

4-H Achievement Award Application

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

All 4-H'ers interested in being considered for an Achievement Award 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: _____

AWARD APPLYING FOR: (PLEASE CHECK ✓)

1. Spencer Ells Sheep Award

2. Jennifer Seavey Public Speaking Award

3. Livestock Achiever Award*

4. Dairy Achiever Award

5. Equine Achiever Award ____ Jr. ____ Sr.

6. Charles and Edith Wight Junior Leadership Award

7. Bea Sherburne Community Service Award (Individual)

8. Honeysuckles Arts and Crafts Award

9. Home Economics Award



* Livestock includes beef, swine, goat, rabbit, poultry, rabbit, and dog.

*NOTE: You may apply for multiple awards, but **must** submit a separate application for each.*

❖ Please attach a response to the following four questions. Your response should be based on both the current project year AND your entire 4-H tenure.

1. What were your goals in this project area? (What did you want to learn?)
2. Describe your involvement in this project area. (What have you done?)
3. What did you learn and how does it apply to your life?
4. What previous achievements or distinctions have you earned in this project area?

❖ You may ask your CLUB LEADER to submit a brief statement explaining why you should be considered for this Achievement Award. The leader statement is optional and should be sent to the 4-H office by the leader, separate from the application.

4-H Achievement Certificate Guidelines

How to apply:

- 4-H'ers must complete the 4-H Achievement Certificate Application and return it to the 4-H Office by September 21, 2007.
- When selecting level of achievement, base your age as of January 1st of the 4-H year.
- Activities conducted may not be submitted in multiple categories. For instance, the same activity cannot be counted as an educational event and a leadership project.
- 4-H'ers seeking a Pearl or Diamond Certificate must submit a proposed plan of work to the 4-H Youth Development Program no later than June of the 4-H year.

Levels:

Cloverbuds (5-8 Years of Age):

A different certificate will be provided each year that a member completes:

- A Cloverbud Project Record
- 6 Cloverbud Projects
- 2 hours of Community Service

8-12 Years of Age:

Will receive a **Bronze Certificate** when they complete/participate in:

- A Project Record (including "My 4-H Story")
- 1 Project
- 5 hours of Community Service
- 2 Educational Events

Will receive a **Silver Certificate** when they complete/participate in:

- A Project Record (including "My 4-H Story")
- 2 Projects
- 10 hours of Community Service
- 3 Educational Events

Will receive a **Gold Certificate** when they complete/participate in:

- A project record (including "My 4-H Story")
- 3 Projects (listed on back of form)
- 15 hours of Community Service
- 4 Educational Events

13 – 19 Years of Age:

Will receive a **Emerald Certificate** when they complete/participate in:

- A Project Record (including “My 4-H Story)
- 4 Projects
- 15 hours of Community Service
- 4 Educational Events
- 2 Leadership Projects (with at least one being the primary leader of a club project)
- Promote their 4-H Club within the community

Will receive a **Ruby Certificate** when they complete/participate in:

- A Project Record (including “My 4-H Story)
- 2 Projects
- Lead a 4-H Project with **another** 4-H Club or organization
- Plan, promote and implement a club community service project
- 1 additional leadership project
- 15 hours of Community Service
- 4 Educational Events

16 – 19 Years of Age:

Will receive a **Pearl Certificate** when they complete/participate in:

- A Project Record (including “My 4-H Story”)
- Lead a 4-H Project with two other 4-H Clubs or organization
- Developed a program or educational resource that will carry on or continue to be used in the future.
- 10 hours of Community Service
- 2 projects
- 2 Educational Events
- Promote their 4-H Club throughout St. Lawrence County
- Submit a proposed plan of work to the 4-H Youth Development Program no later than June of the 4-H year.

Will receive a **Diamond Certificate** when they complete/participate in:

- A Project Record (including “My 4-H Story)
- Lead a 4-H Project with two other 4-H Clubs or outside organizations
- Plan, promote, and implement a significant countywide community service project, in which other 4-H clubs or outside organizations would participate
- 2 Educational Events
- Promote the 4-H Club Program throughout St. Lawrence County
- Submit a proposed plan of work to the 4-H Youth Development Program no later than June of the 4-H year.

4-H Achievement Certificates

Goals:

- Provide clear and consistent guidelines on which 4-H'ers can strive for recognition,
- Provide appropriate challenges to 4-H'ers based on age and experience.

Definitions:

4-H Project: A unit of work, which may consist of a series of learning experiences, designed to help shape the character of 4-H youth and teach life long skills. You may request the 4-H Project List from the office to see examples is available.

4-H Cloverbud Project: Similar to a 4-H project, however it is usually a short-term experience emphasizing socialization and involvement.

4-H Educational Event: An event that provides an added and unique educational experience. Examples include, but are not limited to the following:

Award Trips	Educational Trips	Officer's Training
Achievement Day	Holiday Arrangements Contest	Dairy Bowl Contest
Public Presentations	Clothing Review	Commentary Tryouts
Dairy Judging	Horse Communications	Horse Bowl
County Fair	Hammond Fair	NYS Fair
Fundraising Projects	4-H Camp Overlook	Dairy Camp
Showmanship Clinics	4-H SUNY Canton Vet Science	Livestock Clinics
Farm Day Camp	4-H School Break Specials	

4-H Community Service: Providing *assistance* that benefits someone outside of the member's family and club.

4-H Leadership Project: Providing direction and guidance to others. Examples include, but are not limited to the following:

Serving as a Teen Evaluator at an Educational Event
Serving as a Teen Assistant/Leader/Superintendent at an Educational Event
Serving as an Officer in a 4-H Club or Teen Council
Leading a project within their 4-H Club or another 4-H Club
Assisting another project leader within their 4-H Club
Serving on a Cooperative Extension Advisory Committee
Serving as a 4-H Camp Overlook Counselor

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1. Cloverbud (5-8 years of age)

2. Bronze (8-12 years of age)

3. Silver (8-12 years of age)

4. Gold (8-12 years of age)

5. Emerald (13-19 years of age)

6. Ruby (13-19 years of age)

7. Pearl (16-19 years of age)

8. Diamond (16-19 years of age)



Was a project record (including "My 4-H Story") completed? _____ Yes _____ No
Project Records must be submitted to your club leader.

Did you complete the minimum number of projects required for this award? _____ Yes _____ No
Please list below:

Did you complete the minimum hours of community service? _____ Yes _____ No
Please list below:

Did you attend the minimum number of educational events? _____ Yes _____ No
Please list below:

Did you complete the minimum number of leadership projects? _____ N/A _____ Yes _____ No
Please list below:

Did you plan, promote and implement a club community service project? Describe below: _____ N/A _____ Yes _____ No

PEARL ONLY: Did you develop a program or educational resource? List title below and include description in your permanent record. _____ N/A _____ Yes _____ No

DIAMOND ONLY: Did you plan, promote and implement a significant countywide community service project? List title below and include description in your permanent record. _____ N/A _____ Yes _____ No

4-H'er & Leader/Parent Statement: I attest to the best of my ability that this information is true and correct.

4-H Member's Signature: _____

Leader/Parent's Signature: _____