

PAIO PINTO COUNTY 4-H 2018-2019 Family Handbook



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WELCOME TO THE PALO PINTO COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM!

We are so glad that you have chosen to be part of the largest non-formal youth education organization in the United States! Over 5.6 million youth participate in 4-H each year to become self-motivated, productive and contributing citizens.

4-H is designed to be a family affair, so 4-H parents are encouraged to get involved in the 4-H experience. Ways that 4-H parents can contribute range from serving as a project leader to providing transportation to activities, or even supplying refreshments for meetings or special events. 4-H parents are also needed to supervise 4-H activities.

Palo Pinto County has an outstanding group of dedicated adult volunteer leaders as well as a superb group of motivated 4-H members. We welcome your family into our Palo Pinto County 4-H family!

Please read through your Palo Pinto County 4-H Handbook to answer any questions you may have about the 4-H program. This handbook is designed as a reference tool for you throughout the 4-H year. Please refer to the 4-H newsletter as you set your goals for participation in 4-H events and contests.

Best wishes for a fulfilling year in 4-H! We look forward to seeing you at events throughout the year.

Sincerely,



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About 4-H

Motto

“To Make the Best Better”

Emblem

The 4-H emblem is the four-leaf clover with the letter “H” on each leaf, standing for head, heart, hands and health. The 4-H Clover and name are protected under 18U.S.C. 707. Permission is required to duplicate it.

Colors

The 4-H colors are green and white. Green symbolizes nature’s most common color and represents life, springtime and youth. White symbolizes purity.

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 Year

September 1 to August 31

Age Requirements

Youth may participate in 4-H year from September 1st of grade three through August 31st following completion of grade twelve, with these age restrictions:

- Minimum age - 8 (in addition to being in the 3rd grade)
- Maximum age - 18 (as of August 31, 2018)

Texas 4-H Age Categories for project activity purposes are:

Junior = Grades 3, 4, and 5
Intermediate = Grades 6, 7 and 8
Senior = Grades 9-12

4-H Council

Members of the Palo Pinto County 4-H Council plan and coordinate 4-H activities in the county. The County Council also promotes district and state level 4-H activities. It is comprised of 4-H members from each of the various 4-H clubs in the County. Clubs are encouraged to have two council delegates who will attend the County 4-H Council meetings. Typically, a 4-H member is elected into the position of council delegate and represents his or her club at the County 4-H Council meetings. In most cases, the president of the 4-H club also serves as a delegate to the County 4-H Council. In addition to the club council delegates and presidents, membership to the council is open to all 4-H youth.

The Palo Pinto County 4-H Council serves as a communication channel. Council delegates represent their club and relay information and ideas from their club to the council. The council delegates also relay information from the council to their club to keep the members up to date on county-wide activities and events.

Ten easy steps to getting the most out of 4-H:

Step 1 - Youth Complete Online or Paper Enrollment Form

Step 2 - Parents Complete Online or Paper Enrollment Form

Step 3 – Attend Monthly 4-H Meetings

Step 4 - Get Involved

Step 5 - Start a Project

Step 6 - Complete a Project

Step 7 - Participate in Activities

Step 8 - Keep Records

Step 9 - Share Information

Step 10 - Help Others

Step 1 - Youth Complete Online or Paper Enrollment

Enrollment Time

On September 1st each year, all former, new 4-H members, and volunteer leaders must re-enroll for the current year. Enrollment stays current from September 1st through August 31st.

Enrolling in 4-H

To enroll in a Texas 4-H club, you must fill out an enrollment form and return it, with the \$20.00 fee to your club manager. Or you may register online using the 4-H Connect management system. You will need a computer, internet access, and a Mozilla web browser.



****Returning Members**

Just click "Login to 4-H Connect." *Call the Extension office at 940-659-1228 to obtain a temporary password if you are having trouble logging in to your family profile.*

- 1) Click the "EDIT" button beside each youth/adult profile, review all information for correct data, select projects, activities, and leadership roles and click ENROLL FOR 2018-2019.
- 2) THEN, you will go through each screen of the person you are enrolling. Please check and be sure the information is complete and click, continue, on each screen until you get to the last screen.
- 3) If you have reviewed everything and all is updated and correct, please click Submit Enrollment and then wait on our office to accept your enrollment.

****New Members:**

1. Open your Mozilla internet browser. If you do not have Mozilla, please download it free from www.mozilla.com.
2. Go to <https://texas.4honline.com>.
3. Click "I need to setup a profile."
4. Select your county from the drop down menu.
5. Fill in the fields marked Email, Confirm Email, and Last Name and create a password you will remember.
6. Select "Family" on the Role drop down menu.
7. Click "Create Login."
8. Follow the on-screen prompts to register your family and all family members involved in a 4-H club as a member or volunteer (including adults). Fields marked in bold are required.
9. Register each member in all projects or groups they participate in or wish to join in the future.
10. If you are a youth, your registration will be submitted to your county extension office, where an agent will review your application. If you have to make any corrections, they will contact you by e-mail. Once complete and correct, the agent will approve your enrollment.

****Tip: Do not hit your browser's "Back" button while within the 4-H Connect system!***

Questions about 4-H Connect? Contact your County Extension Office at 940-659-1228, or visit the help page on the State 4-H website: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/enroll/support/index_connecthelp.php.

Step 2 - Parents Complete Online or Paper Enrollment

Same as previous page, except as noted in #10.

10. If you are an adult volunteer, your registration will be sent to the Youth Protection Standards Office for screening if you have not been screened, or are due for your three year review. Once you are screened and approved, your registration will be returned back to your county extension office, where an agent will review and accept your application.

Step 3-4 - Attend Monthly 4-H Meetings & Get Involved



As a Member or Leader, you need to get involved in your local club; attend monthly meetings, volunteer for committees, and stay informed of what is going on in your club. Learn what is going on throughout the County, District and State by reading the Palo Pinto County 4-H Handbook, 4-H Newsletters, and Palo Pinto County 4-H Emails. Also, you can stay in the loop by liking Palo Pinto County 4-H on Facebook or by joining Palo Pinto County 4-H on Remind (receive text message reminders) and browse the 4-H pages on the Palo Pinto County Extension website:

<https://palopinto.agrilife.org>

The following are the 5 County 4-H Clubs in Palo Pinto County and their meeting information:

★ Club Meeting Information ★

- **Santo 4-H Club meets every 2nd Monday of each month in the Santo School Cafeteria at 6:00 p.m.**
- **Mineral Wells 4-H Club meets every 2nd Monday of the month at the Baptist Association Building (1300 S.W. 4th Ave., Mineral Wells) at 7:00 p.m.**
- **Sturdivant 4-H Club meets every 2nd Monday of the month at the EXPO building in Mineral Wells at 6:00 p.m.**
- **Graford 4-H Club meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Graford Ag. Building at 6:00 p.m.**
- **Gordon 4-H Club meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Gordon School Cafeteria at 6:00 p.m.**



Sign up for important updates from Palo Pinto Co. 4H.

Get information for **PP County 4H** right on your phone—not on handouts.

Pick a way to receive messages for **PP County 4H**:

- A** If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/ppco

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



- B** If you **don't** have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message **@ppco** to the number **81010**.

If you're having trouble with **81010**, try texting **@ppco** to **(817) 405-0696**.



Don't have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/ppco on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.

“LIKE” Palo Pinto County 4-H on Facebook to get information about County, District, and State 4-H contests and other activities.



<https://www.facebook.com/palopintoco4h>



Step 5 - Start a Project

On the 4-H Connect Enrollment pages or on the paper form, 4-H members are asked to select projects of interest to them. When you start your 4-H experience, you may want to select one or two projects. The more years you are in 4-H, the more projects you can usually handle. 4-H projects can be conducted throughout the 4-H year (September 1-August 31). Certain projects have special activities or contests, so you need to begin some projects at specific times during the year. After you select your projects, contact your Club Manager or County Extension office if you have any questions.

Step 6 - Complete a Project

After you have selected your project you are ready to start gaining information and having fun learning about your project. In 4-H, you are asked to do a minimum of six learning experiences to complete a project. Learning experiences will vary from project to project, such as meetings with other 4-H'ers and Leaders, going on tours, attending workshops or showmanship clinics, reading publications or surfing the Internet. Many 4-H'ers work on projects with their parents, grandparents or other family members, while other 4-H'ers work on projects with friends. Working through a project from start to finish helps a 4-H member gain skills in carrying out responsibilities, as well as setting and completing goals.

Project Record Form

On the following pages, you will find a Project Record Form. It is helpful to keep records of any income or expenses related to your project as well as any leadership roles you may have had in 4-H or outside of 4-H. Any volunteer activities should be recorded here too, even if they are not 4-H related. Keeping a good record of all 4-H activities and non-4-H activities will help you complete your Record Book that will be due in June. It is not required that every member complete a project record form or record book, however, it is recommended; especially if the member plans to apply for a 4-H Opportunity Scholarship if he/she is eligible as a senior member. (For more information on a 4-H Opportunity Scholarship, call the extension office or visit the Texas 4-H website <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu>)

Step 7 - Participate in Activities

Activities are contests or opportunities for 4-H members to demonstrate the skills and knowledge they have gained through their project work. Some of the activities allow a team of 4-H'ers to prepare a presentation, while other activities are for individual contest entry.

Participating in 4-H activities helps the member gain public speaking skills and presentation skills that will help them throughout their life. Other activities available to 4-H'ers are a variety of camps and workshops conducted mainly in the summer.

SCHOOL ABSENCES AND PARTICIPATION IN 4-H COMPETITIVE ACTIVITIES

4-H has been recognized by the Texas Education Agency as a legitimate school-related extracurricular organization. 4-H members may apply for excused absences in order to participate in 4-H activities. It is the responsibility of the local school district to determine whether or not any student is eligible and may be excused from classes to participate in any extracurricular event or activity. 4-H members are not automatically excused upon request, but are subject to all regulations of the Texas Education Agency and their local school district as they may apply to extracurricular participation.

Some of the major activities:

Fashion Shows	Horse Shows	Talks or Method
Fashion Storyboard	Livestock Shows	Demonstrations &
Food Shows	Photography Contests	Quiz Bowls
Food Challenge	Judging Contests	
Share the Fun	Shooting Sports	

******Camps – Be sure to notify your County Extension office if you are interested in going to camp!!***

County Camp, July	(all ages)*** <u>Must contact County Extension Office</u>
Prime Time, July	(9-13 year olds)
Jr. Leadership Lab, Oct./Nov.	(11-13 year olds)
Spectra, July	(14-18 year olds)
Leadership Lab, June	(14-18 year olds)
Teen Retreat, January	(13-19 year olds)



Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form

Project: _____ Year: _____

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone Number: _____

Name of 4-H Club: _____

Grade: _____ Years in 4-H (include this year): _____ Years in Project (include this year): _____

Project Plans & Goals

What do you want to learn or do in your project this year?	Date Accomplished

Summary of Activities and Accomplishments

Record what you did and learned in this project as you go through the year. Be specific by telling how many and what items were made or selected, animals fed and cared for, decisions, plans carried out, etc.

Project Summary

What was your project and what did you learn?

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Activities and Experiences

List your activities and experiences related to your 4-H project. Examples: clinics, workshops, tours, exhibits, shows, project meetings, contests, judging activities, talks, etc.

Awards and Recognition

List any awards or recognition that you received. Examples: medals, ribbons, trips, plaques, scholarships, etc.

Leadership

List what you did to help others. Explain briefly what you did, include number of people taught and involved.

List 4-H community service or service learning projects that you participated in on your own or as a group member.

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Expenses – The items you pay for to support your project.

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Optional Animal Weight Record

Date	Animal Name or Number	Animal Name or Number	Animal Name or Number	Animal Name or Number	Animal Name or Number
	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:
	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:
	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:
	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:
	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:
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	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:	Weight:

Optional Animal Health Record

Date	Animal Name or Number	Condition/Problem	Treatment

4-H Member Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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Palo Pinto County 4-H Livestock Projects Important Dates

<u>LIVESTOCK</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Market Steers	Validation & County Entries Due, 4 - 7pm Expo Building.....	6/18/18
Lamb.....	Validation & County Entries Due, 4 - 7pm Expo Building.....	10/15/18
Goats	Validation & County Entries Due, 4 - 7pm Expo Building.....	10/15/18
Broilers.....	Chick Order & County Entries Due, 4 - 7pm Expo Building.....	10/15/18
Heifer Validation will be at the Expo Center at <u>7:00 pm AFTER Lamb & Goats</u>10/15/18		
Heifer entries for the county show will be done at this time too (if not previously done in June)		
Swine.....	at the Graford Stock Show.....Validation & County Entries.....	11/10/18
Swine...4:00pm.....	at the MW Ag. Barn at Fort Wolters....Validation & County Entries.....	11/14/18
Swine.....4:00pm.....	at the Gordon Ag. Barn.....Validation & County Entries.....	11/15/18
Swine.....4:00pm.....	at the Santo Ag. Barn.....Validation & County Entries.....	11/19/18
Market Rabbits....	EXPO Building in MW.....Validation & County Entries Due.....	12/9/18
Market Rabbits.....	Rabbit Workshops.....	TBA
Cattle, Swine, Sheep, & Goats.....	Showmanship Clinic PPCLA Expo Center.....	10/21/18
Palo Pinto County Fair & Livestock Show.....		January 9-11, 2019

Livestock Premium Sale.....January 12, 2019

The annual Palo Pinto County & Livestock Show will be held **January 9-11, 2019** at the PPCLA Expo Center in Mineral Wells. Judging will include livestock projects, Ag. mechanics and horticulture projects. The livestock premium sale will be held on **Saturday, January 12, 2019**.

Additional Information

- All animals that will be shown at the County Show are required to attend validation on the dates above or they will not be allowed to show.
- All exhibitors must be a regularly enrolled member of a 4-H and/or FFA member in Palo Pinto County to be eligible to show. That means that your dues have been paid for the current year, and you have active member status.
- Exhibitors who are validating their animals for Major Shows (Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Houston, San Angelo, or Austin) must have a parent or guardian at validation to sign paperwork. Also, ALL exhibitors who will be showing at a major show must re-do their Quality Counts Training with the updated system. The link for the QC site is: <https://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/qcregister.aspx>

Palo Pinto County Fair

The Palo Pinto County Fair will be held January 10-11, 2018 at the Sheriff Posse Building in Mineral Wells. The fair is open to Palo Pinto County residents of all ages and students enrolled in Palo Pinto County schools. (You do not have to be a 4-H member to enter the fair) There are five different age groups who can have entries in the following divisions:

- Art
- Photography
- Needlework, Quilting & Sewing
- Hobbies & Crafts
- Baked Goods & Candy
- Canned Goods
- Kiddies Department
- Shop & Tack

****Complete rules will be available by mid-October. Visit our website at <http://palopinto.agrilife.org>

Palo Pinto County Annual Awards Banquet

In addition to recognition at Palo Pinto County 4-H Contests, 4-H members are also recognized for their accomplishments at the annual Palo Pinto County 4-H Achievement Banquet held in the late summer. The applications for these awards are available in fillable form on our county website or you can call the Extension office & we can mail you an application. Throughout the year, members can work toward meeting the criteria outlined on the award applications, then, they must submit the application to the Extension office by the June deadline to be eligible for the award. The awards are briefly described here:

1) RECORD BOOK AWARDS - Record Book awards are presented based on what 4-Hers report in their 4-H Record Book. Committees judge or evaluate project work and achievement, leadership, personal growth and development by reading the record books.

2) ROOKIE AWARDS - A 4-H member who has completed his or her first year of membership, regardless of age, is eligible for the Rookie Award.

3) 4-H HONOR ROLL - Available to Junior members, grades 3rd – 5th, who meet the established criteria.

4) 4-H ALL STAR - Available to Intermediate members, grades 6th – 8th who meet the established criteria.

5) 4-H LETTERMAN - Available to Senior members, grades 9th – 12th who meet the established criteria.

*****These Criteria-based award applications are included in the back of the handbook.**

6) I DARE YOU AWARD - This award is offered as recognition of excellence in character, well-balanced personal development and demonstrated leadership. Palo Pinto County will give one award to a deserving, Senior age, 4-H Member.

7) GOLD STAR AWARD - The Gold Star Award is the most sought-after 4-H award at the county level. It is awarded each year to two (2) outstanding, Senior 4-H members in Palo Pinto County who have submitted a complete record book. Youth will have to be a sophomore or higher to receive this award. Most youth who qualify may apply at the end of their freshman year. The award is given based on their activities and participation throughout their entire 4-H career.

Step 7 - Keep Records

When you spend time working on a project, you need to record or take notes and pictures to track what you learn through your progress. Palo Pinto County 4-H'ers have the chance to complete a **Record Book** for recognition at the Annual 4-H Awards Banquet, and to be considered for 4-H awards.

4-H Record Books are a great way for 4-Hers to keep records of their progress on their project! In constructing a 4-H

Record Book, members organize information about their participation and accomplishments in all 4-H projects and activities. Any project can be completed using a 4-H Record Book. Record books are judged at county, district, and state levels at the end of the project year.

Step 8 - Share Information

As a 4-H member, you learn to share with others the information you gain through your project experience.

Step 9 - Help Others

The 4-H experience includes helping others. We call our 4-H helping, Community Service. This is something that you do for a non-4-H audience without pay or compensation.

Step 10 - Promote 4-H



TSC Paper Clover Campaign

Tractor Supply stores in communities across the country have long supported 4-H clubs, and now, Tractor Supply Co. has entered into an official partnership with the National 4-H Council as your source for 4-H project supplies.

This means that Tractor Supply will help raise money for county 4-H programs, as with the Paper Clover Campaign, a national in-store fundraiser that benefits state and local 4-H programming. Our Mineral Wells Tractor Supply store does a great job of supporting our Palo Pinto County 4-H Clubs. Members have an opportunity to participate in the "Paper Clover Campaign" each fall and spring. The Fall 2018 campaign will be from October 3, 2018 to October 14, 2018. If you would like to help, please call the Palo Pinto County Extension office at 940-659-1228.



Fill the Jar for United Way

Another opportunity for 4-Hers to help others is to "fill the jar" for United Way at your club meetings. United Way of Palo Pinto County has been a huge supporter of Palo Pinto County 4-H clubs for many years. This is a community service opportunity for 4-H members to give back. Clubs throughout the county will be collecting money for United Way during October.

Palo Pinto County 4-H Rookie Award Application

Age Requirement: Any age first year 4-H member.

Award may be received once and only during the first year of membership.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip: _____

4-H Club: _____

The following four requirements must be met.

Requirement	Explanation	Initial	Date
1. Select one project.	Participate in a minimum of one project.		
2. Complete a Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form or submit a complete 4-H Recordbook.	Record keeping should be an important part of a member's project experience. A member may choose to submit the Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form or a complete 4-H Recordbook to meet this requirement. Portions of the Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form may not apply to some projects. If that is the case, those parts do not need to be completed. The Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form is available at http://palopinto.agrilife.org or by contacting the Extension office at 940-659-1228.		
3. Give a report to a 4-H Leader on the project.	Tell a 4-H Leader (other than your parent) about what you have done in your project.		
4. Give a demonstration, talk or prepare an exhibit on the project.	Prepare a presentation or exhibit about your project. Participating in a livestock show, food show or other 4-H Contest will also meet this requirement.		

Signature of 4-H Member _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Gaurdian _____ Date _____

Signature of Club Manager or Project Leader _____ Date _____

Updated September 1, 2015

Palo Pinto County 4-H Honor Roll Award Application

Eligibility: 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade 4-H Members
Award may be received only once.

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip: _____

4-H Club: _____

Requirements may be completed within the time that a member is the 3rd, 4th or 5th grades and do not all have to be completed during the same year. The first five numbered items are required in addition to five of the six items that are not numbered. Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate when item was completed.

Requirement	Explanation	3 rd Grade	4 th Grade	5 th Grade
1. Select one project.	Participate in a minimum of one project.			
2. Complete a Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form or submit a complete 4-H Recordbook.	Record keeping should be an important part of a member's project experience. A member may choose to submit the Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form or a complete 4-H Recordbook to meet this requirement. Portions of the Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form may not apply to some projects. If that is the case, those parts do not need to be completed. The Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form is available at http://palopinto.agrilife.org or by contacting the Extension office at 940-659-1228.			
3. Give a report to a 4-H Leader on the project.	Tell a 4-H Leader (other than your parent) about what you have done in your project.			
4. Give a demonstration, talk or prepare an exhibit on the project.	Prepare a presentation or exhibit about your project. Participating in a livestock show, food show or other 4-H Contest will also meet this requirement.			
5. Attend 2/3 of regular club meetings.	Member must be present at 2/3 of regular club meetings. No excused absences.			
Member must complete five of the six items below.				
Serve on committee or as an elected officer.	Includes offices or committees served on at the club or county level.			
Participate in a 4-H Roundup event on the county or district level.	Includes any event listed in the current Roundup guide. Examples: Food Challenge, Quiz Bowls, Fashion Show, Educational Presentations, Judging Contests.			
Participate in a county-wide activity.	Can include any event that was open to all 4-H'ers in the county.			

Bring a parent/guardian to 50% of regular club meetings.	Parent/guardian needs to attend at least 50% of regular club meetings.			
Help with a community service project.	Take an active role in any service project.			
Turn in a complete 4-H Recordbook.	Submit a complete 4-H recordbook to the Extension office by the required due date (usually June).			

Signature of 4-H Member _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Gaurdian _____ Date _____

Signature of Club Manager or Project Leader _____ Date _____

Updated September 1, 2015

Palo Pinto County 4-H All Star Award Application

Eligibility: 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade 4-H Members
Award may be received only once.

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip: _____

4-H Club: _____

Requirements may be completed within the time that a member is the 6th, 7th or 8th grades and do not all have to be completed during the same year. The first four numbered items are required in addition to ten of the twelve items that are not numbered. Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate when item was completed.

Requirement	Explanation	6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
1. Select two different projects.	Participate in a minimum of two projects.			
2. Complete a Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form for both projects or submit a complete 4-H Recordbook.	Record keeping should be an important part of a member's project experience. A member may choose to submit the Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form or a complete 4-H Recordbook to meet this requirement. Portions of the Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form may not apply to some projects. If that is the case, those parts do not need to be completed. The Palo Pinto County 4-H Project Record Form is available at http://palopinto.agrilife.org or by contacting the Extension office at 940-659-1228.			
3. Give a demonstration, talk or prepare an exhibit on the project.	Prepare a presentation or exhibit about your project. Participating in a livestock show, food show or other 4-H contest will also meet this requirement.			
4. Attend 2/3 of regular club meetings.	Member must be present at 2/3 of regular club meetings. No excused absences.			
Member must also complete ten of the twelve items below.				
Serve on committee or as an elected officer.	Includes offices or committees served on at project group, club or county level.			
Participate in a 4-H Roundup event on the county or district level.	Includes any event listed in the current Roundup guide. Examples: Food Challenge, Quiz Bowls, Fashion Show, Educational Presentations, Judging Contests.			
Participate in two county-wide activities.	Can include any events that were open to all 4-H'ers in the county.			

Bring a parent/guardian to 50% of regular club meetings.	Parent/guardian needs to attend at least 50% of regular club meetings.			
Help with a community service project.	Take an active role in any service project.			
Turn in a complete 4-H Recordbook.	Submit a complete 4-H recordbook to the Extension office by the required due date (usually June).			
Participate in a 4-H promotion activity.	Participate or organize any activity that promotes 4-H.			
Recruit new 4-H members.	Recruit one or more new 4-H members.			
Assist with a county-wide activity.	Include any county-wide activity that you assisted with or were assigned a duty.			
Represent county at a district/state 4-H event.	Events can include competitive events, training meetings, camps, etc.			
Assist with three project group or club activities.	May include regular club meetings, tours, programs, etc.			
Participate in a school or community activity.	Includes involvement in other organizations or activities outside of 4-H.			

Signature of 4-H Member _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Gaurdian _____ Date _____

Signature of Club Manager or Project Leader _____ Date _____

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Palo Pinto County 4-H Letterman Award Application

Eligibility: 9th, 10, 11th or 12th Grade 4-H Members

Award may be received only once.

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip: _____

4-H Club: _____

Requirements may be completed within the time that a member is the 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grades and do not all have to be completed during the same year. The first two numbered items are required in addition to twelve of the fourteen items that are not numbered. Check the appropriate box/boxes to indicate when item was completed.

Requirement	Explanation	9 th Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12 th Grade
1. Select three different projects.	Participate in a minimum of three different projects and keep appropriate records.				
2. Attend 2/3 of regular club meetings.	Member must be present at 2/3 of regular club meetings. No excused absences.				
Member must also complete twelve of the fourteen items below.					
Participate in a 4-H Roundup event on the county or district level.	Includes any event listed in the current Roundup guide. Examples: Food Challenge, Quiz Bowls, Fashion Show, Educational Presentations, Judging Contests.				
Participate in a contest or event on the state level.	Can include Roundup events such as Food Challenge, Quiz Bowls, Fashion Show, Educational Presentations, Judging Contests, Etc. Major livestock shows as well as other state level 4-H events are also included.				
Turn in a complete 4-H Recordbook.	Submit a complete 4-H Recordbook to the Extension office by the required due date (usually June).				
Research college/career opportunities.	Activities that have helped you learn more about careers or the necessary education to enter a career. Examples of activities include: interviews, tours, job shadowing, research, mentoring, work experience, skill development, course work, etc.				
Participate in a District, State or National Leadership Training.	District Leader Lab participation will meet this requirement as well as other state level events.				
Serve on committee or as an elected officer.	Includes offices or committees served on at project group, club or county level.				

Serve on a county 4-H committee.	Serve as an active member on any county 4-H committee. Can include 4-H Council or other committees.				
Serve as a Junior or Teen Leader or assist with providing a learning experience for other 4-H members.	Assist leader or provide primary leadership for a project group, club or activity. Includes leadership provided alone or as part of a group.				
Assist in conducting a county 4-H activity or program.	Includes any county-wide event or activity that you assisted with or were assigned a duty.				
Participate in a community service project.	Community service or service learning projects which might include: clean ups, collections, repairs, construction, care packets, visitations, education, donations, or presentations. Participate, either as individual or group member.				
Provide Leadership to a community service project.	Community service or service learning projects which might include: clean ups, collections, repairs, construction, care packets, visitations, education, donations, or presentations. Plan, either as individual, group or committee member and carry out community service project.				
Represent 4-H to other groups.	Share information about 4-H with other organizations or groups.				
Participate in 4-H promotion activities.	Can include activities that promote 4-H through the use of: promotional exhibits, news articles, interviews on radio/TV, social media, direct contacts, etc.				
Participate in a school or community activity.	Includes involvement in other organizations or activities outside of 4-H.				

Signature of 4-H Member _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Gaurdian _____ Date _____

Signature of Club Manager or Project Leader _____ Date _____

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