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Dear 4-H Club Organizational Leaders,

Please see information on special awards for the **4-H Achievement Award Program to be held on Wednesday, October 11 at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds.** Attached are application/nomination forms and requests for your response.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 -DEADLINE TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

1. Club Status Reports:

Citizenship certificates and gift go to clubs who complete club status report.

2. <u>Club Secretary & Treasurer Books:</u>

All 4-H club secretaries and treasurers are to submit their club Secretary and Treasurer books for judging. Books will be judged on neatness, clarity, completeness of record book and correct form.

3. Club Scrapbooks:

Scrapbooks include pictures or anything representative of your 4-H Club program. They are judged on: neatness, creativity, and how well they tell the story of your 4-H club. Scrapbooks may be cumulative, but should be separated by years and **must be completed by members**. **Please list** the 4-H members who worked on the scrapbook.

4. <u>Cloverbud Recognition:</u>

Cloverbuds in attendance will be recognized by receiving a special gift and certificate at the Achievement Awards program.

5. "Make the Best Better" Award:

T-shirts are awarded at the Achievement Awards program to outstanding 4-H members in Arapahoe County. To be eligible, 4-H'ers must have completed two years in 4-H, be twelve by December 31, 2022 and not have received a major award (trip or Grand Champion Award) during this 4-H year. Awards are based on club and county participation including completion of 4-H projects. Leaders may recommend one or more members by completing the enclosed application. If you recommend more than one, please rank your nominees.

6. Danforth Award (Outstanding 4-H Member of the Year):

Members who were 14 by December 31, 2022 may submit applications or be nominated by their leader for the Danforth Award, which is presented each year to two 4-H'ers in the county. This must include a written letter of recommendation from an adult club leader. Judging is based on leadership qualities, academic achievements, school or community involvement, general character and integrity.

7. "Learn By Doing" Award:

Members must have completed two years in 4-H (count this year and any Cloverbud Years, be 8-11 years old this year and not have received a major award (trip or Grand Champion Award) during this 4-H year. Leaders may recommend one or more members, but are asked to rank them 1, 2, 3, etc.

8. Project Achievement Medal Application:

Members are recognized each year for outstanding project work. Members must select one project and turn in a completed Project Achievement Application. Members are then evaluated on their completion of project learning responsibilities. Since members are evaluated on a standard, more than one medal in each project area may be awarded.

Feel free to make additional copies of the application/nomination forms as needed. The forms for nominations are also posted on the website.

THANKS FOR WORKING ON THESE ITEMS TO RECOGNIZE OUR 4-H YOUTH & LEADERS!

Sincerely,

and a source

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