



## For Parents and Guardians

First and foremost, 4-H is a family program – a place where parents and their children can learn and grow together. In 4-H, you, as the parent or guardian, are very important! You help by:

- ✿ Providing transportation for your child to and from 4-H events.
- ✿ Attend 4-H club functions with your child whenever possible.
- ✿ Guide your child as he or she selects a 4-H project and help develop challenging, and realistic goals.
- ✿ If your child serves in a leadership role within the club, help him or her fulfill the duties of the office.
- ✿ Attend your club's end-of-the-year celebration with your child and attend 4-H Recognition Event (the county-wide awards program) as a family. Recognition always means more to children when their family is there to share it with them.



## Enrollment Steps

- ✿ Contact the Minnehaha County 4-H Office to find a 4-H club that fits your needs! The 4-H Youth Program Advisors will help you find the best club for you!
- ✿ Enroll in 4-H Online ([sd.4honline.com](http://sd.4honline.com)) and select which project areas you would like to enroll in!!

4-H is a **community** of **young people** across America who are learning **leadership, citizenship** and **life skills.**



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# Minnehaha County 4-H



## Join the Club!!



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## For Youth Ages 5-19

- ✿ Want to build a robot to do your chores?
- ✿ Wish you could shoot a bow and arrow?
- ✿ Want to experience Washington DC on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July?
- ✿ Dream about launching a rocket to new heights?

Explore the answers to these questions and so much more as a member of 4-H. Join other boys and girls in sharing, doing, and learning together in all kinds of projects, events, and activities.

In addition to club and county projects, 4-H members have the opportunity to attend camps, conferences, and national gatherings where they can gain practical life skills and increase their confidence!



## Example 4-H Project Areas:

Aerospace & Rocketry  
Animals  
Babysitting  
Bicycle  
Clothing  
Dog Obedience  
Entomology  
Fashion Revue  
First Aid  
Fishing  
Food & Nutrition  
Geology  
GPS-GIS  
Graphic Arts  
Horses  
Horticulture  
Judging  
Music  
Outdoor Recreation  
Photography  
Poultry  
Public Speaking  
Rabbits  
Robotics  
Safety  
Shooting Sports  
Theatre Arts  
Videography  
Visual Arts  
Wood Science



**Something for Everyone!!**

## Membership Responsibilities

As a 4-H member, the membership begins when you enroll or re-enroll in 4-H at the beginning of each new 4-H year (October 1st). Although there are no county or state wide dues to join 4-H, some clubs do ask for annual dues.

In order to get the most out of your 4-H experience, we recommend that you also complete the following guidelines:

- ✿ Attend Meetings – Each club typically has a monthly meeting and you will be required to attend at least 4 club or special interest meetings
- ✿ Public Presentation – As a 4-H member you will be encouraged to give one public presentation each year in your 4-H club.
- ✿ Member Journal – Each 4-H member is encouraged to complete a journal each year recapping your projects and learning experience. Contact the office for an example.
- ✿ Project Area Enrollment – You are required to enroll and encouraged to exhibit in at least one 4-H project area each year.