

Clark County 4-H Behavior Agreement

- All youth enrolled in the Clark County 4-H program are required to sign a Behavior Agreement Form along with their parent/guardian. Participation and behavior expectations exist during the 4-H Club meetings, club and county project meetings, field trips, trainings/clinics, out of county events, and other activities related to the 4-H program. Some 4-H programs may require additional expectation forms tailored to that event or activity. In addition, behavior expectations are extended to all overnight 4-H events, camps and award trips.
 - Youth are required to sign a Behavior Agreement Form at the time of enrollment and will not be considered enrolled until the form is completed and submitted. Individual county projects may have additional behavior and safety guidelines for youth to follow. By signing this form, youth and parents also agree to abide by the 4-H Sportsmanship Code of Conduct and Clark County 4-H Acceptable Use Policy for Electronic Resources.
1. At all times, Members are expected to:
 - a. Conduct yourself in a respectful and acceptable manner to all youth participant, 4-H leaders, adults, chaperones, visiting resource people and other hosting organizations. In addition, members are to refrain from any hazing or bullying behavior.
 - b. Respect and accept direction from adult leaders/chaperones and other designated person(s) with leadership responsibility.
 - c. Use good judgment in selecting clothing appropriate to the program/event, and without offending language.
 - d. Use good judgment in selecting clothing appropriate for weather and occasion, abiding by any established dress code. Clothing that is revealing or with obscene language/pictures or with drug, tobacco, or alcohol advertising is never allowed.
 - e. Behave in accordance with applicable federal, state, and municipal laws.
 2. At all times, Members are expected to refrain from:
 - a. Using or possessing controlled or illegal substances (medication, tobacco, alcohol, drugs, etc.) except as prescribed by a physician.
 - b. Using obscene or objectionable language; including racial or ethnic slurs.
 - c. Driving any vehicle during the event without expressed permission or the chaperones.
 3. In addition, during chaperoned overnight 4-H programs, trips and activities, members/delegates are expected to:
 - a. Attend and participate in all planned activities.
 - b. Abide by all established quiet hours and curfew times
 - c. Inform chaperones of any prescription medications to be taken during an overnight experience and/or as instructed, turn in correctly labeled medications for disbursement by licensed medical staff.
 - d. Refrain from, physically leaving the program site without permission of the chaperone or attending gatherings where people are using tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs.

4. Members and their families understand the chaperone's role includes:
 - a. Serving as an advocate for the members.
 - b. Maintaining regular contact with members to monitor health, attitude, behavior, problem situations, etc.
 - c. Knowing of all prescription medications in use by members. (Chaperones may not dispense medication.)
 - d. Making appropriate decisions in emergency situations to enhance the health and well-being of the member.
 - e. Responsibility to determine the occurrence of inappropriate behavior and take appropriate action(s) which may include:
 - Counseling with involved member(s) to reach an understanding and stop the inappropriate behavior.
 - Taking disciplinary actions at the time of the occurrence (not to include physical punishment)
 - Informing parents and local UW-Extension personnel of misbehavior at time of occurrence if severity warrants such notification.
 - **Removing a member from the program/event and sending the member home early at the expense of the member's family.**

I have read and understand the above expectations for all 4-H club members. If I break this agreement or my conduct is not satisfactory at 4-H events, I understand that I may be sent home, and my parent(s) or guardian will be responsible for paying all costs incurred by the early departure. I understand that I may be asked to reimburse all funds expended upon my behalf for the event and I will not be refunded for personal fees paid for the event. I understand that such disciplinary action may result in restricted participation or ineligibility to participate in future 4-H activities.

4-H Member's Name (printed)

4-H Member's Signature

Date

As parent or guardian, I understand the above rules/penalties, accept them and agree to be bound by the same.

Parent's or Guardian's Signature

Date

***Adapted and approved in January 2013 by the Clark County 4-H Leaders Federation Board**