

# Liberty County 4-H

## Awards Criteria

Liberty County 4-H members, who are interested in earning an award at the county awards banquet, will be responsible for documenting and submitting attached "Point Log" to the County Extension Office with points earned according to the awards criteria below.

### Goal:

The Awards Criteria will award 4-H members in a positive manner that is fair and consistent. The Liberty County 4-H Point log also set up to reflect the information needed to complete a 4-H record book during the year.

### Description:

Each member will have access to the "Point Log" to log their points.

- "Point Logs" will be available on the county website, at the Extension Office, or with your Club Managers.
- It is the responsibility of the 4-H member to ensure "Point Logs" are signed by the club manager or assistant, parent/guardian, and child and submitted to the Extension Office.
- "Point Logs" must be complete with manager signature and/or project leader, or Agent signature. (The signature by the club manager will be to signify that the club manager/project leader is aware and in agreement with the member about the said event.)
- **Points will be verified according to the Awards Criteria and all points are subject to approval. Points are tallied by the Extension Office. Members may not receive points for every item listed on the point log.**
- Any points not addressed in the "Awards Criteria" or in question will be submitted to the Liberty County Volunteer Leaders Association of Texas (VLAT) for approval. Liberty County VLAT is open to any 4-H adult leader that wants to volunteer their time to help in the decision-making process for the Liberty County 4-H Program.

### How to Earn Points?

Members will receive one point for each of the areas in which they participate. (project experience, leadership, community service.) Activities such as workshops, clinics, trainings, jackpot shows, and any 4-H or Extension sponsored event/activity, etc. **Members will NOT receive points for regular daily project work. Points are designed to be given for activities above and beyond regular everyday activities.**

\*\*\*For project meetings that occur weekly, the 4-H member will receive 1 point for every 4 activities attended. (Example: Horse practice- members will receive ¼ point each week that they attend, JMG members who meet weekly will receive ¼ point for each meeting that they attend)\*\*\*

### One Point

- Attend a monthly chartered 4-H club meeting. A maximum of 9 points per 4-H year can

- be accumulated per chartered club enrolled.
- Prepare and present an educational program at a 4-H club meeting or local organization for at least 10 minutes.
  - Participate in Community Service Project (organized by Club, County, and/or District)  
Examples: (not limited to)
    - One Day 4-H - state community project recognized in October
    - Club Food, Clothes, or School Supplies Drive
    - Collect "Coins for Kids" to provide gifts for families at Christmas
    - Toy Drive "Brown Bag Buddies"
    - "Adopt a Soldier"
    - Christmas and Valentines Cards for soldiers
  - Assistance with community events. (i.e. health fair, educational events conducted by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, banquet set-up/clean-up)
  - Participate in a county-wide approved fundraisers  
Example:  
Pecan Sales - One point will be awarded for every 10 bags sold. Each 4-H member will have to turn in separate order forms and points will be awarded individually.
  - Attend 4-H sponsored Workshop/Camp with Club, County or District: (one point will be awarded for each event.)  
Examples: Field Trips, Leader College, County-wide Project Clinics, Multi-County Project, Senior Leader Lab, Junior Leader Lab, Livestock Ambassador Camp, 4-H Congress, 4-H Prime Time, etc.
  - 4-H Promotional Service Events -  
Radio Broadcast  
Represent 4-H in a promotional way (i.e. parade, festival, booth, health fair, school events, and livestock show booth)  
Speaking/Performing/Presenting a program for a local event or another 4-H club meeting. County Commissioner Appreciation events.
  - 4-H members who serve as an Ambassador and complete the annual requirements.
  - 4-H sponsored shows/contests - **One point per project area.**  
4-H County Contests: Food Show, Food Challenge, Fashion Show, Consumer Decision Making Contest, Round Up, Judging Contest, Quiz Bowl, etc.)  
4-H District & State Contests - 4-H sponsored only.  
Shooting Sports - 4-H sponsored shoots only.  
Horse Show - 4-H sponsored only.  
Livestock Judging Contest - 4-H sponsored only unless approved below or by VLAT.
  - Non-4-H sponsored shows/contests approved: **One point per project area.**  
**Exhibitor must be entered under 4-H.** (Example Record book project areas: Beef, Swine, Rabbit, Photography, Food & Nutrition, Horticulture, Horse, Shooting Sports.)  
Trinity Valley Exposition (TVE)  
Cleveland Livestock Show  
Dayton FFA Livestock Show  
Fall and Spring Major Livestock Show: (Junior show only, no Open Shows)  
State Fair of Texas, Fort Worth Livestock Show, San Antonio Livestock Show, Houston Livestock Show, South Texas State Fair, Star of Texas, Texas Rice

Festival, and San Angelo.

*All other events in question need to be submitted to VLAT in the manner stated below.*

**Complete 4-H Record book**

- Submitted to County by deadline 10 pts.
- Submitted to County by deadline and advance to District 1 pt.
- Submitted to County by deadline and advance to District and State 1 pt.

**For approval of various events not listed or addressed:**

4-H members need to seek Event Approval with the VLAT.

1. To seek approval a written request needs to be submitted to the VLAT.  
Liberty County 4-H VLAT  
501 Palmer Ave.  
Liberty, TX 77575
2. VLAT will vote on approval and event will be added to Awards Criteria.
3. A member of VLAT will notify the member requesting approval in a timely manner not to exceed 30 days.

**Prize Levels**

The points accumulated throughout the year that are submitted on "Point Logs" by the designated deadline and approved by the VLAT will determine Prize Level for 4-H members at Awards Banquet. Not all prize level recipients will have a choice of their awards, this is typically a privilege of the gold and platinum point level recipients.

15 points will earn a Bronze level prize valued under \$20.00

16-25 points will earn a Silver level prize valued at \$20.00 - \$30.00.

26-35 points will earn a Gold level prize valued at \$30.00 - \$40.00

36 points and above will earn a Platinum level prize valued at \$40.00 - \$50.00

**Examples of Past Awards:**

Buckles	4-H Pendants	Hat Boxes
Duffle Bags	Chair	Tumblers
Garment Bags	Personalized Hoodies	Wind Breakers
Knives	Knife Sharpeners	