



## College of Agricultural Sciences 4-H Member Recognition Award

### **Award Description:**

The College of Agricultural Sciences will recognize outstanding Pennsylvania 4-H members for their excellence in the 4-H program including leadership, community service, and communication. One 4-H member from each county will be identified as the outstanding 4-H member for that county. That person's award application will be forwarded to Penn State by April 1.

### **Deadlines:**

Applications to Penn State  
State Announcement of 8 regional winners

**April 1**  
**May 15**

### **Application Criteria:**

The applicant should currently be a 4-H member and have been a 4-H member for at least three years.

The applicant should be at least a Junior in high school.

Three references should be attached to the application. One reference should be from the 4-H agent or leader. One reference should be from the school principal or guidance counselor.

Do not ask a member of your immediate family to complete a reference form.

### **Checklist for completed application packet:**

- Completed Application Form
- 3 References

Applications should be mailed by April 1 to:

Christy E. Bartley  
Program Leader  
008C Ferguson Building  
University Park, PA 16802



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**SCORESHEET**

Question 1: Project Resumé (attached page)	25 points	_____
Question 1: Leadership	20 points	_____
Question 2: Community Service	20 points	_____
Question 3: Communication	20 points	_____
Question 4: Essay	20 points	_____
Three completed recommendation forms accompany application		_____
<b>TOTAL SCORE:</b>	105 points	_____

**Scholarship Opportunity-**

Applicants who are high school Juniors or Seniors will be considered for a College of Agricultural Sciences scholarship. Applications will be reviewed by the College scholarship committee for potential award of a \$500-\$1,000 scholarship. A limited number of scholarships are available. To be eligible for a scholarship, the applicant must be enrolled in the College of Agricultural Sciences at Penn State. If the applicant would like to be considered for the scholarship, he/she must include a high school transcript with the application form. Applicants may be asked to come to Penn State for an interview as a part of the scholarship application process. If you are applying for the scholarship the checklist for the completed application packet is:

- Completed application form
- 3 references
- High School Transcript



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Male  Female  Years in 4-H \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Region \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of 4-H Club(s) or Program(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of 4-H Leader(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Year in high school: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you planning on attending college?  Yes  No

To which colleges will you apply \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Intended major \_\_\_\_\_

I have personally prepared this application and believe it to be accurate.

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Member's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

My signature below indicates that I have read this application and believe it to be correct. I certify that this individual is a current and active member of the 4-H/Youth Development Program, and I approve this application for submission to the College of Agricultural Sciences 4-H Member Recognition Award program:

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Parent's or Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Local 4-H Leader's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ County Extension Agent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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**NOTE:** Responses to each section should be attached to this application form. If possible, responses should be typed and double-spaced.

**1. PROJECT AND PARTICIPATION RESUMÉ**

Attach a one-page description of your accomplishments and experiences in 4-H. Include the goals that you have achieved, knowledge and skills that you have acquired, special 4-H events, activities, programs that you have attended, and so on. Use only one side of one page.

**2. LEADERSHIP**

Describe your two most important 4-H-related leadership experiences from the current or two previous 4-H years (e.g., club or county offices, county or regional committees, teen council, camp counselor, etc.). Limit your response to 300 words.

**3. COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Describe your two most important community service experiences from the current or two previous years. Limit your responses to 300 words.

**4. COMMUNICATION**

Describe your two most important 4-H-related communications experiences from the current year or two previous 4-H years (e.g., presentations, public speaking, marketing 4-H, etc.). Limit your response to 300 words.

**5.** Attached a one-page essay explaining how your 4-H experiences have helped you make a difference in your club or county 4-H program, school, or community. Also explain how those experiences will help you contribute to a better society in the future. Use only one side of one page.



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 (4-H Member)**

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How long have you known the applicant?

How have you been involved with or how do you know the applicant?

Describe the contributions the individual has made in the 4-H/Youth Development Program and/or the school or community in which he or she lives.

Indicate the applicant's leadership qualities (both those currently exhibited and future potential).

Indicate other qualities, strengths, or special talents that you believe the applicant has.

Name of person submitting recommendation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of person submitting recommendation \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



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