

Lee County Recordbook Training

Phase 3

The next time that the Lee County 4-H Counsel will meet we will be working on starting a 4-H Record Book. Below is the order that the information will be in the finished product. We will only work on ONE section at time so it is not so overwhelming.

Section III - 4-H Community Service (2 page maximum, current year's information only): Community service is the opportunity for 4-H members to go out into the community and help others, or to improve the quality of the town and the lives of those around them. How do you know if what you have been doing is community service? Ask yourself: "What did I do to help other people because of 4-H?". The Texas 4-H Report Form provides two pages to tell about these community service experiences for the current 4-H year.

Community service listed in the Texas 4-H Report Form should be limited to two pages and should be "coded" by the amount of community service and number of persons involved in the activity.

There are three codes that reflect this:

- "Y" Yourself – this was a community service project that you did all by yourself with no help from other 4-H members or club.
- "P" Provided Primary Leadership – you were the organizer, you made all the arrangements, and recruited other 4-H members to help you.
- "M" Member of a Group – when another 4-H member called asking for help, you were there as a worker and helper.

This section is for community service activities only and not for citizenship experiences (citizenship is a project; **see category description document for more details**).

Section IV - Other 4-H Projects (1 page maximum, current 4-H year's information only): lets the member briefly tell about other 4-H projects not listed in Section I. These are not the 4-Her's main project area, but have enhanced the individual's 4-H experience. Be sure to summarize the project knowledge and skills gained. The Texas 4-H Report Form provides one page to tell about these other 4-H projects for the current 4-H year.

Section V - 4-H Recognition and Awards (1 page maximum, current 4-H year's information only): Awards and recognition are important in the 4-H program. They provide an opportunity for 4-H members to be recognized for all of their hard work and dedication to a 4-H project, leadership provided to others, community service activities, and of course for being the “best all around 4-H member.” This section allows 4-H members to say, “Look at what I have been recognized for!” In one page, list the awards that made the member proud, starting with the current year. The Texas 4-H Report Form provides one page to tell about these recognitions and awards for the current 4-H year.

Section VI - Other Activities (1 page maximum, current 4-H year's information only): This section allows the member to show off school, church, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, or other youth organization activities, leadership, community service, and awards and recognition. There is a one-page limit to tell about all of these exciting things. The Texas 4-H Report Form provides one page to tell about these other activities experiences for the current 4-H year.

Section VII - College and Career Exploration (1 page maximum, current year's information only): List **4-H and non 4-H** activities that have helped the member learn more about careers or the necessary education to enter a career of interest. Examples of these activities include: presentation by professional, interviews, tours, job shadowing, research, mentoring, work experience, skill development, course work, etc. The Texas 4-H Report Form provides one page to tell about these college and career exploration activities for the current 4-H year. Month and year is all that is needed.