and welfare of others; an appreciation of diversity; an understanding of the way government and community organizations work; service to their communities to address problems and help others; the skills, knowledge, and commitment to influence decision making and public policy; an awareness and understanding of public issues, how they are connected across local, national, and global levels, and how one affects and is affected by them. Examples: be a teen member on the county 4-H Council, volunteer for PEP (therapeutic horseback riding for youth with disabilities), attend Capitol Experience, Citizenship Washington Focus, 4-H National Congress and develop projects that put their knowledge into action.

__ LEADERSHIP: This is awarded for demonstrating leadership by learning about leadership; taking responsibility to guide a group from one point to another; to help others meet their goals; to work with others to reach shared goals; and to teach leadership skills to others. Examples: plan and deliver educational programs for clubs or the county 4-H Program; mentor younger members; be a camp counselor; be a club officer; take charge of planning, organizing, doing, and evaluating a community service project, a field trip, a social outing, or other events. It involves taking responsibility for an event or program, getting others to help and following through with it.

COUNTY AWARDS:

___ **LAPEER COUNTY 4-H JUNIOR AMBASSADOR COURT:** Open to any 6-8th grader currently enrolled in 4-H and has been in 4-H for at least 2 years. Will participate in county activities and represent the Lapeer County 4-H Program.

___ **LAPEER COUNTY 4-H SENIOR AMBASSADOR COURT:** Open to any 9-11th grader currently enrolled in 4-H and has been in 4-H for at least 2 years. Will participate in county activities and represent the county 4-H program.

* ___ **MICHIGAN 4-H KEY CLUB:** 4-H'er must be 15 years of age on or before Sept. 1 of the current year, have completed 3 calendar years of 4-H work, completed 4-H projects in at least two areas, participated in three district or state events and been a teen leader.

* ___ **CAPITOL EXPERIENCE** (Lansing, MI): Any 4-H member, grade 9-12, is eligible to represent Lapeer County at a state 4-H program in citizenship, leadership and community service. **\$50 deposit, made payable to 4-H Council, is required with application; applicant will not be allowed to turn in application without deposit.** Deposit check will be returned to applicants not receiving the award.

* ___ **CITIZENSHIP WASHINGTON FOCUS:** (National 4-H Center, Washington, D.C.). Members must be an active 4-H member – 14-19 4-H age. Selection based on overall accomplishments in 4-H. Most of the cost paid by 4-H Council. Cost per delegate is \$250, plus spending money. A \$50 deposit is required with the county award form and will be applied towards the \$250 delegate's cost. **Applicant will not be allowed to turn in application without \$50 deposit (made payable to 4-H Council).** Deposit Check will be returned to applicants not receiving the award.

* ___ **NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS:** 4-H'er must be 14-18 years (4-H age) on Jan. 1 of this current 4-H year. National 4-H Congress is 4-H's national leadership development workshop beginning the day after Thanksgiving in a different city every year. This is a 5-day workshop where teens from around U.S. learn more about issues related to youth and develop skills to be citizen leaders. It includes town hall meetings, service projects, science & technology literacy and more. **\$50 deposit, made payable to 4-H Council, is required with application; applicant will not be allowed to turn in application without deposit.** Applicant receiving the award will be given that \$50 as spending money at the Congress. Deposit check will be returned to other applicants.

COUNTY PROJECT MEDALS:

__ **PROJECT MEDAL** (for accomplishment within project area): Ages 11-20, current 4-H age (*listing of project areas below*).
Please specify area: _____

Projects listed with “**BULLETS**” are Lapeer County Project Medals from which you may choose to nominate a youth. *For informational purposes, when youth choose to apply for State Awards, projects in **BOLD AND UNDERLINED** are also offered as Michigan State 4-H Awards. For example, “Beef” is the Lapeer County Project Medal and “**(Beef Science)**” would be the corresponding State 4-H Award category. This will make it easier for youth to complete a State Award Application, when they choose to do so.* A complete listing of 4-H State Award categories can be found at: http://4h.msue.msu.edu/awards_scholarships/4-h_recognition_program under the [Overview and Instructions for the Mark of Excellence and State 4-H Awards Program](#) .

- Beef (**Beef Science**)
- **Biological Sciences**
 - Aquaculture
 - Entomology/Bees
 - Judging (*Livestock*)
 - Veterinary Science
- Poultry (**Birds and Poultry Science**)
- Citizenship and Civic Education (**Civic Engagement**)
- Community Service (**Civic Engagement**)
- Communications (**Communication and Expressive Arts**)
- Demonstrations (**Communication and Expressive Arts**)
- Hobbies & Collections (**Communication and Expressive Arts**)
- Performing Arts (**Communication and Expressive Arts**)
- Photography (**Communication and Expressive Arts**)
- Public Speaking (**Communication and Expressive Arts**)
- Visual Arts (crafts) (**Communication and Expressive Arts**)
- Wood Science (**Communication and Expressive Arts**)
- Cats (**Companion Animal Sciences**)
- Dog Care & Training (**Companion Animal Sciences**)
- Pets (**Companion Animal Sciences**)
- Cavy (**Companion Animal Sciences**)
- Llamas (**Companion Animal Sciences**)
- **Consumer and Family Sciences**
 - Buymanship (**Consumer and Family Sciences**)
 - Clothing (sewing) and Textiles (**Consumer and Family Sciences**)
 - Consumer Education (**Consumer and Family Sciences**)
 - Child Care (**Consumer and Family Sciences**)
 - Family Life (**Consumer and Family Sciences**)
 - Fashion Revue (Modeling) (**Consumer and Family Sciences**)
 - Home Environment (**Consumer and Family Sciences**)
- Dairy (**Dairy Cattle Science**)
- Forestry (**Environmental Sciences**)
- Outdoor Education (environment, wildflowers) (**Environmental Sciences**)
- Wildlife & Fisheries (Pheasants, Taxidermy, Birds) (**Environmental Sciences**)
- Shooting Sports (**Environmental Sciences**)
- Horse (**Equine Sciences**)
- PEP - Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program (**Equine Science**)
- Goats (**Goat Sciences**)
- Foods/Nutrition (Food Preparation) (**Healthy Lifestyles**)
- Healthy Living (**Healthy Lifestyles**)
- Safety (**Healthy Lifestyles**)
- Camp Counselor Award (**Leadership and Personal Development**)
- Bicycle (**Leadership and Personal Development**)
- Personal Development (**Leadership and Personal Development**)
- **Plant Sciences**
 - Gardening/Horticulture (**Plant Sciences**)
 - Rabbits (**Rabbit and Cavy Science**)
 - Sheep (**Sheep Science**)
 - Swine (**Swine Science**)
- **Technology and Engineering**
 - Aerospace (**Technology and Engineering**)
 - Computer Technology (**Technology and Engineering**)
 - Electricity (**Technology and Engineering**)
 - Engines, Tractors & Field Equipment (**Technology and Engineering**)
 - Industrial Arts (**Technology and Engineering**)
 - Physical Science (**Technology and Engineering**)
 - Robotics (**Technology and Engineering**)

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NOMINATION GUIDELINES AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

ELIGIBILITY – COUNTY PROJECT MEDALS:

Project Medal Guidelines	4-H'ers Requirement
Age Eligibility	11-20, 4-H Age (age as of January 1 st of 4-H Year)
Minimum # Years' Experience in Project Area	2
Maximum # of Nominations Allowed per 4-H'er in all Project Medal Areas	Unlimited
Maximum # Project Medals awarded per Area in 4-H Career	2 (with at least 3 years in between medal awards)
# of Project Medals Awarded (all areas) allowed during 4-H Career	Unlimited

- Applicants must complete a "PROJECT MEDAL APPLICATION" for **EACH** project area, for which they are nominated.

ELIGIBILITY – ALL AROUND MEDALS:

All Around Guidelines	4-H'ers Requirement
Age Eligibility	At Least 13 (4-H age)
Minimum # Years in 4-H	2
Maximum # of Nominations Allowed per 4-H'er in any All Around areas	Unlimited
Maximum # All Around Medals awarded per Area in 4-H Career	2 (with at least 3 years in between awards)

- Applicants must complete the "COUNTY AWARD APPLICATION" to apply for All Around Medals. *If you are applying for both All Around Medals AND County Awards, only ONE application will need to be completed for both areas.*

ELIGIBILITY – COUNTY AWARDS:

County Award Guidelines	4-H'ers Requirement
Age Eligibility, Minimum # Years in 4-H, etc.	Please see individual Award Descriptions for eligibility
Maximum # of Nominations Allowed per 4-H'er in all County Award Areas	Unlimited

- Applicants must complete **ONE** "COUNTY AWARD APPLICATION" only, regardless of number of nominations.