

# **4-H FACTS**

## **4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION PROGRAM**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

4-H Youth Development Education creates supportive environments for culturally-diverse youth and adults to reach their fullest potential. In support of this mission, we will:

- ❖ Provide formal and non-formal community-focused experiential learning.
- ❖ Develop skills that benefit youth throughout life.
- ❖ Foster leadership and volunteerism in youth and adults.
- ❖ Build internal and external partnerships for programming and funding.
- ❖ Strengthen families and communities.
- ❖ Use research-based knowledge and the land-grant university system.

*Achievement of this mission will result in capable, competent, and caring citizens.*

### **OBJECTIVES FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IN PENNSYLVANIA**

The Youth Program Coordinating Council asserts that all youth development curriculum should focus on educational programming which has three objectives:

1. Life skill development through opportunities that:
  - ❖ teach interaction and coping skills.
  - ❖ teach decision-making skills.
  - ❖ sharpen communication skills
  - ❖ teach leadership skills.
  - ❖ encourage critical thinking.
  - ❖ develop self-confidence.
  - ❖ enhance an individual's self-esteem; etc.
2. Provide experiences that allow youth to **ACQUIRE KNOWLEDGE** and then **APPLY KNOWLEDGE GAINED** in every day life experiences.
3. Develop leadership (both adult and youth) in order to see that the first two objectives can effectively occur.

Collectively, the three objectives provide youth with experiences and skills necessary to adapt to and cope with challenges they may face as young people today and as contributing adults in the future.

**2005-2006 INVOLVEMENT IN 4-H IN PENNSYLVANIA**

**4-H Members (Youth ages 5-19):**

Boys	36,468	(40%)
Girls	<u>54,765</u>	(60%)
Total	91,233	

**4-H Members by Residence:**

Cities	12.3%
Suburbs	20.0%
Towns	24.0%
Rural	36.4%
Farms	7.3%

**4-H Volunteer Leaders:**

Adult	8,105
Teen	<u>1,343</u>
Total	9,448

**4-H Members by Age:**

5-7 yrs	5.98%
8-12 yrs.	72.95%
13-15 yrs.	15.22%
16-19 yrs.	5.85%

**Racial -Ethnic Characteristics:**

<b>Non Hispanic</b>	<b>93.1%</b>
White	79.6%
African American	11.2%
American Indian	.09%
Asian	1.1%
Native Hawaiian	.05%
White and African American	.46%
White and American Indian	.08%
White and Asian	.09%
Other Combinations	.43%
<b>Hispanic</b>	<b>6.9%</b>
White	5.8%
African American	.27%
American Indian	.04%
Asian	.02%
Native Hawaiian	.04%
White and African American	.10%
White and American Indian	.02%
White and Asian	.007%
Other Combinations	.58%

**Total Youth Served:**

Youth Served (5-18 year olds)	103,607
Other Youth Served	<u>57,606</u>
Total Youth Served	161,213

**TOTAL PROJECTS  
2005-2006 ENROLLMENT BY DELIVERY METHODS  
(INCLUDES 5-8 YEAR OLDS)**

	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>4-H Units</u>
Organized 4-H Clubs	8,496	14,375	22,871	1,474
4-H Special Interest or Short-Term Programs	10,491	11,842	22,333	469
4-H Camping Programs	1,898	2,442	4,340	180
4-H School Enrichment	25,979	24,913	50,892	1,271
4-H Individual Study	12	13	25	
School-Aged Child Care Education Programs(Includes 4-H Afterschool Programs)	1,528	1,618	3,146	94
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,404</b>	<b>55,203</b>	<b>103,607</b>	<b>3,488</b>

**2004-2005**  
**SCOPE OF PRESENT PROGRAM**

<b><u>ANIMAL SCIENCES</u></b>	<b>67,214</b>
Veterinary Science	499
Beef	1,386
Dairy Beef	296
Dairy	1,929
Dairy Goat	859
Market Goat	1,432
Horse	5,461
Sheep	1,521
Swine	3,049
Breeding Swine	235
Embryology	39,098
Poultry	484
Turkey	28
Dog	565
Rabbit	1,390
Pets	756
Cats	141
Self-Determined	113
Other	6,720
<b><u>ENVMTL. ED. &amp; EARTH SCI.</u></b>	<b>12,448</b>
<i>Plant Science</i>	
Meet the Plants	2,415
Landscape Gardening	116
Indoor Gardening	503
Vegetable Gardening	818
Gardening Series	277
4-H Plant Fun	355
4-H Plant Fun (Spanish)	1
Strawberries	101
Urban Plant Life	42
Science of a Growing Plant	5
Self-Determined-Plant Science	33
Other-Plant Science	4,584
<i>Natural Resources</i>	
Water Conservation	300
Entomology	1,435
Forestry	1,128
Wildlife	1,148
Self-Determined-Natural Resources	74
Other-Natural Resources	551
<b><u>SCIENCE &amp; TECHNOLOGY</u></b>	<b>3,886</b>
Small Engines	152
Electricity	251
Rocketry	1,305
Wood Science	633
Computer Mysteries	195
Self-Determined	6
Other	1,346

<b><u>HEALTHY LIFESTYLES ED.</u></b>	
<i>Shooting Sports</i>	
Air Rifle	771
Archery	801
Air Pistol	157
Riflery	395
<i>Outdoor Education</i>	
Outdoor Adventures	184
Orienteering	114
Other	663
<i>Leisure Education</i>	
Photography	617
Bicycles	120
Palette of Fun	54
Advanced Visual Arts	18
Collectables	51
Self-Determined-Leisure Ed.	1,201
Other-Leisure Ed.	
<i>Health and Safety Education</i>	
Health-Discovering Yourself	37
Health- Fun with Friends	95
Self-Determined-Health	233
Other-Health	3,689
Discovering Me	49
Fire Safety	
<b><u>CITIZENSHIP &amp; CIVIC ED.</u></b>	<b>2,163</b>
Citizenship in Action	4
Citizenship Adventures	8
Getting to Know Your Community	46
Opening the Doors of Community	0
Self-Determined	90
Other	2,071
Talking with TJ	79
<b><u>LDRSHIP. &amp; PERSONAL DEV.</u></b>	<b>2,969</b>
Teen Leadership	245
Step Up to Leadership	1,049
Leadership Other	1,675
<b><u>INTRO., GEN. &amp; MISC.</u></b>	<b>593</b>
Clover Buds	593
<b><u>INTERNATL. &amp; DIVERSITY</u></b>	
And My World	3
Exercising Character	197
Interstate Exchange	0
<b><u>Communications and Expressive Arts</u></b>	
Theatre Arts Adventure	322
Self Determined-Communications	
Other-Communications	
Cultural Arts	

**FAMILY & CONSUMER SCI.*****Workforce Prep/Consumer Education***

People, Work and Me	6
Exploring the Food Business	1
Get Ready, Get Set, Get a Job	112
Wild Over Work	2
Mini-Society	167
Character at Work	79
The Rent Event	76
Kids and Cash	832
Let Me Do It	2
Financial Champions	276
Self Determined	7
Other	763

***Foods and Nutrition***

I Spy in the Kitchen	462
Star Spangled Foods	282
Yeast Breads of the Rise	74
Let's Bake Quick Breads	163
Global Gourmet	108
Breads Around the World	2,256
Microwave Magic	215
Professor Popcorn	1,404
Nutrition in a Nutshell	1,002
Other-Food & Nutrition	4,764
Food Preservation	
Self-Determined-Food & Nutrition	610

***Clothing and Textiles*** 4,086***Child Development***

Babysitting	1,114
On My Own and Okay	230
Child Development – Other	

**Intergenerational Programming**

TRIAL	
Proverbs	4
Generation Celebration	269
Spend Time Together	
Sharing Across Generations	
Strengthening the Family – Self	
Strengthening the Family – Other	

## *Pennsylvania County Youth Enrollment for 2005-2006*

<b>County</b>	<b>4-H Age Youth</b>	<b>Total Youth</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>4-H Age Youth</b>	<b>Total Youth</b>
Adams	1,825	6,828	Lackawanna	1,194	1,683
Allegheny	4,639	4,798	Lancaster	1,518	2,047
Armstrong	475	679	Lawrence	2,591	3,307
Beaver	1,505	1,847	Lebanon	1,247	1,269
Bedford	1,003	1,003	Lehigh	2,583	2,697
Berks	5,723	5,842	Luzerne	7,063	1,406
Blair	200	200	Lycoming	819	830
Bradford	916	2,218	McKean	1,171	2,178
Bucks	5,203	5,532	Mercer	1,416	2,183
Butler	342	1,064	Mifflin	417	2,464
Cambria	1,128	2,082	Monroe	1,216	3,017
Cameron	73	615	Montgomery	5,011	5,570
Carbon	462	1,253	Montour	230	354
Centre	1,013	3,628	Northampton	321	365
Chester	2,491	4,507	Northumberland	552	552
Clarion	1402	1,402	Perry	678	3,995
Clearfield	172	493	Philadelphia	35	35
Clinton	210	6,208	Pike	552	3,090
Columbia	264	469	Potter	967	980
Crawford	1,151	1,859	Schuylkill	551	288
Cumberland	1,357	1,903	Snyder	236	328
Dauphin	1,963	5,126	Somerset	908	1,515
Delaware	4,599	4,936	Sullivan	197	1,221
Elk	51	601	Susquehanna	519	683
Erie	2,994	3,038	Tioga	750	750
Fayette	2,264	4,869	Union	315	335
Forest	142	187	Venango	403	1,133
Franklin	1,569	8,288	Warren	368	1,158
Fulton	125	185	Washington	2,185	2,293
Greene	192	405	Wayne	837	969
Huntingdon	334	337	Westmoreland	5,977	6,064
Indiana	845	1,995	Wyoming	155	646
Jefferson	213	993	York	2,271	2,645
Juniata	227	623			

*Source: FY2005-2006 Pennsylvania Youth Development Annual Report*