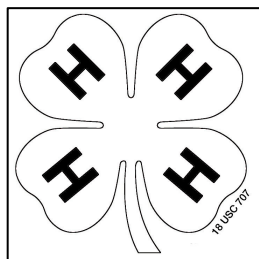


# WELCOME TO DOUGLAS COUNTY 4-H!

4-H is the youth development program of the University of Wisconsin-Extension. So, when you participate in 4-H, you are part of the UW System!



4-H 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.



The four “H’s” represent the four points of the pledge: clearer thinking (head), greater loyalty (heart), larger service (hands), and better living (health).

**How old do you need to be to join 4-H?** Youth in grades K-2 are eligible for the Cloverbuds project. Regular membership is open to youth in grades 3 through one year following high school graduation (we call this grade 13). 4-H is open to any youth eligible for 4-H membership regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sex, national origin, disability, ancestry, sexual orientation, pregnancy, marital or parental status.

The 4-H Project Guide lists some 70 different statewide project areas that you can enjoy. Besides 4-H projects, you can get involved in 4-H events throughout the year. You can learn more about these activities in our 4-H Family Handbook, available at the Extension Office, and in our monthly newsletter.

## FAQ'S ABOUT 4-H PROJECTS

### **What's the Cloverbuds Project?**

4-H youth in grades K-2 must enroll in this project, designed specifically for their age group. They can also enroll in one other level 1 project if they want, but can only exhibit in the Cloverbuds Department at the fair.

### **Who should enroll in the Exploring Project?**

This project is recommended for youth who are in grades 3-4, especially if it's their first year in 4-H.

### **What project will allow me to exhibit in the “Cultural Arts” Department at the fair?**

Members in grades K-6 should enroll in “Art 1” and members in grades 7-13 should enroll “Art 2.”

### **Where's the “Model Horse” Project?**

This is a local project so it's not in the guide. Enroll by writing it on your enrollment form with the code 20371. Adult leaders should use the code 20370 and youth leaders should use the code 20379. This project gives 4-H members the chance to learn the hobby of collecting and showing model horses.

### **Can 4-H members in grades 9-13 enroll in Latino Cultural Arts?**

Yes! The guide says it's for grades K-8 but 4-H members in grades 9-13 are also welcome to enroll.

### **What if there's a project I'm interested in and it's not in the guide?**

Enroll in “Self-Determined” and you can create your own project!

### **What does it mean if I enroll as a Youth Leader (YTH LDR) for a project?**

If you enroll as a youth leader in a project, you should plan to assume some type of leadership role within the project (e.g., working with new members in the project, assisting an adult volunteer in their leadership of the project, serving on a county committee in the project area, etc.). Youth leaders will receive leader project literature. You can enroll both as a youth leader and in an upper level of the project and this will count as one project (for those concerned with the 10 project maximum).