



DODGE COUNTY 4-H Year 2005 Enrollment Guide

PROJECT MATERIALS

**Most projects are now DIVIDED into 3 LEVELS.
Each LEVEL is designed to last 3-4 Project YEARS!**

"An EEO/Affirmative Action employer, UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA requirements.

Requests for reasonable accommodation for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed.

Please make such requests as early as possible by contacting the Dodge County Office 920/386-3790 so proper arrangements can be made."

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Welcome to Dodge County 4-H

Head, Heart, Hands and Health represent concepts as meaningful today as they were over 80 years ago when 4-H was founded in Wisconsin.

HEAD Building the Life Skills of making decisions and setting goals
HEART Building Teamwork and learning to relate to others
HANDS Learning by Doing (*That's the 4-H Motto*)
HEALTH Taking care of yourself for a lifetime

Welcome to 4-H, the largest youth organization in Wisconsin! You're among the 250,000 youth and 27,000 adult volunteers who will grow in life skills through 4-H this year. 4-H is open to anyone regardless of race, color, creed, sex, national origin or handicap. Boys and girls in town can enjoy 4-H as much as kids in the country. Part of University of Wisconsin-Extension, 4-H is a program where youth learn together in all kinds of projects, events and activities.

In 4-H you choose the projects that fit your personal interests. A 4-H project is an area that you want to learn more about during the year. In most projects you receive materials to help you. An adult leader is usually available to help with project work. This guide lists projects available to you.

Besides projects, you can get involved in events and activities year round. Some of the more popular activities include music and drama festivals, style revues, animal judging contests, communication arts festivals, camps, county and state fairs, community services, tours, recreation, speeches and demonstrations.

Parents are an important part of 4-H. They help choose projects, provide support and transportation, and encourage you to do your best. Many parents share time, skills, interests, and resources with their 4-H club by becoming project or club leaders. Best of all, 4-H is "Hands-On" learning-by-doing action; The kind of learning both youth and adults can really tune into.

May your family enjoy a rewarding 4-H year. Why not start learning the 4-H pledge together:

" I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking, my HEART to greater loyalty,
my HANDS to larger service, my HEALTH to better living for my CLUB,
my COMMUNITY, my COUNTRY, and my WORLD."

Take a look through our **Enrollment Guide** to
select the projects that interest you and your family.

Have a great year learning through 4-H!

If you have questions, please contact me at 386-3790.

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Dodge County 4-H Youth Development Agent

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REMEMBER:
**The projects you sign up for are the ONLY projects
you can ENTER in the FAIR!**

For more information on Dodge County 4-H check the website www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/dodge/4h

WHO CAN JOIN 4-H?

4-H MEMBERSHIP

4-H grade is determined as of October 1, 2004.

First & second graders (as of 10/01/2004) enroll in Dodge County 4-H as Cloverbuds.

Third graders enroll as Explorers.

Starting at fourth grade, members can select from a variety of projects.

Youth continue to be eligible for membership (1) year beyond high school graduation (grade 13). **Member option:**

Graduate from 4-H following high school graduation -or-

One year after high school graduation.

Enrollment is made through local 4-H Clubs. Re-enrolling members **MUST** submit their Enrollment Forms/Behavior Forms TO GENERAL LEADERS in September or early October. *These re-enrollment forms are submitted by the General Leader to 4-H Office by October 26, 2004.*

New Members (including Cloverbuds and Explorers) should turn their enrollment forms to their local General Leader as soon as they have decided to become members of a club.

New Member enrollment forms are due by December 30, 2004 to SHOW at Year 2005 FAIR; however, new memberships are accepted at any time.

Once Enrollment Forms are turned in, projects CANNOT be added or changed!

4-H MEMBERSHIP/COMPETITION POLICY

Statewide 4-H Youth Development has developed two statements about 4-H membership intended to provide consistency to the way young people identify themselves with counties and how they are selected for out-of-county competitive events. *For policies purposes, 4-H membership is defined as having an individual enrollment form on file/entered in the computer membership database at the county extension office.* Policies are effective as of October 1, 1996.

Membership Policy #1

"Youth may not hold 4-H membership in more than one county/state at the same time."

This simply requires that they only hold 4-H membership in a single county at any given time.

Membership Policy #2

"Youth must qualify for participation in district, state or national 4-H competitions through their county of membership." Members must be selected as representatives of only their county of membership, regardless of the location of the qualifying experience.

ENROLLMENT FEES

County 4-H enrollment fee is \$6.00 per member (including Cloverbuds & Exploring Members) and is paid to your local club to be forwarded with club enrollments.

Local club enrollment fees are determined by the individual club.

PROJECT FEES

You may take 3 projects with no extra project fee.

Additional projects have a \$3.00 PER PROJECT fee in addition to County and Club fees. The Dodge County 4-H Leader Associations and UW-Extension subsidize ALL 4-H project areas.

ALL members (new and re-enrolling) MUST complete and return to General Leaders:

- **An Enrollment Form** and
- **Dodge County 4-H Behavior Agreement Form**

DODGE COUNTY 4-H CLOVERBUDS

- Cloverbuds are members who are in 1st and 2nd graders as of October 1, 2004.
- Enrollment is made through local 4-H clubs.
- Cloverbud Family Events will be available at the County level. Clubs have the option of providing additional educational experiences.
- Cloverbuds will NOT sign up for specific projects, but WILL BE enrolled as Cloverbuds.
- Enrollments are due at the October 26, 2004 Leader Association Meeting for re-enrolling Cloverbuds & by December 30, 2004 for NEW Cloverbuds to show at Year 2005 Dodge Co Fair.
- Traditional recordbooks will not be used. Cloverbuds have a special record book.
- Cloverbuds will be able to participate in ALL county 4-H activities.
- Cloverbuds WILL pay the \$6.00 county enrollment fee. Local clubs may have an additional Enrollment fee.
- There will be a special class at the Fair for Cloverbuds in which they can bring any NON-ANIMAL items which will be judged Conference method. Cloverbuds DO need to complete a Fair Entry Form.

DODGE COUNTY EXPLORING MEMBERS

- Exploring members are members who are in 3rd grade as of October 1, 2004.
- Enrollment is made through local 4-H Clubs.
- Exploring members do NOT sign up for specific projects, but WILL BE enrolled as Explorers.
- Re-Enrollments are due at the October 26, 2004 Leader Association Meeting and NEW member enrollments are due December 30, 2004 to show at Year 2005 Dodge County Fair
- Explorers WILL pay the \$6.00 county enrollment fee. Local clubs may have an additional Enrollment fee.
- Explorers will be able to participate in all County 4-H Activities.
- There will be a special class at the Fair for Explorers in which they can bring any NON-ANIMAL items which will be judged Conference method. Explorers DO need to complete a Fair Entry Form.

LEADERS

Any interested person can be a 4-H volunteer leader in Dodge County. Leaders must enjoy working with youth, sharing their knowledge and enthusiasm for learning and having fun. **Leaders are requested to fill out a re-enrollment form each year.** All leaders are automatically members of the Dodge County 4-H Leaders Association.

The University of Wisconsin-Extension 4-H Program, as a long-time educational youth program is very proud of its excellent record of providing a safe and healthy environment for all its members. The 4-H Youth Protection program has been underway in Dodge County since November 1994. **All individuals who enroll as new leaders must complete the youth protection training.** This is a volunteer orientation and certification program to ensure that every adult volunteer working with 4-H youth has received basic training in understanding young people, youth protection practices and teaching. More information on completing this training will be provided to new 4-H leaders who enroll in the Dodge County 4-H Youth Program.

RE-Enrolling MEMBERS
How to Fill Out Your Enrollment Form

- 1. DOUBLE check information PRE-PRINTED on your enrollment form!**
Make any ADDRESS, PHONE OR GRADE changes in a color other than black.
NOTE: 4-H years, school grade and age are automatically updated when we enter new information this next 4-H year! Your school grade must be correct!

 - 2. Projects you were enrolled in this last year are listed on your form.**
 - If you wish to take the same project unit again, circle the "y" for yes. Indicate if you will be a youth leader in this repeated project. Your years in this project will be automatically updated.
CLOVERBUD Project is for 1st AND 2nd Grade Students to take as their ONLY Project area.
EXPLORING Project is now for 3rd Grade Students to take as their ONLY Project area.
**Cloverbud & Exploring area members MAY NOT take any other projects during Grades 1 to 3.*
 - 4-H members (Grade 4 and up) may wish to take a *different unit [each unit lasts 2-3 years!]* in a project area. Circle "no" and *list the new UNIT of project on a line below "repeat" projects.*

 - 3.** After you are re-enrolled in projects:
 - Enter **NEW** projects you wish to complete this year from the *Enrollment Guide lists.*
(Enter the project name and number, indicate if you wish to be a youth leader or if you need/want literature for this project. Check the Enrollment Guide to see if literature is available.)
- REMEMBER: If you are taking a **Self Determined Project**, you must **indicate WHAT SUBJECT/AREA** you will be pursuing and sign up as "191 - Self Determined."
- 4. Dodge County 4-H Photo Release**
Check the appropriate line.

 - 5. DISABILITY INFORMATION:** For 4-H to be aware of a disability, indicate so on this line.

 - 6. Public Record:** Check this blank if you do NOT want the University of Wisconsin-Extension to reveal your name, address or phone number as part of a public record.

 - 7. SIGNATURE:** You, your parent/guardian and general leader sign your form and date it,
(Adult leaders sign their own forms)

ALL MEMBERS MUST Complete a DODGE COUNTY 4-H BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT Form and return it with your re-enrollment form to your General Leader.

Re-enrolling 4-H Leaders Follow the same procedure.

Welcome! You have re-enrolled in 4-H for another year!

NEW 4-H MEMBER ENROLLMENTS

How to Fill Out Your Enrollment Form

- 1. CLUB:** Print your club name here.
- 2. "Office Use Only" Section:** *Do NOT write in this section!*
- 3. Circle ONE: MEMBERSHIP STATUS: You are a....**
 - **4-H MEMBER** You can enroll in any projects if you are in grades 4-13 as of October 1, 2004.
If you are in grades 1-2 you enroll in Project 136 Cloverbuds and grade 3 in 131 Exploring.
 - You are a **PROJECT LEADER** if your primary tasks will be planning/leading project meetings.
 - You're an **ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER** if you're responsible for overall club organization.
 - You are a **RESOURCE LEADER** if your primary responsibility is at the county level.
 - You are an **ACTIVITY LEADER** if your primary tasks focus on club activity leadership.
- 4. Circle ONE: ENROLLMENT STATUS:**
 - If you are already a member of 4-H, you use a **pre-printed** form with **your name on it**.
 - You are a **New Enrollment** if you've **never been in 4-H before**.
- 5. PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

Please fill out the information from "last name" to "other 4-H memberships."

This is your personal information and needs to be **fully** completed. (*Enter your legal name for official, 4-H purposes. Your age is what you will be on October 1, 2004. We also need to be sure that your school grade is correct as of October 1, 2004.*)
- 6. TYPE OF VOLUNTEER:**

Any Leader volunteering in a 4-H Club is a Direct Leader.
- 7. Circle ONE: ETHNICITY, RACE, RESIDENCE**

Circle the appropriate group. (*Ethnicity optional*)
- 8. PROJECT INFORMATION:** Choose the projects you wish to complete this year from this Enrollment Guide. **Include both the project NAME and NUMBER CODE.** Also indicate if you are a youth leader...youth leaders must have taken or be taking the Youth Leadership Project.
CLOVERBUDS do not take any project other than Cloverbud Project #136.
EXPLORERS do not take any project other than Exploring Project #131.
- 9. DODGE COUNTY 4-H PHOTO RELEASE**

Check the appropriate line.
- 10. DISABILITY INFORMATION:** For 4-H to be aware of a disability, indicate so on this line.
- 11. Public Record:** Check this blank if you do NOT want the University of Wisconsin-Extension to reveal your name, address or phone number as part of a public record.
- 12. SIGNATURE:** You, your parent/guardian and general leader sign your form and date it,
(*Adult leaders sign their own forms*)
- 13. PARENT INFORMATION** (*On reverse side*): Have parent/guardian fill out this information.

ALL MEMBERS MUST Complete a DODGE COUNTY 4-H BEHAVIOR AGREEMENT FORM:
EACH year this Form must be completed & returned with your Enrollment Form!
New 4-H Leaders Follow the same procedure.

Welcome! You have enrolled in Dodge County 4-H!