

POINTS AWARD PROGRAM

This program rewards and encourages youth participation in various 4-H activities. Youth earn points for participation in 4-H, community, school and church activities. Depending on the number of points youth earn, they receive financial support towards attending a 4-H event of their choice.

Junior members can receive up to \$100 and older members can receive up to \$200.

The Points form is available from your club leader or the Extension Office and is due December 15.

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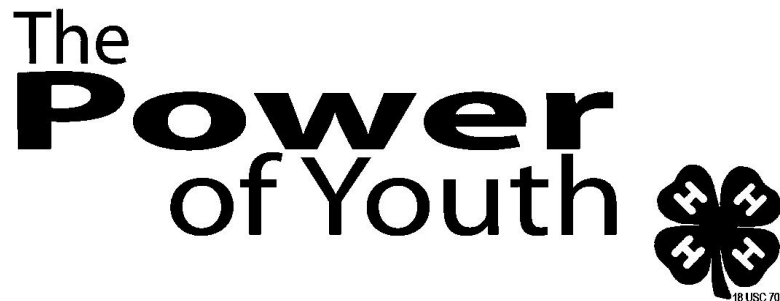
Junior Member & Cloverbud Awards

Each fall most clubs have an awards banquet where they recognize their club members' achievements. Clubs are encouraged to honor their junior members (ages 5-13) with project pins provided by the Extension Office when the leader fills out the order form in September. A sample of the order form is included in this booklet as Appendix B.

Your club may choose to give awards on a different basis. Besides projects, you may chose to give awards for:

- *Friendly attitude/cooperative spirit
- *Helpfulness/leadership skills
- *Outstanding attendance at meetings
- *Neat record keeping
- *Youth leader of the year
- *Good citizenship
- *Any other achievement you think deserves recognition

Throughout the year at various county events, awards for achievement may also be earned. Examples include: the fair, cultural arts festival, demonstration contest, foods revue, and clothing revue.



Member Evaluation for Older Youth

Members in 8th grade or older may complete a ME (member evaluation) packet in August. Interviews are scheduled with the Board of Directors in September where members answer questions about their ME forms and their 4-H year. These forms and interviews are the basis for the county award selection process. A sample form can be found in Appendix C. At the County Awards Banquet in October, project awards and trips are awarded to these older members. Some of the trips that are awarded include:

- *Wisconsin 4-H and Youth Conference in Madison
- *Winter Camp
- *Arts Leadership Lab
- *Citizenship Washington Focus, Washington D.C.
- *Co-op Y.E.S.
- * National 4-H Congress
- * Superior Days
- * Wisconsin 4-H Horse Leaders Conference

Family of Year

Each year a 4-H Family of the Year is recognized for all of their hard work and accomplishments in previous 4-H years. All clubs are asked to submit their nominations in September and the Board of Directors chooses the family in October. The family is recognized with a trophy at the County Awards Banquet held in October.

Banner Club Award

Each year 4-H clubs are asked to write about their proudest achievement of the 4-H year. They are then recognized at the County Awards Banquet for their hard work and dedication toward this accomplishment.

It is Great to be Recognized!

