

BELL COUNTY 4-H
2026 SENIOR AWARD APPLICATION PACKET
Grades 9-12

Please place a check by the award(s) that you are applying for:

<input type="checkbox"/> Rookie Award	<input type="checkbox"/> I Dare You Award
<input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Community Service Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Award (Juniors/Seniors in HS only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Letterman Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Gold Star Award

(25-26 Recordbook Required for I Dare You Award and Gold Star Award)

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

PARENTS'/GUARDIANS' NAMES: _____

4-H CLUB: _____ NUMBER OF YEARS IN 4-H: _____

RECORDBOOK PROJECT AREA 2025-2026: _____

ALL APPLICANTS:

Please write a paragraph summarizing your accomplishments that could be read at the 4-H awards banquet:

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and correct.

4-H Member's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

If parent/guardian is the 4-H club manager, then this section must be completed by another 4-H leader.

Club Manager's Signature

Date

2026 ROOKIE AWARD APPLICATION

MUST BE A FIRST OR SECOND YEAR 4-H MEMBER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS AWARD.

SECTION 1: Must meet all criteria listed in this section.	1 st year	2 nd year
Complete at least one 4-H project. 4-H Project:		
Attend 2/3 of regular 4-H club meetings.		
SECTION 2: Must meet all criteria listed in this section.	1 st year	2 nd year
Bring parents to 50% of regular 4-H club meetings.		
Participate in a community service activity. List Activity: __		
Participate in a county-wide 4-H activity. List Activity: __		
Participate in a school or community activity. List Activity: __		

2026 OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD:

4-H members age 14 or older may apply for this award. A 4-H member may receive this award only one time. Members must submit a typed essay of 1,200 words maximum, double spaced in a font no smaller than 12 explaining their community service campaign. There is no record book requirement for this award. Essays will be judged by county officials directly connected with 4-H that do not have children involved in 4-H. The Outstanding Community Service Award winner will receive a plaque. Applications are due at the same time as 4-H Award Applications.

2026 LETTERMAN AWARD APPLICATION

All 4-H members, ages 14 to 19 years old, are eligible to receive this award one time.
All requirements may be completed in one year or within the time that a member is a Senior.

SECTION 1: Must meet all criteria listed in this section.	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Complete at least three 4-H projects.			
Attend 2/3 of regular 4-H club meetings.			
SECTION 2: Must complete 12 of the 17 following criteria.	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year
Serve as a Junior Leader or Teen Leader.			
Serve on a county 4-H committee. Committee: _____			
Serve as chair of a committee or as an elected officer. Position: _____			
Assist in conducting a county 4-H activity or program. List: _____			
Provide training or presentation to a 4-H project group. List: _____			
Organize and conduct a community service activity. List: _____			
Participate in a county, district, or state 4-H leadership training. Training: _____			
Write a news article or be on radio or TV promoting 4-H. Title of Event for Article: _____			
Provide training or presentation at a county level 4-H activity. List Event: _____			
Organize and teach a 4-H short-term special interest project to a new audience. Project: _____			
Organize a new 4-H club. Club: _____			
Participate in a district, state, or national 4-H event/activity. List Event: _____			
Promote 4-H in the community to non-4-H members.			
Serve in a leadership position in an organization other than 4-H List Position: _____			
Turn in a complete 4-H Record Book.			
Research career opportunities.			
Participate in a school or community activity. List Activity: _____			

2026 “I DARE YOU” and GOLD STAR AWARD APPLICATION

PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF THE 2025-2026 RECORDBOOK TO THE APPLICATION
YOU MUST ALSO FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS BELOW:

List your 4-H projects and the number of years you have been involved in each.

What do you consider to be your most outstanding 4-H project? Why?

What is the most memorable experience you have had in connection with 4-H? (Can be funniest, most unusual, biggest lesson learned, etc.)

What have you learned from 4-H?

2026 BELL COUNTY 4-H SENIOR AWARD CHECKLIST

Please check the appropriate box to indicate that criteria have been met.

SECTION 1: Must meet both criteria all three years.	9 th grade	10 th grade	11 th grade
Complete three or more 4-H projects			
Attendance at 50% of regular 4-H club meetings			
SECTION 2: Must meet 15 of the 18 criteria listed below in order to be eligible.			
Serve as a Junior Leader or Teen Leader			
Serve as Chair of a committee or an elected officer			
Committee:			
Serve on a county 4-H Committee:			
Assist in conducting a county 4-H activity or program			
Activity:			
Provide training or a presentation to a 4-H project group			
Activity:			
Organize and conduct a community service			
Activity:			
Participate in a county, district, and/or state leadership training			
Training:			
Write a news article for the county 4-H newsletter, radio, or TV in order to promote 4-H. Article:			
Provide training or presentation at a county level 4-H activity			
Activity:			
Provide a district or state program or training Training:			
Organize and teach a 4-H short-term special interest project to a new audience Project:			
Organize a new 4-H club Club:			
Participate in a district, state, or national 4-H event or activity			
Activity:			
Promote 4-H to other non-4-H groups Group:			
Serve in a leadership position in group other than 4-H			
Group:			
Research career opportunities			
Turn in a completed 4-H Awards Program Record Book			
Participate in a school community activity Activity:			