

Grimes County 4-H



2018-2019 4-H Handbook

WELCOME TO THE GRIMES COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM!

We are glad that you have chosen to be part of the largest non-formal education organization in the United States! Over 5.6 million youth participate in 4-H each year to become self-motivated, productive and contributing citizens.

4-H is designed to be a family affair, so 4-H parents are encouraged to get involved in the 4-H experience. Ways that 4-H parents can contribute range from serving as project leader to providing transportation to activities, or even supplying refreshments for meetings or special events. 4-H parents are also needed to supervise 4-H activities.

Grimes County has an outstanding group of dedicated adult volunteer leaders as well as superb group of motivated 4-H members. We welcome your family into the Grimes County 4-H family!

Best wishes for a fulfilling year in 4-H! We look forward to seeing you at events throughout the year.

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ALL ABOUT 4-H TERMS AND DEFINITIONS



What is 4-H?

4-H is a youth program that helps young people learn new things through learning-to-do projects. Did you know that 4-H is the youth phase of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Cooperative Extension Program? Most 4-H competition is divided into 3 age divisions:

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What does a 4-H Club do?

4-H members join together in an organization called a 4-H club. It elects its own officers and conducts its own business. The club group usually has a president, vice president(s), secretary, treasurer, reporter and may have a historian or parliamentarian.

The club has a business meeting on a regular basis with an annual plan for their programs. At this meeting, the group discusses business and makes plans for activities. In addition, each meeting should include some kind of special educational program. The program can be demonstrations by members, talks by members, parents or resource persons, or anything else which interests the group.

What Can Parents Do To Help?

Good youth development programs do not just happen. It takes the combined effort of parents and volunteers along with the guidance of Extension youth development professionals to establish a good 4-H program.

In 4-H we have a team... a 4-H team which contributes to the ultimate development of boys and girls. On this team are the parents who become partners of the team. If this 4-H team is to be successful, then the parents must become "regular players," not "bench riders."

4-H PROJECTS

4-H projects are specific areas of study, such as training pets, learning to take photographs, growing plants or making clothing. The project consists of at least six hours of learning time, and provides in-depth learning experiences for the member. About 40 projects are available with written project materials from Texas A&M University.

A member may participate in one or more projects each year. The 4-H leader should help the member choose projects carefully and realistically, so that the member is setting reachable goals. Here is a partial list of projects from which to choose. For a complete list go to <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Recordbookcategorydescriptions.pdf>

Beef Cattle	Community Service	Leadership
Dairy Cattle	Clothing & Textiles	Public Speaking
Dog Care & Training	Consumer Education	Foods & Nutrition
Goats (Dairy, Meat, or Hair)	Citizenship & Civic Education	Shooting Sports
Poultry (Chickens & Turkeys)	Theater & Performance Arts	Photography
Rabbits	Plant & Soil Science	Robotics
Sheep	Natural Resources	Science
Swine	Outdoor Education & Living Skills	Companion Animal
Veterinary Science	Youth Entrepreneurship	Entomology
Family Life	Communication & Expressive Arts	Health
Gardening & Horticulture	Horse	Natural Resources
Personal Development	Recreation	Wildlife & Fisheries
Agricultural Sciences	Science, Engineering, & Technology	

What does a project cost?

The costs vary depending upon the project chosen. A member enrolled in the foods and nutrition project might use supplies from around the home to practice the skills being learned. A member who buys and raises a horse can expect to invest thousands of dollars. Keep costs in mind as you select your projects. The project must be realistic to your family's situation.

Are 4-H'ers expected to do their own project work?

Yes, with the guidance of an adult. 4-H is a "learning by doing" program. Adults may show the member how, but members are expected to learn how to do things themselves. 4-H members may also conduct some project work in groups. Working in groups can be fun, and the members get the experience of helping each other. But most projects call for some work to be done by the individual member, and each member should be learning to do things for themselves. You can always contact your extension office as a resource if you need additional help, resources, information.

Self-determined projects

Projects are not limited by the materials available from 4-H. For example, a member may be interested in model airplanes. Members should discuss such projects with their leaders or the county Extension agent. Together you can create a program with steps and goals that will make learning about the project fun. The 4-H member must be prepared to report on the progress and to record his or her accomplishments.

How Can Parents Help?

- ✓ Learn what 4-H is all about (purposes, objectives, etc.)
- ✓ Exhibit a genuine interest and enthusiasm in 4-H and in your child.
- ✓ Encourage participation in 4-H activities. Participation stimulates interest and enthusiasm.
- ✓ Assist your child in selecting a project they like, a project that they have the ability to accomplish, and one for which you can help furnish facilities, financing, needed materials and guidance.
- ✓ Provide encouragement and help in their project work with record keeping, demonstrations, judging and completion of attempted work and leadership responsibilities.
- ✓ Provide transportation for members to local club meetings and to county events and activities.

- ✓ Attend club meetings with your child. Some clubs require that at least one parent needed.
- ✓ Get informed about "what's going on" and continue to keep informed. This can be accomplished by reading the 4-H newsletter thoroughly.
- ✓ Provide a meeting place for a project group. Assist leaders and club by providing refreshments or other help.

How Do You Learn New Things?

4-H'ers learn new things by taking an active part in 4-H. There are many projects and activities in which 4-H'ers can participate. Below is a list of just a few of them, along with some words you need to know.

Grimes County 4-H Dictionary

Who's Who

County Extension Agents – Professionals employed by Texas A & M University, Prairie View University or Grimes County to work with Extension programs in the county, including 4-H. The address for the County Extension Office is 203 Veteran's Memorial, Navasota, TX, 77868. The phone number is 936-873-3907, the fax number is 936-825-0539, email is grimes@ag.tamu.edu and the Grimes County website is: <http://grimes.agrilife.org>

4-H Club Manager – Provides overall leadership and organization to a local 4-H community or project club. Clubs may have one or two club managers.

4-H Leader – Any adult volunteer who works with a local or county-wide 4-H club or activity.

Project Leader – An adult or youth volunteer who teaches and assists 4-H'ers in a specific project.

Activity Leader – An adult or youth volunteer who assists with a special 4-H activities such as tours, parties, or educational events.

Junior Leader – An older 4-H member who routinely helps a club manager or project leader with organization, management or teaching.

Teen Leader – A Senior 4-H member who serves as a club manager or project leader in charge of an entire club or group.

4-H Groups

Community Club – A group made up of 4-H'ers with different projects who live and meet in a local community. Community Clubs may be made up of like or different age groups. There is no limit to the number of 4-H groups each community can have. Each community club has its own officers and club manager/s.

Project Club or Group – A group made up of members of one project. A project group or club may be local or county-wide. **Project Clubs** operate year-round and have their own club officers and club manager/s. **Project Groups** meet on a temporary basis and their members are already enrolled in a community club.

Special Interest Group – A group of youth who are not year-round 4-H members, but who participate in a short-term educational activity sponsored by 4-H.

Curriculum Enrichment – Educational programs sponsored by 4-H which are implemented by teachers or volunteers in the classroom.

Community 4-H Club Activities

4-H Club Meetings – Most community 4-H Clubs meet monthly September through May. Meetings consist of club business and an educational program. Clubs may meet through the summer months if they desire.

Project Work/Project Meetings – 4-H'ers may conduct project work on their own or in a group. Each 4-H member must complete at least one project (6 hours of learning experiences) each 4-H year. Members who plan to do 4-H Record Books and enter competition should complete at least one project per year as juniors, at least two projects as an intermediate, and up to four but not limited to four projects per year as seniors. Project meetings are set up by project leaders, club managers or by county agents.

Community Service – Activities conducted by individual 4-H'ers, project groups or clubs that help the neighborhood or community. Community service is important in the overall 4-H experience. Good ideas for community service projects can be obtained from the club manager or the county agent.

Leadership – Leadership activities are those in which 4-H members help plan, organize or promote 4-H; or those in which 4-H'ers teach others. Leadership is the third type of activity (along with project work and community service) important in the **4-H recordbook**.

Fundraising – The Grimes County 4-H Pecan Sale is the major 4-H fundraisers. This fundraising event is how we fund our yearly budget. **Every** club is **required** to participate in the County Wide Pecan Sales. Please note: no other club will be able to conduct a separate pecan sales fundraiser. Also, we ask that no other club fundraisers take place during the pecan fundraiser. In addition to the annual county-wide pecan sales, each 4-H group may plan its own fund raising activities to provide for club activities. **Each club is limited to two fundraisers per 4-H year.** Club fundraisers must be approved by the County Extension Office **two weeks** prior to the fundraiser taking place. **Fundraiser form needs to be completed and approved before holding the event.**

Educational Presentations (Method Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks) – Five to twelve minute presentations by 4-H members sharing information about their 4-H project or a 4-H activity. **Method demonstrations** show how to make or do something. **Illustrated talks** tell about something using charts or photographs. Each member is encouraged to do at least one educational presentation per year in a club or project meeting.

County 4-H Activities

County 4-H Council & 4-H Finance Task Force– Any 4-H'er can be a member of the Grimes County 4-H Council which meet bi-monthly. The President and Council Representative of each community or project club are the voting delegates to the County 4-H Council. This group plans and conducts county-wide 4-H activities. Each club may have two council representatives and each club may have two adults on the Finance Task Force. The 4-H Council is for the youth and adults should meet with the Adult Leaders.

County 4-H Awards Banquet – Held in the late summer or early fall of each year, this event recognizes the accomplishments of 4-H members, leaders and friends. Each 4-H family is invited to attend.

Grimes County Fair – The Grimes County Fair is held in June of each year. Animal projects which can be exhibited at the fair include steers, swine, lambs, rabbits, broilers, turkeys, heifers, goats and horses. The Creative Arts divisions include food preparation, canned foods (food preservation), arts and crafts, photography and fine arts, needlework, quilts and collective hobbies. Selected top food preparation projects are sold at a Premium Auction during fair week.

4-H Fashion Show – Scheduled for early spring of each year, the 4-H Fashion Show is designed to give 4-H'ers in Clothing projects an opportunity to show their project work and compete for awards. (Clothing projects should be completed before the fashion show.) Clothing project members may enter either the **buying** or the **construction** divisions of the fashion show. Winners in each age group and category advance to the district competition.

4-H Food Show – Held in winter, the 4-H Food Show provides opportunities for members in 4-H foods and nutrition projects to show project work and compete for awards. (Foods projects should begin by early fall to be finished by the food show.) Winners in each age group and category advance to the district show.

Consumer Decision Making Contest – This contest is held in the spring of every year. The project is geared toward helping 4-H'ers to gain the knowledge and skills to become successful and satisfied consumers. 4-H'ers learn how the economy operates, how to make choices and the effects of these choices have on money management, environment, family, and the economy. They also begin to understand their rights and responsibilities as consumers.

4-H Leader Training – Trainings are scheduled **twice** per year on general matters pertaining to managing and leading 4-H groups. All leaders are encouraged to attend the trainings. Since basic 4-H policy and procedure is outlined at these meetings, they are mandatory for club managers and are open to all leaders.

4-H Project Trainings – Leader and/or member trainings are scheduled throughout the year in several different project areas, both in Grimes and surrounding counties. Notices of these meetings will be in the 4-H Newsletter or in a Club Management Memo. Leaders should attend project trainings in the areas in which they lead projects. Everyone is usually invited to the project trainings.

Planning Meetings – One annual county-wide planning meeting is scheduled for late summer of each year. Club officers for the coming 4-H year should plan to attend along with the club manager; all members and leaders are encouraged to participate also.

Pecan Sales – The annual pecan sale begins in September of each year and funds county-wide 4-H activities and events. Every family and every club is **needed** to support 4-H through their participation and promotion of the pecan sale. Remember...this is how our budget gets funded.

County 4-H Record Book Competition – 4-H'ers learn to document their 4-H activities in 4-H Record Books, and a number of county, district and state awards and scholarships are based on 4-H Record Books. Training on record keeping is provided to parents and leaders during the 4-H year. Forms and instructions are available from the Extension office. Record books include summaries of 4-H activities, a 4-H story, and photographs. Start recording **all** activities on a calendar at the beginning of the year when you sign up for 4-H so that you can remember all of your activities.

Completed record books are due in the 4-H office in mid-June shortly after the County Fair.

Special Activities – From time to time special camps, tours or educational activities are planned for the county. Notice of these activities will appear in the 4-H newsletter.

Rules and Requirements

4-H Club Guidelines – Clubs must be chartered / re-chartered each year. Chartering is a legal event that allows you to verify the following:

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/publications/>

The minimum requirements a club must meet to receive a charter include:

- Five or more members from more than one family
- One or more teen and/or adult leaders
- Initial plan of operation (for at least 3 months in advance)
- Elected officers
- Each member enrolled in at least one 4-H project experience
- EIN Form (issues by the IRS)
- An official, and approved, club or group name
- Club by-laws, including an Extension-approved dissolution clause

The following information for chartered 4-H clubs **must** be maintained on file in the County Extension Office:

- Proof of chartering through the 4-H CONNECT system.
- 4-H Bylaws – updated and revised annually; bylaws must also include an Extension-approved dissolution clause
- 4-H club information (meeting dates & location)

- Names of current club officers and club managers
- Club contact person and contact address
- Annual plans for club
- Fund raising request forms
- Annual audit report
- EIN Form (issues by the IRS)
- Copy of IRS form 990 or 990-N, filed annually, or proof of attempt to file annually.

The deadline for clubs to submit charter applications is **July 10, 2019**. Any club having questions should contact the County Extension office. If appropriate enrollment is not recorded at the 4-H office, then the club **will not** be recognized as a bona fide 4-H club.

4-H Year and Enrollment - The **4-H year** runs from September 1 of one year through August 31 of the next year. 4-H is on a **zero-based enrollment system** statewide. This means that, unless a 4-H member or leader has filled out enrollment for the new 4-H year, he or she ceases to be a member of 4-H as of August 31 each year. A member legally becomes a 4-H member **when his or her name is entered into the 4-H enrollment program known as 4-H Connect at <https://texas.4honline.com/Login.aspx?403D4079444C6D387A6E595A2F6F3D>** . 4-H'ers names must be in the computer in order to participate in competitive events which require 4-H membership.

Each young person wishing to join a 4-H club will be required to pay a participation fee before being granted membership status. Participation fees are \$20 for those enrolling between September 1, 2018 (or when new enrollment period begins) to October 31, 2018. Beginning November 1, 2018 for the continuation of the 4-H year, the participation fee will be \$25.

It is the policy of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to extend equal opportunities for members and participation in 4-H activities to all Texas youth according to the provisions of Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the American with Disabilities Act of 1991, provided they meet the minimum requirements for membership indicated below.

Age Requirements

Any youth may become a member of 4-H when he or she has reached nine years of age or 8 years of age and has entered the third grade. "Entered the third grade" is interpreted as September 1 of the year the member is enrolled in the third grade.

Youth are eligible to participate in the 2018-2019 4-H year if they are 8 (and in the third grade) or 9 years of age by August 31, 2018 and have not reached their 19th birthday on or before August 31, 2018.

Special education youth who are older than 19 and have not graduated from high school may participate in 4-H and Youth Development programs as members, with approval by the County Extension Agent. Participation is limited to the club or county level. County Extension staff have the option, on a case-by-case basis, to allow Special Education youth older than 19 to participate in competitive events at the club or county level.

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Club Meeting Attendance – In order to show at the Grimes County Fair, a 4-H'er must have attended at least five of the meetings of his or her local 4-H group. These meetings must be all from one club. **The County Extension Staff** will verify whether a 4-H member has met this requirement before the fair based on monthly reports from club managers and 4-H Connect. Meetings are counted for the date of enrollment in 4-H.

2018/2019 Exhibitor Work Rule–(see Grimes County Fair Association Fair Rules for work requirements)

****Monthly Reports**** The Extension Office Staff asks that each club leader turns in monthly reports each month within 2 weeks of their meeting. This allows the office to maintain a file of club sign in sheets, agendas, minutes, and monthly report form. Also, allows for a backup in case of lost or stolen files.

Insurance – The Grimes County 4-H program carries general liability insurance for 4-H activities. Only **4-H members and volunteer leaders who have current enrollment** on the computer are covered as long as they are performing within the scope of 4-H responsibilities. **Certain club activities, such as rodeos or play days, may require additional coverage.** Club managers or activity leaders should check with the office if there is a question regarding coverage.

Communication – 4-H Website <http://grimes.agrilife.org> and Facebook page

4-H Newsletter/email correspondence – The newsletter is the principal means of communication to the 4-H families from the Grimes County 4-H Office. 4-H families should read it thoroughly for notice of events, activities, training's and deadlines. Newsletters are sent via the e-mail that is stated on 4-H Connect and are posted on the county website. They are sent by US mail by request only.

4-H Club Management e-Memo – This memo, contains information important for club managers and leaders. It will be e-mailed as the need arises to get out information. Other information letters may be mailed from time to time.

4-H Council/Leader Training Meetings – These meetings are important means of communication, planning and training for the 4-H program. **Every club should make sure that at least one 4-H member and leader from the club attends every council leader training and annual planning meeting.**

Multi-County Activity

Southern Classic – The Southern Classic is held annually in December and is open to Brazos, Grimes, Madison, Walker, Lee, Ft. Bend, Montgomery, Austin, and Washington County 4-H and FFA members. This event is held at the Brazos County at the Brazos Co. Expo Center. All 4-H members interested in showing hogs, steers, heifers, lambs and goats should plan to participate in this event. This is an excellent opportunity for 4-H and FFA members and parents to gain valuable knowledge related to their project from clinic speakers. It also offers a good chance to practice showmanship techniques and help get animals accustomed to a stock show setting. This is a great educational event and all participants will take home a prize.

District 4-H Activities

District 4-H Council – District 4-H Council is made up of 4-Hers from the 18 counties in the Southeast Extension District (9). Counties in District 9 include Brazoria, Brazos, Burleson, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Grimes, Hardin, Harris, Jefferson, Lee, Liberty, Madison, Montgomery, Orange, San Jacinto, Walker and Waller. Any 4-Her may attend the two annual meetings of the District 4-H Council held in February and August. Voting delegates from the county to District Council are the County 4-H Council President and Council Representative.

District 4-H Shooting Sports – County shooting sports participants are offered a vast array of opportunities, a few of these at the district level include: Archery Contest, Rifle, Air Rifle, & Air Pistol competitions.

District 4-H Consumer Decision-Making Contest – County representatives who have completed a Consumer Decision-Making project may compete in this contest which measures the purchasing skills and judgment of 4-H participants.

District 4-H Fashion Show – Winners of the County Fashion Show compete at the District contest held in April. Participants are judged on outfits and interviews with judges.

District 4-H Food Show and Food Challenge – County food show winners are eligible to compete in the District show in April. Participants are judged on menu preparation, food, and their knowledge of nutrition in interviews with judges.

District 4-H Leadership Lab –This leadership lab is an intensive and fun experience for senior 4-H members. Each year's lab is planned around an educational theme. Cost of the lab includes housing, meals and educational materials.

Junior Leadership Lab – This Lab is very similar to Leadership Lab, but is only attended by Intermediate 4-H Members. This event will be held in November. Location is TBA.

District 4-H Record Book Competition – Winning county record books in each project and age division will advance to District competition. Senior record books that are advancing to state competition will need to be registered on 4-H connect.

Big Time in D9 – (Formerly known as District Roundup.) This year's Roundup event will be setup a bit different. The event is tentatively scheduled for the 1st week of May. All competitions will occur this weekend at one location with the exception of multi district judging. At Big Time in D9, 4-H'ers compete in many different categories of **method demonstrations, quiz bowls and illustrated talks**. **Share the Fun** is one of the most enjoyable 4-H competitions (vocals, dances, celebrate 4-H skits, instrumentals, poetry). This 4-H "Talent Show" allows 4-Hers to enter as individuals or club groups in a variety of different entertainments.

District 4-H Judging Contests – District 4-H Judging events include several types of livestock judging, grass and insect identification, and horse bowl.

District Leader Training and Meetings – Two annual district leader meetings and training are scheduled each year in conjunction with District 4-H Council meetings in February and in August. A variety of training topics are offered at each event and all leaders are welcome. Other area and district project workshops are scheduled throughout the year, and leaders are invited to attend those which fit their schedule and needs.

District 4-H Horse Show – The District Horse show is held in June.

Activities Sponsored by the Prairie View Cooperative Extension Program

Career Awareness & Youth Leadership Lab – Prairie View coordinates a three day leadership lab for senior 4-Hers on its campus in early summer. Nationally-known speakers and workshops dealing with choice making and careers make this an excellent leadership experience.

State 4-H Activities

State 4-H Record Book Competition – Senior winners from each record book category are submitted to this competition. Winners are awarded with trips and/or monetary recognition.

State 4-H Shooting Sports – State wide opportunities in shooting sports include: Postal League, 4-H Archery Camp, Extravaganza, Hunting & Wildlife competitions, State Roundup Indoor Rifle Match, 4-H Shotgun Camp, State 4-H Roundup Archery Match, and State Games.

State 4-H Roundup – Senior winners of district roundup, judging contests, food and fashion shows travel to College Station in June for State 4-H Roundup. Roundup includes leadership and fun activities in addition to the competitions.

State 4-H Congress – Representatives from each county may attend State 4-H Congress each year. Held alternate years at the state capitol in Austin, and other years at locations around the state, the event is the most prestigious leadership event in the state 4-H program.

State 4-H Center – Located near Brownwood, Texas, the State 4-H Center runs camping programs ("Spectra") through the summer months. Special workshops and labs for 4-H leaders, members and agents are scheduled throughout the year. District 9 holds its leadership lab at the State 4-H Center, which has dorm-type facilities.

National 4-H Activities

National 4-H Center – Located in Chevy Chase, Maryland, near the nation's capital, the National 4-H Center runs a number of exciting week-long educational programs for 4-Hers. Included are "Wonders of Washington," "Civil War History Camp," "Citizenship Washington Focus," a science and technology camp and a "Gardens of Washington" horticulture camp. Counties may take 4-H group on pre-arranged stays. 4-H families can also stay at the 4-H Center on a space-available basis during their visits to the nation's capital.

National 4-H Council – With offices housed at the National 4-H Center, the Council operates a number of nation-wide 4-H grant programs funding special education efforts. The **4-H**

Supply Service, from which 4-H medals, awards and promotional materials can be purchased, is also run by the Council.

4-H International Exchange - The National 4-H Council organizes international exchange programs to European countries, South America and Japan.

Exchange Trip Opportunities - National 4-H Council facilitates domestic 4-H exchanges between counties in the continental United States. Normally, counties host and visit on alternate years.

Scholarships

Texas 4-H Foundation - The Texas Foundation awards thousands of dollars to 4-H members every year. Eligibility requirements include available at the Texas 4-H website.

Texas Extension Education Association - Eligibility requirements for this scholarship include: (1) must have completed or be in the third year of 4-H, (2) excel in Consumer Sciences Family and, leadership and personal development through 4-H, (3) will attend college in the fall or spring of the following year, (4) may attend college of choice, (5) must not have passed 19th birthday before January 1 of the current year. To apply, 4-H'ers must complete a record book, include a transcript of high school credits and submit application materials to County Extension Office by February 1.

Dr. O.D. Butler Memorial Scholarship - Dr. O. D. Butler was one of the original founders and board directors of the Brazos Area Hay Producers Association (BAHPA). He was known locally, nationally and internationally for his countless contributions to agriculture and his great desire to educate others. The BAHPA has decided to honor Dr. Butler by establishing the Dr. O. D. Butler Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship opportunity is open to all youth residing in the seven county Brazos Valley area, which includes Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Madison, Milam, Robertson and Washington Counties. The scholarship is available to any 4-H or FFA member, regardless of college major.

Go-Texan Scholarship - (see HLSR.com for current guidelines.) To be able to apply for this scholarship, an applicant must meet criteria of citizenship, residence, academic standing, membership in either 4-H or FFA, recommendations, college/university Applications must be

received by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo no later than the deadline of the calendar year in which the scholarship will be awarded. Must apply online.

Grimes 4-H Book Fund - The Grimes 4-H Book Fund will be awarded to graduating senior (s) who are members (a) in good standing of a Chartered 4-H Club in Grimes County (b) who complete the application (c) and are selected by the Scholarship Committee.

4-H Youth & Development Committee

The primary responsibility of this Committee is to provide overall program direction for the 4-H program and its interaction with school systems and other organizations which serve young people. This Committee is distinct from the 4-H Council, the Adult Leaders Association and any special task forces. The Committee can meet its responsibility by serving as an advisory board which assists the County Extension staff in identifying, prioritizing and coordinating educational programming which can address contemporary issues and development opportunities. In particular, this committee should: insure a coordinated youth development effort among 4-H and other organizations which serve young people; serve as the 4-H Expansion and Review Committee; appoint special task force(s) as needed to insure program implementation; review, interpret and enforce 4-H policy as outlined by county, district and state guidelines; interpret the 4-H and Youth Development Program to appropriate audience(s)

The 4-H and Youth Development Committee should be representative of the county demographic population. Committee members shall be comprised of one third youth, one third adult representatives currently involved with 4-H program activities and one third adult representative who are not directly involved with 4-H. This group will meet at least twice per year to carry out business of this committee.

4-H Finance Task Force

Grimes 4-H has in place a 4-H Finance Task Force to oversee the financial status of our Funds. Each Club is entitled to have two (2) youth members and two (2) adult members serve on this task force. The following offices are elected annually with one being held by a 4-H youth.

Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer

This Task Force helps ensure that all guidelines are followed in accordance with the State 4-H program regarding 4-H club accounts and finances. It is a reminder to all 4-H members and Club Managers that if a club has a checking account or a savings account the following guidelines must be met:

- ❖ It's required that a current signature card on file with the bank in which the account is held with at least one youth and one adult on the signature card.
- ❖ Two parties must sign all checks. A 4-H youth must sign all checks. An adult may not sign solely on a 4-H account.
- ❖ Each October each club will submit to the county Extension Office, an Audit Form for their account that will be submitted to the District Office. These forms are found in the Club Managers Guide.

Any questions or concerns dealing with 4-H Club finances should be taken directly to the County Extension Agents.

Grimes 4-H Participation Guidelines

I. GENERAL

1. In order to be eligible for a 4-H competitive activity or show at the county, district, or state level, a youngster must be a member in good standing with the 4-H program in Grimes County.
2. County Extension Agents will certify, before each event, that each 4-H member competing has met requirements for enrollment and participation required to be a member in good standing.
3. In addition, each 4-H'er in good standing must provide current certificates of academic eligibility to participate in any 4-H competitive activity during the school year.
4. In order to participate in any competitive event or activity during the 4-H year, a 4-H member must have enrolled prior to the competition. All 4-H members not having enrollment on file will be unable to enter 4-H competitive activities until the following 4-H year.
5. In order for 4-H clubs to remain in good standing, the club must have at least one representative at each Adult Leader Association/training meeting during the 4-H year.

II. "PASS, PLAY RULE"

1. In order to participate in any competitive event or activity sponsored by or affiliated with 4-H during the school year, a 4-H member must be academically eligible under the rules of House Bill 72. This includes in-county 4-H food shows, fashion shows, roundup and others; district and state contests; judging events in or out of the county; and livestock shows which require membership in 4-H for participation whether in or out of the county. The academic eligibility rule applies regardless of whether a 4-H member misses school for the activity.
2. Before participating in any competitive event or activity sponsored by Grimes County 4-H during the time school is in session, a 4-H member must have a Declaration of Eligibility Form signed by the school principal or designee and the county agent.
3. The form must declare the student eligible to participate as of the date and time of the activity. In cases where a student moves from eligibility to ineligibility, the

school will determine the exact date and time eligibility ends. If a student becomes ineligible, the project becomes ineligible.

4. The Declaration of Eligibility Form is required whether or not a 4-H member is absent from school, if the event or activity occurs during the school year.
5. Since Clover Kids activities (under grade 3) are non-competitive, Declaration of Eligibility Forms are not required.
6. When entering an out-of-county contest during the school year, completed Declaration of Eligibility Forms should be taken to the contest regardless of whether a 4-H member is missing school to participate. If forms are not taken up at the contest, they should be maintained in a file at home for documentation should future questions of eligibility arise. This is particularly important if the 4-Her was a contest winner or alternate, won a monetary award, or participated in a sale.
7. Original Declaration of Eligibility Forms should be obtained from the Extension office or may be faxed to your school with the certification and signature of a County Agent. Forging signatures on a form or changing the completed form in such a way as to misrepresent the information contained in the form is illegal.

III. YOUTH FAIR (See Grimes County Fair Association Fair Book)

www.grimescountyfair.com

IV. CLUB OFFICERS

1. In order for members to be able to hold club and council offices (chairman, vice-chairman, secretary, treasurer and council delegate), they must have attended at least 75% of their monthly club meeting the current year before elections are held.
2. Upon the third unexcused absence from club or council meetings, an officer will be replaced by a new officer elected by the club or council.

Grimes County 4-H Awards Program

- ❖ Each year, outstanding county 4-Hers are recognized at the County 4-H Awards Banquet. Awards are based on information contained in the **4-H Record Book**. (Guidelines and instructions for assembly of record books can be obtained from the Extension Office.) The following awards are given on an annual basis. Competitive awards may only be received once in the 4-H member's career and 4-H members must submit a record book to be eligible. A panel of judges will interview each finalist, no make-up interviews will be given unless under extreme emergency. Each award may only be won once, however volunteer awards may be won more than once.

COMPETITIVE AWARDS

Senior 4-H Awards:

Gold Star Award

The **Gold Star Belt Buckle** is the highest county achievement award and intended to be received only once in a member's 4-H career. Three (3) recipients may receive the award annually.

Eligibility Requirements

The applicant must be a member in good standing with a local 4-H Club and with the Grimes 4-H program. He or she must have been enrolled in 4-H by January 1 of the previous year. The member must be at least 15 years of age as of September 1 of the current year and must have completed at least 3 years in 4-H at the end of the current 4-H year.

The 4-H member must have completed projects in three different project areas, including submission of appropriate record forms, and have participated in activities in three or more of the following areas:

- Educational Presentation Contest
- Citizenship/service activities
- Leadership Labs
- 4-H public relations/promotion
- Project group/workshops
- Project exhibit
- Camp

Applicants will be judged on the following criteria **during the last three years** as evidenced by their 4-H Record Book: Leadership, Community Service, and Project Work. They **must** have received the I Dare You Award and applicant must not have previously received the Gold Star Award.

Applicants will be judged on the following systems during the awards interview:

- Question responses
- Poise
- Leadership

I Dare You Award

The **I Dare You Award** is offered as recognition of excellence in character and well-balanced personal development as well as demonstrated leadership. Up to (3) recipients may be selected annually for the award.

Eligibility Requirements

The applicant must be a member in good standing with a local 4-H Club and with the Grimes 4-H program. He or she must have been enrolled in 4-H by January 1 of the previous year. The member must be at least 14 years of age as of September 1 of the current year.

Applicants will be judged on the following criteria **during the last three years** as evidenced by their 4-H Record Book:

- Leadership,
- Community Service,
- Project Work.

Applicants will be judged on the following systems during their awards interview:

- Question responses
- Poise
- Leadership

Intermediate Awards

Silver Star Award

The **Silver Star Award** will be presented each year to (two) outstanding 4-H Intermediate members at the County Awards Banquet.

Eligibility Requirements:

The 4-H'er must be at least 11 years of age as of September 1 of the current year.

The 4-H member must have completed at least two (2) years in 4-H, including the current year.

Applicants will be judged on the following criteria **during the last two years** as evidenced by their 4-H Record Book:

- Leadership,
- Community Service,
- Project Work.

Applicants will be judged on the following system:

- Question responses
- Poise
- Leadership

Intermediate 4-H'er of the Year Award

The **Intermediate 4-H'er of the Year Award** is presented to two (2) Intermediate 4-H Members each year for outstanding accomplishment and participation in the Grimes 4-H program during the **current 4-H year**.

Eligibility Requirements

The applicant must be a member in good standing with a local 4-H Club and with the Grimes 4-H program. He or she must have been enrolled in 4-H by January 1 of the previous year.

The member must be at least 11 years of age as of September 1 of the current year.

Applicants will be judged on the following criteria **during the current 4-H year** as evidenced by their 4-H Record Book:

- Leadership,
- Community Service,
- Project Work.

Applicants will be judged on the following systems:

- Question responses
- Poise
- Leadership

Rookie of the Year Award (*this is the only award that can be received of any age division*)

The **Rookie of the Year Award** is given annually to two (2) **first year 4-H members** for outstanding participation in the Grimes County 4-H Program.

Eligibility Requirements

The applicant must be a member in good standing with a local 4-H Club and with the Grimes County 4-H program. He or she must have been enrolled in 4-H by September 1 of the previous year. The applicant must be between the ages of 8 and 18 as of September 1 of the current year or in at least the third grade during the previous school year, and be a first year 4-H member.

Applicants will be judged on the following criteria **during the current 4-H year** as evidenced by their 4-H Record Book:

- Leadership,
- Community Service,
- Project Work.

Applicants will be judged on the following systems based on the awards interview:

- Question responses
- Poise
- Leadership

Junior Awards.

Bronze Star

The **Bronze Star Award** will be presented each year to 2 (two) outstanding 4-H junior members at the County Awards Banquet...

The **Rookie of the Year Award** can go to any age group and will be presented each year to 2 (two) outstanding 4-H member that are entering their first year of 4-H and that showed outstanding leadership.

Eligibility Requirements.

The 4-H'er must be at least 8, 9 or 10 years of age as of September 1 of the current year.

The 4-H member must be in their first, second or third year.

A 4-H member may not receive the Bronze Star and Rookie of the year Award in the same year.

The 4-H member must submit a record book in the year he/she is to be considered for the award.

Applicants will be judged on the following criteria: **during the previous and current year** as evidenced by their 4-H Record Book:

- Leadership,
- Community Service,
- Project Work.

Applicants will be judged on the following system based on the awards interview:

- Question responses
- Poise
- Leadership

4-H Project Awards/Record Book Competition

4-H Project Awards will be presented annually to 4-H members who submit completed 4-H Record Books in one of the project categories of the **4-H County Record Book Competition**. Blue, red or white ribbons will be awarded in 4-H Record Book Competitions. Top county intermediate, junior and senior record books in each of the project areas will advance to **District 4-H Record Book Competition**. In addition, winning **senior** record books may advance to the **State 4-H Record Book Competition**, and be eligible for other awards programs and scholarships.

Project pins will be awarded to 4-H'ers with 1 (Bronze pin), 2 (Silver pin), and 3 or more (Gold pin) projects based on the **project report form**.

Eligibility Requirements

The applicant must be a member in good standing with a local 4-H Club and with the Grimes 4-H program. He or she must have been enrolled in 4-H by January 1 of the previous year. The member must have been at least 8 years old by September 1 of the current year, or in at least the third grade during the previous school year.

The 4-H member must submit a complete 4-H Record Book or project completion form in a project area of the County 4-H Record Book Competition in the year he or she is to be considered for the award.

4-H Key Awards

The 4-H Key Award is non-competitive recognition awarded to each 4-H member who meets certain criteria for excellence and commitment to a broad range of 4-H activities. Standards for each of the key awards included strong project work and exhibits; club, county, and district participation and leadership; community service; method demonstrations; and record keeping. The high standards for the key awards guarantee an elite group of recipients.

Bronze Key Award

Each Junior member will be designated a Bronze Key 4-Her if he or she meets the following criteria during any 4-H year:

- Completes at least one project during the current 4-H year.
- Turns in a completed 4-H Record Book in the year he or she is being considered for the award.

- Does a method demonstration, illustrated talk or public speech on at least one project.
- Serves on a planning committee at the club or county level.
- Participates in a community service project.

Silver Key Award

Each Intermediate 4-H member will be designated a Silver Key 4-Her if he or she meets the following criteria during any 4-H year:

- Completes at least 2 projects during the current 4-H year.
- Turns in a completed 4-H Record Book in the year he or she is being considered for the award.
- Does a method demonstration, illustrated talk or public speech on at least one project.
- Participates in a "promote 4-H" activity.
- Takes a prospective 4-H member to a 4-H activity as a guest.
- Participates in at least one school, community, or church activity.
- Assists 4-H leader with a least 2 club or project group activities.
- Serves on a planning committee at the county level.
- Participates in a community service project.

Gold Key Award

Each Senior 4-H member will be designated a Gold Key 4-Her if he or she meets the following criteria during any 4-H year:

- Completes at least 4 projects during the current 4-H year.
- Turns in a completed 4-H Record Book in the year he or she is being considered for the award.
- Does two method demonstrations, illustrated talks or public speeches on at least one project.
- Participates as an exhibitor in the Grimes County Fair.
- Participates in a "promote 4-H" activity
- Participates in at least two school, community or church activities.
- Serves as a Junior or Teen Leader for a club or project group.
- Participates in County 4-H Council, attending at least 2 meetings.
- Serves on at least one county level planning committee.
- Participates in at least one 4-H leadership activity at the District or State Level.

GRIMES 4-H COUNCIL STANDING RULES

(Revised August 4, 2012)

1. NAME

The name of this organization is the Grimes 4-H Council.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose shall be to develop leadership, to promote and encourage 4-H work and to coordinate 4-H activities in the county.

3. MEMBERSHIP

- A. Membership of the Grimes 4-H Council is open to all youth, irrespective of race, color, national origin or disability and shall consist of two voting delegates from each 4-H Club and the Executive Committee of the Grimes 4-H Council.
- B. In the event a regularly elected voting delegate cannot serve, an alternate may be selected by the club concerned with the alternate having all rights and privileges of a regularly elected voting delegate
- C. Members shall be at least 14 and not 19 years of age by August 31 of the year in which they are installed and have at least one year of 4-H club membership, including the current year.
- D. The term of office of County 4-H Council members shall be from the August Council Meeting to the next July Council meeting in the following year.

4. OFFICERS

The officers of the Grimes County 4-H Council shall be Chairperson, 1st Vice-Chairperson, 2nd Vice-Chairperson, 3rd Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Historian, Reporter, and Delegate-at-Large.

- A. The Chairperson, 1st Vice-Chairperson, and Delegate-at-Large must be 16 year of age and not be 19 years of age before August 31 of the year they are installed.
- B. All officers shall have at least one year left in high school.
- C. All officers must be Grimes 4-H Club Officers. All candidates must have attended a County 4-H Council meeting of the current year. They do not have to attend as a voting delegate from their respective club.
- D. An officer is not eligible to serve in the same office for two terms.

E. There shall be no more than two officers elected from any one club unless there are not eligible candidates who meet criteria to run for office. The Chairperson and 1st Chairperson cannot be from the same club.

5. TERM OF OFFICE

Officers shall be elected annually and shall not be eligible for the same office for more than one term.

6. ANNUAL MEETINGS AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Officers shall be elected at the May Council meeting. The time and place will be determined by the Extension Agents. Officers and committee chairmen shall give reports of work that has been done during their term of office. Standing rules shall be read, considered and revised as needed and adopted.

Election Procedure:

- A. Candidates for County Offices should in written correspondence express that they wish to seek office by the County deadline and present a speech as to why they should be elected to an office prior to elections.
- B. All eligible applicants will be introduced and allowed the opportunity to give a talk focusing on 4-H.
- C. Election will be by secret ballot.
- D. Majority (50% + 1) of those voting delegates present.
- E. A runoff is between the TOP TWO CANDIDATES or ADDITIONAL CANDIDATES IN CASE OF A TIE (SAME NUMBER OF VOTES).
- F. The voting order for 4-H Council Officers is Chairperson, 1st Vice-Chairperson, 2nd Vice-Chairperson, 3rd vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Reporter, Historian, and Delegate-at-Large.

7. MONEY RECEIVED AND PAID OUT

The treasurer shall make a treasurer's report at each meeting and at any other time upon request of the Chairperson of the council.

8. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Chairperson, 1st Vice-Chairperson, 2nd Vice-Chairperson, 3rd Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Historian, Reporter, Delegate-at-Large and Sentinel.

9. MEETINGS

There will be not less than six meetings during the year. The Executive Committee working with the Agents will set the dates for additional meetings, as necessary.

10. VOTING BODY

The voting body shall consist of the members as defined in Rule 3.

11. QUORUM

The quorum shall consist of 50% + 1 of the voting members present.

12. BYLAW AMENDMENT

These rules may be amended by majority vote of the members present and voting at any regular meeting of the 4-H Council at which a quorum is present. Members shall be notified in writing at least seven days before the date on which the amendment is to be enacted.

13. GRIMES 4-H COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Be it resolved by the Grimes 4-H Council that no member of the council shall consume alcoholic beverages, use illegal drugs or tobacco products while traveling to and from or participation in 4-H activities. In the event a 4-H Council member violates this resolution, disciplinary action will be taken by the Executive Committee with the Extension Agents serving as advisors.

GRIMES ADULT LEADERS & PARENTS ASSOCIATION CHARTER AND BY-LAWS

CHARTER

Purpose. The purpose of this Association is to develop and support volunteer leaders to serve the needs of 4-H members.

Functions.

1. Plan and conduct adult leader training programs based upon the needs of the leaders.
2. Foster leader participation in county, district, and state education programs.
3. Advise County Extension Agents of 4-H adult leader needs.
4. Provide opportunities for fellowship and an exchange of ideas among leaders.
5. Assist in planning, implementing, and evaluating county and district 4-H events and activities.
6. Assist in the development of resources to support the County 4-H program.
7. Interpret the 4-H program to the public.
8. Promote a feeling of unity of purpose among volunteer 4-H leaders.

BY-LAWS

1. **NAME:** The name of this association shall be the Grimes Adult Leaders and Parents Association (GALPA).
2. **MEMBERSHIP:** All adult volunteer 4-H leaders who serve in Grimes County and parents whose children participate in Grimes County 4-H are members of the Association, regardless of the leadership role they perform. Membership is opened to all 4-H adults regardless of age, socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.
3. **VOTING BODY:** The body shall consist of 4-H Leaders and 4-H Parents who are present at the meeting. The GALPA Chairman shall have a vote.
4. **QUORUM:** A quorum shall consist of four (4) members of the voting membership present, which must include two (2) executive officers.

5. **OFFICERS.** The elective officers of this association shall be the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer. They will be elected at the **last** business meeting of the 4-H year.
 - a. All officers shall be nominated from the floor with a variety of representation from the different clubs or by a nominating committee.
 - b. To be an elected officer, a person must be a leader at least one year and attend at least four of the Adult Leaders meeting the previous year before being elected.
 - c. A vacancy occurring in any office shall be filled by a majority vote of the Association members.
 - d. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall serve as delegates to the District Adult Leaders Association or who is designated by the committee.

6. **TERM OF OFFICE.** All officers shall be elected for one (1) year terms beginning after officer installation during the **first** business meeting of the 4-H year, usually in September.

7. **COMMITTEES.** The Association shall have standing committees and special committees as needed. If a committee fails to complete its duties and responsibilities and submit a report at the appropriate time, the Chairman has the authority to reappoint other members and/or chairman if necessary.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES. Special committees may be formed as the need arises to work on projects.

8. **MEETINGS.** There shall be six (6) business meetings a year.

9. **FUNDS.** The funds will be run through the Grimes 4-H council. Signatures shall be on file at the First National Bank of Anderson for the 4-H account and certificates of deposit. Checks require two signatures from the signatures on file with the bank, one Adult and one 4-H Council member.

10. **BOOK FUNDS** will be awarded each year, if money is available.

11. **DISSOLUTION CLAUSE.**
 - a. In the event that a local club disbands or becomes inactive or over an extended period of time, all of its money, equipment, paraphernalia, and name will become property of the Grimes 4-H Program. However, if a local club's bylaws

contain a “dissolution clause” describing disposal procedures for club resources, then the club’s bylaws and clause supersede this and all other similar Council and Association rules.

- b. In the event that 4-H in Grimes County dissolves, a Grimes 4-H Dissolution Committee will be appointed. Member of the committee will be appointed. Members of this committee will represent Council and GALPA and will be composed of seven (7) members: Three (3) Council and four (4) GALPA representatives. The committee will make recommendations to disperse 4-H assets and will make recommendations to the joint body of Council and GALPA. The final decision will be made by Council and GALPA jointly.

12. **ASSOCIATION ADVISORS:** County Extension Agents shall serve as advisors to the Association. Other resource people and agencies may be called on as consultants.

13. **AMENDMENTS:** The bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any Association business meeting. However, written notice of the proposed amendments must be sent to Association members and County Extension Agents prior to the business meeting.

- A copy of the current bylaws will be available on the website and in the secretary’s minutes.

14. **BYLAW REVIEW:** The bylaws shall be reviewed every year.

2018 – 2019 GRIMES COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chairman – Hannah Atkinson

1st Vice Chairman – Chyna Williams

2nd Vice Chairman – Autumn Atkinson

3rd Vice Chairman – Kirstie Busa

Secretary – Kierra Lee

Treasurer – Ariana Gonzalez

Reporter – Kirstie Busa

Historian – Chyna Williams

Parliamentarian – Autumn Atkinson

Delegate At Large – Hannah Atkinson

Grimes Adult Leaders Association Officers

Chairman – Mae Brooks

Vice Chairman – Ann Mitchell

Secretary – Myra Gonzalez

Treasurer – Linda Finch

4-H Finance Task Force Officers

Chairman – Mae Brooks

Vice Chairman – Ann Mitchell

Secretary – Hannah Atkinson

Treasurer – Linda Finch/Ariana Gonzalez

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Grimes 4-H Club Profile

Name of Club	Meeting Time	Meeting Place	Club Manager	Phone Number/email
Anderson 4-H	2 nd Sunday, 4 p.m.	Anderson Fire Dept	Debby Kimich	936-662-6901 debby@fnbanderson.com
Charm & Sewing 4-H	4th Sunday, 5 p.m.	Greater First Baptist Church 904 W Johnson Ave-Anderson	Ann Mitchell	936-577-4803 dcowgirl2008@aol.com
Courtney-White Hall 4-H	2 nd Sunday, 6:00 PM	White Hall Community Center	Linda Robbins	979-219-0579 Bassfish80@gmail.com
Iola 4-H	2nd Sunday 7:00 p.m.	Iola Community Center	Lindsay Willis Christy Jurney Torri Whitaker	979-229-8205 Iola4hclub@gmail.com
Plantersville Kountry Kikkers 4-H	2 nd Sunday, 6 p.m.	Plantersville Town Hall	Sandra Kuta	936-870-5550 sandrakuta@peoplepc.com
Navasota Jr. 4-H	1 st Monday, 7 p.m.	Grimes County Expo Center Main Hall	Becky Fowler Mandi Wrobleski	936-661-5849 sweet_thing4691@yahoo.com
Navasota Sr. 4-H	1 st Monday, 7 p.m.	Grimes County Expo Center Main Hall	Charlene Moriarty Brett Fowler	825-4876 charlenem@myalpha1.net
Grimes 4-H Shooting Club	3 rd Sunday, 2 p.m.	Anderson KC Hall	Rick Atkinson Sherrie Walpole	281-794-3279 ratkinson0601@hotmail.com 979-739-3932 Sherrie0909@gmail.com

NOTE: Must be a member and attend at least 5 club meetings, of the same club, prior to the fair. This is a Grimes County Fair Board rule for all who participate in the Grimes County Fair.