

# BENTON COUNTY 4-H

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## BENTON COUNTY 4-H VISION STATEMENT

4-H reaches the diverse Benton County community by developing youth and adult leadership while enhancing self-esteem through a variety of fun, challenging, educational and creative experiences.

### Five Goals for Benton County 4-H

- 1) Strengthen Adult Leadership
- 2) Create a Welcoming Environment in Benton County 4-H
- 3) Develop Life Skills in Youth
- 4) Document & Increase Community Service for 4-Hers
- 5) Develop Job and Career Skills in 4-H Youth

### The Motto

To make the best better!

## **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.

## **4-H AND THE BENTON COUNTY FAIR**

The fair is an important activity for many Benton County 4-H'ers. The fair program provides experiences designed to contribute to the leadership development and personal growth of youth. Above all, the fair provides an opportunity to share friendships, become acquainted with others, and have fun.

The participants in the fair have been selected to represent their community and club through county fair events. The activities of the fair are designed to expand upon and reinforce the experiences of the youth at the club and county level.

The fair provides the setting to showcase products, skills, and knowledge of youth that participate in the 4-H program. The emphasis of 4-H is built around "Youth in Action." Youth will share their knowledge, skills and enthusiasm with the public through contests, participatory exhibits and special feature activities.

Benton 4-H youth will display examples of their projects, asking for an evaluation by a qualified judge. 4-H members compete in different age divisions:

- Junior(grades 4-6)
- Intermediate (grades 7-9)
- Senior (grades 10-12)

All youth receive a ribbon and are judged against a standard. Additionally, the fair provides the opportunity for youth and adults to observe the activities of 4-H'ers. They can discover how they can assume leadership roles or participate in the Oregon State University Extension Service youth development program.

Benton 4-H members in grades K-3 are in the 4-H Adventures program and explore a variety of project areas. These members do not participate in competition, but do share their learning at County Fair through a group display in the 4-H Exhibit Building.

All 4-H members are required to have 4-H accident insurance. All 4-H members exhibit and participate at their own risk. A big thanks goes to the 4-H volunteer leaders, parents, superintendents, and youth members for their contributions to the community!

## **4-H PASS AND PARKING POLICY**

**General Policy:** Passes are non-transferable, and must be signed by the pass holder. Passes are not needed on Tuesday, July 29. Pass holders are subject to Benton County Fair policies.

**Daily Pass:** 4-H members and leaders participating in 4-H contests will receive a single daily pass for date of participation. Daily passes cannot be awarded to parents or friends

of 4-H members and leaders. 4-H members participating in the 4-H dog show, llama show, and the 4-H horse fair will receive one daily pass for each day they exhibit and/or judge (limit of two days for horse members). Youth having static exhibits (not educational posters) receive one daily pass if they come to exhibit judging day (but not if they have animals that stay the whole week).

**Season Pass:** All 4-H livestock and small animal exhibitors and leaders will be allowed a season pass during the fair. Season passes will be given to the 4-H office staff, office helpers, chaperones and fair superintendents.

**Food Delivery to Camping Area:** One entry permit will be issued to each 4-H club & FFA chapter to bring food into the campground. Only three vehicles will be allowed in the campground at one time. Unauthorized vehicles parked in this area will be towed at the owner's expense (this will be enforced). All others will park in the south or west parking lots. 4-H leaders and other Superintendents and campers will receive parking permits, but must park in the south or west parking lots. Passes may be picked up at the county 4-H fair office at the fairgrounds. Everyone entering the Fair must have a Pass or pay admission. **All people in each vehicle must show admission credentials.**

#### **4-H JUDGING AND IDENTIFICATION CONTEST REQUIREMENTS:**

1. All 4-H club members are eligible and encouraged to enter the judging contests.
2. A club member may compete in the same state fair judging contest.
3. A 4-H club member can enter all county judging contests. A 4-H club member, if he/she qualifies, may enter more than one state fair judging contest.
4. There must be at least five persons enrolled and registered for each contest. Otherwise, no contest will be held.
5. No animal will be used in a judging contest without the exhibitor's consent.

#### **4-H EDUCATION DISPLAYS**

##### **OPEN TO ALL 4-H CLUB MEMBERS**

Exhibitors may enter only **one exhibit per class**. These classes are open to all 4-H members and are especially appropriate for projects that have no separate exhibit classes or for locally developed projects. The exhibit may be a poster or a three-dimensional display. **Individual exhibits are limited in size to 30" wide, 24" deep (front to back) and 36" high. Club exhibits are limited to 60" wide, 24" deep, and 36" high.**

Exhibits may include pictures, models, diagrams and actual articles if they qualify for the safety standards listed below. Drawings or photos which are an essential part of the display should be firmly attached to the board. Loose materials like soil, bark or sand must be displayed in closed containers. **No books or notebooks will be accepted as part of the display. The following materials will not be allowed on the display for safety reasons:**

- **Living organisms-plants or animals or dead parts of animals or plants**
- **Any liquids**
- **Aerosol bottles or other pressurized gases**
- **Glass**
- **Hazardous substances**
- **Sharp items**

An *Educational Display Exhibit Card* (000-01) must be attached to each exhibit. Judging criteria are outlined on the *4-H Educational Display Check Sheet* (000-02). Both are available from the county Extension Office or state 4-H website at <http://Oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/resources/materials>.

Club exhibits are to be entered under the club name but must include the names of all members and leaders. This may be on a separate paper attached to the back of the exhibit.

**Each piece of an exhibit must have name, county and class number attached to it. All parts of the display should be attached to one another in some way to keep the exhibit together as a unit.** Single posters may be displayed by hanging or stapling to the wall. All other displays should be free standing. All information contained in the exhibit must be able to be viewed by the public by looking at the display.

**Note: Fill in blank in class number (\_\_\_) with corresponding number for 1=Junior; 2=Intermediate; 3=Senior; 4=Club.**

**000 200 00\_ Other** (*Areas not listed below*)

**010 200 00\_ Citizenship & Leadership Projects** (*Citizenship, Cultural Education, World Citizenship/International Programs, Junior Leadership, Community Service & Service Learning*)

**020 200 00\_ Expressive Arts** (*Art, Ceramics, Decorative Painting, Fiber Arts, and Leathercraft*)

**030 200 00\_ Home Economics** (*Child Development, Clothing, Crocheting, Food and Nutrition, Food Preservation, Home Environment and Knitting*)

**040 200 00\_ Natural Resources** (*Entomology, Forestry, Geology, Marine Science, Conservation and Outdoors*)

**072 200 00\_ Animal Science** (*Beef, Dairy Cattle, Dogs, Dairy Goats, Pygmy Goats, Guide Dogs, Guinea Pigs, Horses and Ponies, Pigeons and Doves, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep and Veterinary Science*)

**071 200 00\_ Horticulture** (*Container Gardening, Flower and Ornamental Gardening and Vegetable Gardening*)

**080 200 00\_ Engineering Projects** (*Computers, Electricity, Tractors and Woodworking*)

**000 000 00\_ 4-H Wildlife Stewards (teams or individuals)**  
**(these are prejudged at Earth Day Summit)**

#### **AWARD**

**The Annegret Dieterich Memorial** will present a cash award to the 4-H Wildlife Steward individual member and team with the top 4-H Educational Displays.

**The Annegret Dieterich Memorial** will present a cash award to the top Junior, Intermediate & Senior for Educational Displays.

#### **BEE EXHIBITS**

Exhibits may be in Natural Resources or Education Displays (One award per exhibitor)

Each Blue Award Bee Exhibit.....\$10.00

Each Red Award Bee Exhibit .....\$5.00

Donor: Oregon Beekeepers' Association  
Lynn Royce  
30807 Decker Ridge Road

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mitebee@peak.org

#### **4-H ADVENTURE EXHIBITS**

Each Benton County 4-H Adventure Club may set up a club display in the 4-H exhibit area (Arts & Crafts Building) on **Saturday, July 26, 10 am - 3 pm**. Each club has half an 8' table (4' total) to display their items. Clubs may choose what items they would like to exhibit, including projects, scrapbooks, pictures, posters, etc. Each club member will receive a green participation ribbon and a one day pass to fair.

#### **4-H RECORD BOOKS**

All enrolled 4-H members are encouraged to keep 4-H records. Youth in livestock projects who are interested in the Exhibitor awards for their species must have their completed records to their club leader prior to County Fair. The leader must turn in their club "4-H Records Completion Form" to the 4-H Fair office by JULY 31 to show which members have completed records. Youth who would like feedback on their records can turn them into the Benton Extension office by September 26. All 4-H members can have their records judged and will receive ribbons. All 4-H members will receive written comments, which will be helpful to them. Special awards will be given to the Junior, Intermediate, & Senior member with the top large animal, small animal & horse records. If 4-H members apply for County Medals, their records are due September 22.

Entries should include(in this order): 4-H Permanent Record, 4-H Notes, 4-H Project Record (Animal Science Record), Advancements (if possible), and Production Record (if applicable) for the current year, completed to date. Photographs and other forms are optional. Records completed to September 1, 2008.

#### **STATE FAIR EXHIBITOR'S MEETING**

A State Fair Exhibitor's Meeting will be held on SUNDAY, August 3, 2008, at 3:00 p.m. at the Small Animal Show Ring. All members planning to participate in this year's State Fair should plan to attend. (Please note, this is during COUNTY FAIR).