

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 a “Point Log” to the County Extension Office with points earned according to the criteria below.

Goal:

The Awards Criteria will give all Liberty County 4-H members an opportunity to be recognized and receive an award in a positive manner that is fair and consistent.

Description:

- 4-H Members must be enrolled on 4-H Connect as an active member before points are counted.
- Each member will receive a “Point Log” to keep track of their points throughout the 4-H year. (For 4-H Year 2015-2016 July 1st through June 30th)
- The “Point Log” is available on the county 4-H website (<http://agrillife.org/liberty4h>), at the Extension Office, or with your Club Managers.
- It is the responsibility of the 4-H member to insure the “Point Log” is completed in a timely manner, signed by the club manager or assistant and submitted to the Extension Office.
- The “Point Log” must be complete with signatures within 60 days after the event. (The signature by the club manager will be to signify that the club manager 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.
- 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 these areas in which they actively participate.

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.
- Attend a monthly Liberty County Council Meeting.
- 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 Service Project – state recognized 4-H community project in October.
 - Food, Clothes, or School Supplies Drive organized by 4-H club or announced in 4-H Newsletter.

- Collect “Coins for Kids” to provide gifts for families at Christmas (1 point per year)
- Toy Drive “Brown Bag Buddies”
- “Adopt a Soldier”
- Christmas/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 (no club fundraisers count)

Examples:

- 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.
- Children’s Book Drive – One point for every 10 books turned into the Extension Office.
- Attend 4-H sponsored Workshop/Camp with Club, County or District: (one point will be awarded for each event.)

Examples: 4-H Lock-In, 4-H Fun Day, Recordbook Trainings, Field Trips, Leader College, County-wide Project Clinics, Multi-County Project, Senior Leader Lab, Junior Leader Lab, Livestock Ambassador Camp, Leader Institute, 4-H Congress, 4-H Prime Time, District Council Meeting, etc.

- 4-H Promotional Service Events -
- Radio Broadcast
- Represent 4-H in a promotional way (ie. parade, festival, booth, health fair, school events, livestock show booth)
- Speaking/Performing/Presenting a program for a local event or another 4-H club meeting.
- Paper Clover Promotion Day - Support Paper Clover Event at Tractor Supply, by offering community service at the store locations in Cleveland and Liberty.
- December County Commissioners Court Breakfast
- 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, Public Speaking Contest, S.E.T. – Science Engineering & Technology, Leaders for Life Contest, 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. **Must be entered under 4-H.** (Example: Recordbook project areas - Beef, Swine, Rabbit, Photography, Food & Nutrition, Horticulture, Horse, Shooting Sports, Public Speaking, Consumer Decision Making Contest, etc.)
- Trinity Valley Exposition (TVE)
- Cleveland Livestock Show
- Dayton FFA Livestock Show
- Fall and Spring Major Livestock Show: (Junior show only) 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, San Angelo, National Super Ride 4-H division.

- *All events in question need to be submitted to VLAT in the manner stated below or will be subject to approval at the time the Log is turned in to Extension Office.*

4-H Camp (district, region, state level)

- 4-H Congress 10 pts.
- 4-H Leadership Lab or Jr. Leadership Lab 10 pts.
- Other upon approval.

Complete 4-H Recordbook

- 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.

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

Cc: Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

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2. VLAT will vote on approval and event will be added to Awards Criteria.
3. A member of VLAT will notify member requesting approval in a timely manner not to exceed 60 days.

Prize Level

The qualifying points accumulated throughout the year, documented on the “Point Log” and submitted to the Extension Office by the designated deadline will determine the Prize Level for 4-H members at the Awards Banquet in September.

1-14 points will earn a Certificate and prize selected by Extension Office/VLAT

15 points will earn a prize from Category A prizes

25 points will earn a prize from the Category B **or** A prizes

35 points will earn a prize from the Category C, B **or** A

45 points will earn a prize from the Category D, C, B **or** A

(one prize per qualifying member)

Prizes to be determined.

The 2015-2016 Awards Criteria may be subject to revision. Any changes will be printed and mailed with the monthly 4-H Newsletter.

2015-2016 Point Logs Due to Extension Office No Later than June 15th to ensure awards are ordered and arrive prior to Banquet.

Questions?

Contact the Liberty County Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office at (936)334-3230.

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