

IMPORTANT
CHANGES

A-H Awards and Recognition 2007



THERE ARE DRAMATIC CHANGES IN THE 4-H AWARDS AND RECOGNITION PROCESS THIS YEAR! 4-H'ers, club leaders and parents are encouraged to read on and better understand the 2007 process. Here is how it works...

1. To be considered for an award a 4-H'er must submit his/her permanent record book to their club leader or parent (for Independent Members). The club leader or parent must submit records to the 4-H office no later than **4:30 pm on Friday, September 21, 2007.**
2. There are 3 categories of awards:
 - a. Achievement Certificates (based on current year's work)
 - b. Achievement Awards (based on 4-H work in specific project/program areas)
 - c. Award Trips (based on entire 4-H career)
3. An application for each category of award is enclosed with relevant guidelines (feel free to make copies as needed). The 4-H office must receive your applications by **4:30 pm on Friday, September 21, 2007.** Applications may be mailed directly to the office or submitted through your club leader. **DO NOT place applications in your permanent records!**

Special Notes:

- ❖ You will notice that the number of awards has been greatly reduced. This will simplify the annual award process and allow Achievement Day to be a celebration for all.
- ❖ Also reduced is the number of Award Trips. 4-H is only "awarding" three trips this year... NYC, Capital Days, and Agribusiness Career Conference. These are the significant trips awarded to senior 4-H members. 4-H plans to begin subsidizing these trips to make them more affordable and a "true award". **All other trips, such as Expand Your Horizons, will be offered as educational trips that ANY 4-H'er can attend.**
- ❖ Club Leaders... You will be asked to submit the same "Final Report" and "Complete Listing of Club Members" (both are needed for annual statistics). **This year clubs will be recognized for 100% Completion, Secretary's Award, and Community Service, ONLY.**

Please contact the 4-H Office with your questions, 379-9192, or email Patrick at pta2@cornell.edu.

Submit applications to:

Cornell Cooperative Extension, 4-H Program, 1894 State Highway 68, Canton, NY 13617

Good luck!!!

Award Trips 2007

Listed are the descriptions of Award Trips offered by the St. Lawrence County 4-H Youth Development Program. Only those members who apply for an award trip will be considered, so please fill out the award trip application.

❖ CAPITAL DAYS AWARD TRIP

Time of year:	Two days in early March
# Of members:	Two (2)
Age:	14 years and older
Member's cost:	Approximately \$190.00

Here's a rare chance to meet with our New York senators and assemblypersons, and to share your opinions on issues with them. This is a two-day annual state 4-H event, which is held in Albany. The trip includes tours of the Capital, NY State Museum, presentations by government representatives, breakfast with our state representatives.

❖ NEW YORK CITY HONOR AWARD TRIP

Time of year:	Early December
# Of members:	Two (2)
Age:	16 years and older
Member's cost:	Approximately \$390.00

Spend four exciting days in the Big Apple. Sights to be seen include such things as the Statute of Liberty, United Nations, Lincoln Center, Stock Exchange, Radio City Music Hall, and a Broadway Play.

❖ AGRIBUSINESS CAREER CONFERENCE (ABC) AWARD TRIP

Time of year:	Late October/early November
# Of members:	Two (2) or more
Age:	14 years and older
Member's Cost:	Approximately \$80-90.00

Discover the exciting and challenging careers in the field of agriculture on this two-day trip. You will have the opportunity to visit businesses such as a Vet Clinic, vegetable farm, nursery and a dairy. Also includes a visit to SUNY Cobleskill to meet students and faculty to learn what a two & four year college program has to offer.

4-H Award Trip Application

Due to 4-H Office by **Friday, September 21, 2007 - 4:30 p.m.**

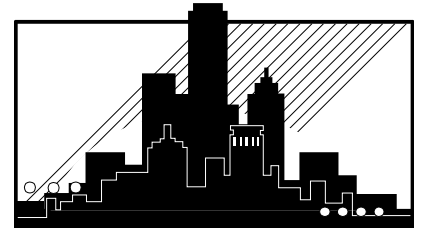
All 4-H'ers interested in being considered for Award Trips are requested to complete this form.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____
4-H Club: _____ Year in School: _____
Years as a Cloverbud: _____ Years in 4-H: _____

TRIP APPLYING FOR: (PLEASE CHECK ✓)

- _____ 1. Capital Days (ages 14 and up)
_____ 2. New York City's Honor Award (ages 16 and up)
_____ 3. Agribusiness Career Conference (ages 14 and up)

NOTE: You may apply for all, but will only be chosen for one.



- ❖ Please attach an essay that shares, in your own words, how being in 4-H has influenced you as a person. Why are you applying for this award trip? What do you feel you would gain from this trip and how would it expand your involvement in 4-H? You may draw upon the highlights of your entire 4-H career to develop your essay.
- ❖ You may ask your CLUB LEADER to submit a brief statement explaining why you should be considered for this trip(s). The leader statement is optional and should be sent to the 4-H office by the leader, separate from the application.