DELAWARE COUNTY 4-H

MEMBERS' RECORD BOOK

4-H Member's Name

4-H ACHIEVEMENT BOOKS

"WORTH THEIR WEIGHT IN GOLD"

Anything worth doing is worth doing well, whether it be 4-H or anything else. It is also worth documenting - keeping a record of what was done. Therefore, keeping a 4-H Achievement Book should be a necessity. When applying for awards, representative materials are often required. Where do you have them? Certificates, ribbons, news clippings - what memories to treasure!

Keeping a 4-H Achievement Book is not as difficult as one may think - it can be done as the year progresses.

- Use a sturdy cover - it may go through a flood!
- Use scrapbook paper from the 4-H office - worth the few cents per sheet!
- Use only one side of the page and print neatly - tough to read in 30 years if you don't!

Each year, your 4-H Achievement Book should only include the **2 most recent years**:

1. **First Year** - include work to date
2. **Second Year** - work to date, plus all of last years
3. **Third Year and Up** - tie these volumes with an old shoe lace, twister, etc. and retain for posterity. They are fun to look back at and the pictures are a great source of laughter for you and your grandchildren

GUIDE FOR 4-H ACHIEVEMENT BOOKS

1. **BLANK PAGE** - protection
2. **TITLE PAGE** - every book has a title, example: My 4-H Story, etc.
3. **NAME PAGE** - picture of yourself - who are we reading about? (name/county/birth date)
4. **TABLE OF CONTENTS** - what's in it?
5. **PROJECT AND/OR ACTIVITY CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR** (make sure year is included)
6. **PICTURE OF CLUB** (if in one)
7. **PICTURE OF CLUB OFFICERS** (if you were one) - plus little green officer card
8. **PRESENTATION PICTURE** (if you did one) - title and what you did
9. **PRESENTATION CERTIFICATE** (if you did one) - need some place to stick it
10. **ONE PAGE TO ILLUSTRATE EACH PROJECT OR ACTIVITY** - photos, captions, diagrams, etc.
11. If in **FASHION REVUE PROGRAM**
12. If in **FASHION REVUE - FASHION REVUE CERTIFICATE**
13. If in **ANIMAL SHOWS** - programs, ribbons (all on one page) etc.
14. **PAGE FOR LETTERS** - thank you's, congratulations, honors, etc. (attach envelope and put in)
15. **ONE PAGE FOR EACH WEEK AT CAMP, CAREER EXPLORATION, ETC.**
16. **PAGE FOR NEWS CLIPPINGS** - (shingled, name underlined, and dated)
17. **ONE PAGE COUNTY FAIR AWARDS** - little tags in envelope, ribbons overlapped - all exhibits listed under excellent, good, worthy
18. **ONE PAGE FOR STATE FAIR AWARDS** - ribbons overlapped and identified
19. **ANYTHING ELSE THAT DIDN'T FIT ABOVE PAGES**
20. **COMPLETION CERTIFICATE OR CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT**
21. **4-H MEMBER RECORD BOOKS IS A PART OF THE ACHIEVEMENT BOOK - A SUMMARY IN A HURRY!**

Remember, this is to be kept for posterity!
Will provide hours of enjoyment for all who look at it.
Is that really you?
These volumes will truly be treasures, take it from one who has them from 40 years ago!!!

Dear 4-H Member,

All 4-H members must provide general project records at the county fair, making it simple to transfer the information about your projects to this record book.

The ***4-H Members' Record Book*** was made especially for you - - to help you maintain one primary record that covers all projects. Don't let the nine pages scare you - - it's quite easy.

Notice, you fill in only one line per sheet with the exception of pages 2, 4, 7, 8 and 9. On those pages, use whatever space you need. The last page gives space for a summary story of your year's work.

There should be a story for each year, but we included only sheets for the first and second years. You may use your own paper for additional years or request additional pages from the 4-H office.

THIS IS NOT AN ACHIEVEMENT BOOK
Achievement Books are not required but most 4-H members like to keep one - - directions are inside the front cover of this book.

BONUS - FOR OLDER MEMBERS
Because of this simple, complete record it is unnecessary to fill out separate applications for special 4-H trips and awards. Just turn in this book and you will be automatically entered.

Keep this book up-to-date with each activity in which you participate. Turn this into your leader or the 4-H office (for individual members). You will be notified by letter from the 4-H office of the date for the project completion.

Sincerely,

Emily S. Roach
4-H Program Supervisor

Corrine Tompkins
4-H Resource Educator

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Name of Club _____

Year	# of Members	Office Held	Committee Work

"MAKE THE BEST BETTER"

4-H PROJECTS COMPLETED

(Use **ONE** line for each project – include as much information as possible)

Year	Project	Indicate size and accomplishments – Ex. Sq. Ft. of garden, number and type of garments made, number of calves, cows and horse, etc.	Leader Approval

Public Presentations

		Check or Indicate Award, If Given				
Year	Title & Description	County	County Fair	District	State Fair	Other

Clothing Revue

		Check or Indicate Award, If Given		
Year	Garment Model & Description	County	State	Other

COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITS

(Use **ONE** line for each project area)

Year	Number and Description of Entries	Excellent	Good	Worthy
Example: 2008	Foods	5	4	3
Example: 2009	Vegetables	4	3	2

STATE FAIR EXHIBITS

Year	Number and Description of Entries	Excellent	Good	Worthy

(Include trips on page 6, not here)

SPECIAL 4-H AWARDS

Year	County Awards, Contest Awards, Special Recognition, Etc.

LEADERSHIP

(Include Camp Counseling)

Year	Title of Job	# of Members Led	What was your responsibility and what did you do?

4-H AWARD TRIPS TAKEN

Date	Include any trips out of county as an official representative of the county. (New York City Honor Award Trip; ABC Trip; Citizenship Washington Focus Trip; Capital Days; Career Exploration Trip)

OTHER 4-H ACTIVITIES

Year	More than one year may be used. Include: camp, talks given, judging and showmanship contests, horse shows, community service, 4-H parades, window displays, parents nights, achievement night/day, etc.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Year	Description

MY 4-H STORY – 1ST YEAR

Write a brief summary of your 4-H experience and what it meant to you.
What it helped you receive, what it cost, plans for next year, etc.

MY 4-H STORY – 2ND YEAR

Write a brief summary of your 4-H experience and what it meant to you.
What it helped you receive, what it cost, plans for next year, etc.