What is 4-H County Council?

The Grayson County 4-H Council is an organization comprised of elected Council officers and club representatives. The organization stresses youth leadership training and development. All 4-H members, parents, and leaders are welcome to attend meetings. The County Council also has a district and state counterpart.

The County Council meets at 7:00 p.m. on the 3rd Monday of the month from August to May at the Grayson County Courthouse to conduct business, educational meetings, plan community service projects, and enjoy the company of fellow 4-H members.

Meetings will focus on:

- August – Welcome Back Celebration/ Awards Banquet
- September – Promotional outreach within the County
- October – County Wide Fundraiser
- November – Community Service
- December – Holiday Party/ Celebration
- January – Educational Event
- February – Prepare for County Stockshow and General Exhibits
- March – Community Service
- April – Promotional outreach within the County
- May – Elections of 2020-2021 Officer Team

Who Can Become a Member?

You can become a member of the Grayson County 4-H Council in one of two ways:

1. Be elected to a County Council office. (See officer positions below)
2. Be a club representative (each club selects a representative to the Council; the representative is usually the club president and a secondary delegate).
3. Any 4-H member can attend and participate in Council meetings and activities. However, only officers and club representatives are voting members.

What are the requirements for a Council Officer?

Council Officers are elected during the May (and sometimes September) meetings. Officers oversee the monthly Council meeting and are required to:

- Be present at and prepared for Council Meetings (3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m.) Meeting will take place in September to May, with banquet and welcome party in August
- Serve as mentors to the Grayson County 4-H Clover Kids Club (3rd Monday at 5:30 p.m.) Meeting will take place October to May
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- Oversee the implementation of the County 4-H Awards Banquet and Welcome Back Social in August

- Attend county wide community service activities, educational programs, promotional events, social gatherings and county level fundraisers

- Participate in ADDITIONAL officer trainings – I.E. District IV 4-H Boot Camp (August) and the Grayson County 4-H Leadership Retreat (August)

Council Officer Positions and Roles

President
Qualifications
- Must be entering the 9th to 11th grade
- Must have served as a Council Officer at least for one year prior
- Must be an active 4-H member for at least 2 years
Responsibilities
- Presides over the County Council Meetings and Executive Committee
- Serves as a District Delegate (see delegate requirements below)
- Appoints standing and special committees
- Attends required District Level Events – MANDATORY
- Ex-officio member of all committees, except nominating committee

First Vice President
Qualifications
- Must be entering the 4th grade and up
- Must be an active 4-H member for at least 1 year
Responsibilities
- Presides over the County Council Meetings in absence of the President
- Serves on Executive Committee
- Serves as Chair of Educational Committee – Plans educational aspects for council meetings

Second Vice President
Qualifications
- Must be entering the 4th grade and up
- Must be an active 4-H member for at least 1 year
Responsibilities
- Presides over the County Council Meetings in absence of the President & 1st Vice President
- Serves on Executive Committee
- Serves as Chair of Social/Recreation Committee – Plans recreational activity and brings refreshments for council meetings
Third Vice President
Qualifications
• Must be entering the 4th grade and up
• Must be an active 4-H member for at least 1 year
Responsibilities
• Presides over the County Council Meetings in absence of top three officers
• Serves on Executive Committee
• Serves as Chair of Membership Committee – Welcomes and greets visitors at the council meetings

Secretary
Qualifications
• Must be entering the 4th grade and up
• Must be an active 4-H member for at least 1 year
Responsibilities
• Serves on Executive Committee
• Keeps actuate record of council meeting proceedings
• Takes roll and reads minutes during council meetings

Treasurer
Qualifications
• Must be entering the 9th grade and up
• Must be an active 4-H member for at least 1 year
Responsibilities
• Serves on Executive Committee
• Represents the County Council on the Youth Advisory Board
• Presents a financial statement during council meetings

Parliamentarian
Qualifications
• Primary: Role is appointed to the outgoing Council President – If unable to fulfill, then:
  o Must be entering the 4th grade and up
  o Must be an active 4-H member for at least 1 year
Responsibilities
• Provides advice to the presiding officer on parliamentary procedure
• Instructs members in correct parliamentary procedures

Reporter
Qualifications
• Must be entering the 4th grade and up
• Must be an active 4-H member for at least 1 year
Responsibilities
• Reports activities of the county to local news media
• Reports activities through social media, with guidance of the CEA
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Health & Safety
Qualifications
• Must be entering the 4th grade and up
• Must be an active 4-H member for at least 1 year
Responsibilities
• Shares health/safety information at county meetings
• Serves as Chair of Health and Safety Committee

District Delegate (2)
Qualifications
• Must be entering the 9th grade and up
• Must be an active 4-H member for at least 1 year
Responsibilities
• Serves as a delegate to the District IV 4-H Council
• Keeps the county informed of district activities and the district informed of county activities
• Encourages all 4-H members to become involved in District 4-H activities
• Attends required District Level Events – MANDATORY