MISSION OF THE TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM

The Taylor County 4-H Program will provide many learning experiences through the cooperation and leadership of both the youth members and adult leaders.

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taylor.extension.wisc.edu

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September/October 2021

2021-2022 4-H Enrollment

Current Members: First the best news – There will not be a shutdown this year. As soon as the system performs year end and rolls over our data to the new year, families can go in and start re-enrolling. The system processing shouldn’t take much time at all, so shortly after midnight Aug 31/Sept 1, the system will be ready to start accepting re-enrollments.

Returning members and leaders: we suggest logging in as soon as possible to re-enroll so you don’t forget. Re-enrollment will go through Monday, November 1. When you log in to re-enroll, follow these steps:

• Update your contact information if anything has changed
• Update project areas (delete old or add new)
• Review and confirm the waivers and agreements
• Update your health information.

Once you have completely updated your profile, click submit. If you need assistance with enrollment or access to internet, you can stop by the Extension Office during office hours, but remember to bring your 4HOnline password.

It is imperative that members enroll or re-enroll on time by November 1. These deadlines are set by the State Office for grant reporting information. Please make sure to give yourself enough time to complete your enrollment so we can have a great 2021-22 4-H Year!

New members: To enroll in 4-H for the first time, please go to y2.4honline.com and create a family profile. It is suggested that you also visit or contact the Extension Office to learn more about 4-H, and/or go to taylor.extension.wisc.edu and look under the 4-H tab to view helpful information for new members, including choosing a club.

Enrollment Deadlines:

November 1 — Deadline for 4-H re-enrollments. Youth who have been absent/inactive for more than 12 months are considered a new member upon joining 4-H again.

March 1 — Deadline for 4-H members to sign up for all 4-H projects if they plan on exhibiting at the county fair.

After March 1 — Youth may still join 4-H, but will not be allowed to exhibit at the county fair. Youth enrolling after March 1 may still participate in 4-H programs and activities as a member.

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SAVE THE DATES!

4-H Enrollment Begins
- Wednesday, September 1st

Record Books Due
- Friday, September 10th to the Extension Office

Educational Experience Sponsorship and Key Award Applications Due
- Friday, September 10th to the Extension Office

4-H Discovery Day
- Tbd

4-H Enrollment End
- Monday, November 1st

COUNTYWIDE PROJECT CONTACTS

Countrysiders—Wendy Rudolph, 715-748-0961

Diamond Lakers—Dorothy Halida, 715-669-3655 and Paula Dubiak, 715-512-0250

Liberty—Kathy Schumacher, glws@tds.net

Little Farmers—Violet Jensen, 715-748-4481

Little Whispers—Christy Tomandl, 715-748-9816

Poplar Grove—Brian & Cheryl Bolstad, 715-447-5428 and Wendy Okerglicki, 715-644-0854

Thrifty-Go-Getters—Amanda Jensen, 715-748-3119

COUNTYWIDE PROJECT CONTACTS

If you have questions about a project, please contact the following county project leaders:

Dog Project: Jeanine Renzoni, 715-748-4248

Horse Project: Amanda Szomi, 715-965-0972

Market Animal Show and Sale (MASS): Karyn Eckert, 715-748-2576

Poultry Project: Sara Matyka, 715-427-3331

Rabbit Project: Katie Krause, 715-654-6499

Goat Project: Sara Matyka, 715-427-3331

Youth Leadership Organization (YLO): Extension Office 715-748-3327

COUNTYWIDE PROJECT UPDATES

Taylor County 4-H Cookbook

We would love to have some 4-Hers who can help with this great 4-H project and learn some skills at the same time.

- Computer members can work on formatting, organizing into pdf format AND working on ways to provide book on-line (QR code).
- Photograpy members can submit cooking, food, etc. pictures for category dividers or even photograph their own recipe creations.
- YLO, entrepreneur/ business members can develop letter/ visit businesses to get sponsors for the cookbook/ ads/ coupons ($25 for 1/4 page ad/ $100 for full page) with 10 pages, which could be back side of the category dividers and cover pages, the $1000 printing cost would be covered and all sales would be profit.
- Food and Preservation members submit blue ribbon recipes each year after fair, available as yearly supplements for 5 years, for example.
- A lot more than 75-100 recipes are really needed!!!!!! for even $10 per book.

We would love to have them ready to sell for Christmas. Contact Julie at julie.diepenbrock@wisc.edu or Kathy Schumacher at glws@tds.net to let us know how you would like to help.

Shooting Sports

The 4-H Shooting Sports program is only successful when adults volunteer to work with youth in this project and when youth are given the opportunity to develop safe shooting skills and develop a better understanding of wildlife ecology. To serve as a 4-H Shooting Sports Leader, individuals must complete the Youth Protection process, be at least 21 years old, and successfully complete at least one state-level 4-H Leader Training SHOOTING SPORTS CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP in the discipline in which they are providing supervision.

Contact Julie if you are interested.

Upcoming 2021 Certification class:

- Marshfield, WI, September 11 Disciplines: Archery, Coordinator, Rifle/Air Rifle, Muzzleloader, Pistol/Air Pistol & Shotgun (Must have 4 in each class to offer a discipline)

More information can be found at https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hshootingsports/certification-workshops/.
Hey 4-H Youth Members! Callie Cat wants you to read the 4-H newsletter! If you are reading the newsletter, you could have the opportunity to **win a prize** each newsletter! All you have to do is complete the Callie Cat 4-H Newsletter questions and submit them by the last day of the month the newsletter comes out. If you are in grade K-5 and submit at least 2/3 correct answers, while following all submission directions, OR in grade 6-13 and submit at least 13/15 correct, while following all submission directions, your name will be put into a drawing for a $10 gift certificate. There will be 1 winner from each grade group per newsletter. Participants must be youth 4-H members.

**Callie Cat 4-H Newsletter Questions:**

**Grade K-5 Questions:**
1) What page is Chris Clover on?
2) What week is National 4-H week?
3) The Diamond Lakers Club updated the 4-H Bulletin Board. True or False?

**Grade 6-13 Questions:**
1) Deadline for 4-H Enrollment is what date?
2) How much money was raised at this year’s Governor’s Blue Ribbon Meat Products Auction?
3) What is the theme for this year’s National 4-H week?
4) Chris Clover final submissions are due on what date?
5) What grades can participate in YLO?
6) Was there a State Fair this year?
7) What date is State Gymkhana?
8) What Taylor County 4-H Club updated the 4-H Bulletin Board at Extension?
9) What project can you participate in as a Christmas project?
10) What date is Fall Forum?
11) What is your best 2021 4-H memory?
12) What upcoming three days is the Extension Office closed?
13) What are your favorite community-oriented service projects?
14) Do you follow Taylor County 4-H on Facebook or Instagram?
15) Where do you go to enroll in 4-H for the first time?

**Instructions for submitting your entry:**

- Answer questions on an 8 1/2 by 11 piece of paper. Write your full name and club name in the upper right hand corner of your entry page. Include any other items such as photos with your answers.
- Submit your answers to: **4-H Agent Attn, Callie Cat Contest Taylor County Extension Office, 925 Donald St. Room 103, Medford, WI 54451**
- Submissions will be due the last day of the month that the newsletter comes out (e.g. for the Sept/October newsletter, Callie Cat submissions are due September 30)
- Once submissions are received, all submissions with at least 2/3 (K-5th grade) or 13/15 (6-13th grade) correct answers will be put into a drawing, and one winner from each category will be selected at the closest Federation of Taylor County 4-H meeting.
- Winners will be notified after the Federation of Taylor County 4-H meeting following the submission date, prizes will be mailed with the notification.
Youth Opportunities

Record books are required for youth applying for scholarships, educational travel experiences, and 4-H Key Awards. Not planning to go on a travel experience? Do a record book anyways! Record books help you set goals for yourself and keep track of all the things you are accomplishing in 4-H.

You can learn more, print additional pages, and/or request your record book by going to http://taylor.uwex.edu/4-h/record-books/ or call the Extension office at 715-748-3327. Once record books are requested they will be available within one week. Record Books will be due September 10th.

Volunteer Opportunities

Community Service Opportunity

As many high schools are moving to a model that requires community service as part of graduation, there are several opportunities for youth to earn some hours toward their requirement.

One way to earn some community service hours is working in the YLO Pizza/Soda Stand! This opportunity is suggested for youth in grades 6-12. So if someone has an older sibling that is looking to get some community service hours, this is a great way to help and get involved!

Federation of Taylor County 4-H Meetings

All 4-H Leaders are a part of the Federation of Taylor County 4-H, with those that belong to the board of directors having voting rights. To help make decisions at the county level for the Taylor County 4-H Program and so they are able to report back to their club, each club should have a leader that represents their club at Federation meetings Each club also has one standing spot on the Board of Directors for the Federation.

Become a 4-H Volunteer

Are you interested in becoming a 4-H volunteer? Volunteers are the backbone of the 4-H program, it wouldn’t be possible without their dedication! If you have not been enrolled as a volunteer before, this information is for you!

Becoming a 4-H Leader includes four steps to ensure youth protection for 4-H members. These steps include signing up as a volunteer on 4HOnline, passing a background check, doing an online module called the Mandated Reporter, and completing the Volunteer In Preparation training. If you have completed some of these steps, but aren’t sure where you are in the process, please contact the Taylor County Extension Office.

To complete the steps of becoming a 4-H Leader, you will:

1. Go to https://v2.4honline.com/ to create a 4HOnline profile.

2. When you create your profile, you will be asked if you are a volunteer or not. When you select that you are, 4HOnline lets the state 4-H Office know that a background check needs to be done on you. You should look for an email sent to the account you provide from your 4HOnline account when signing up. The email will ask for the information needed to complete a background check.

3. In your 4HOnline profile, you have the option of completing the Mandated Reporter under the Training tab. You should complete this training before attending the Volunteer Orientation. Bring the printed certificate of completion for the Mandated Reporter that is produced at the end of the module to the Volunteer Orientation. If you need access to a computer, please contact the Extension Office.

4. Volunteer in Preparation Training is the last step in becoming a 4-H Volunteer. To schedule your training, call the Extension office (715-748-3327). Volunteer in Preparation Training is held on an as-needed basis. If you believe that you need to attend a session, please contact the Extension office.
National Reach, Local Programs for Kids

In 4-H programs, kids and teens complete hands-on projects in areas like health, science, agriculture and civic engagement in a positive environment where they receive guidance from adult mentors and are encouraged to take on proactive leadership roles. Kids experience 4-H in every county and parish in the country through in-school and after-school programs, school and community clubs and 4-H camps.

4-H’s reach and depth are unmatched, reaching kids in every corner of America – from urban neighborhoods to suburban schoolyards to rural farming communities. Our network of 500,000 volunteers and 3,500 4-H professionals provides caring and supportive mentoring to all 6 million 4-H’ers, helping them grow into true leaders today and in life.

Did You Know

Many people already know of our popular programs, but did you know we also:

- offer 4-H programs throughout the state (check your local office)
- offer 4-H youth the amazing opportunity to experience life in another country by living abroad with a host family for one month
- facilitate youth and adults working together to make a difference in the lives of young people
- And much more! Check with your local office for more programs near you.
Fall Forum Tentative Schedule
November 6, 2021
Updated July 27, 2021
Green Lake Conference Center, Green Lake, WI

Saturday, November 6, 2021

9:00 - 9:30am - Registration
9:30 - 10:30am - Interactive Sessions - Club Building Group Energizers
10:30 - 11:00am - Welcome and Kick Off
11:00am - 12:00pm - Keynote - Chad Littlefield
12:00 - 12:45pm - Lunch
12:45 - 2:00pm - Introduction to Thrive - large group elections
2:00 - 2:10pm - Break
2:10 - 4:00pm - Extended Afternoon Session (110 minutes)

Or

2:10 - 3:40pm - Shorter Afternoon Session 1 (50 minute)
3:10 - 4:00pm - Shorter Afternoon Session 2 (50 minute)
3:30 - 4:30pm - Hall of Fame registration
4:10 - 4:30pm - Closing and Wrap up
4:30 - 5:15pm - Hall of Fame photos and reception
5:00 - 6:00pm - Dinner
6:15 - 7:30pm - Hall of Fame Recognition
Fourward Together with Chris Clover

Did you build connections at 4-H Camp this summer? Have you given back to your community by caring for a community garden? These are just a few of the ways 4-H’ers are living the #WI4HMovement! Join us in spreading 4-H across the state with Chris Clover! Click to learn more and print off your own Chris Clover! 4h.extension.wisc.edu/the-movement/cclover/ or pick up Chris Clover at the Extension Office.
Member Project and Evaluation (MPE) Requirements for Sponsorship Applicants & Key Award

The following trips will require an MPE application:

- 4-H and Youth Conference
- American Spirit East
- Citizenship Washington Focus
- Leadership Washington Focus
- National 4-H Congress

Educational travel experiences are not yet finalized for 2022 and are subject to change per the State 4-H Office and/or the counties organizing the experience. Visit the State 4-H Educational Experiences page and the Extension Taylor County Educational Travel Opportunities page for updated information on trips.

In addition to their record book, applicants for the educational travel experiences and 4-H Key Award must complete the application on page 11 and turn it into the Extension Office no later than Friday, September 10th.

Applicants for educational travel experiences will then complete an interview with five unrelated Federation members, the 4-H Development Educator, and Extension staff (if available). Interviewees can expect to be judged on interview question answers, appearance, and being on time for the interview. Youth will be notified of their interview time after applying. If youth receive financial support from the Federation, they will be required to share their experience as stated on the application on page 11-12.

Leader of the Year Award

Send in a one page or less description of why the leader you nominated should be the Leader of the Year. The 2019 winner was Violet Jensen. These nominations should be turned in by September 10th.

Wisconsin 4-H Key Award

The Key Award is the most prestigious award that a 4-H member can receive. This award is based on a member's total 4-H record, projects, leadership, and activity involvement.

The Wisconsin 4-H Key Award Program recognizes a select group of 4-H participants who have demonstrated consistent growth in their 4-H involvement, developed and applied leadership skills, and actively participated in the functions of their 4-H club and community.

To be eligible, candidates must be in 9th grade or above and must have completed at least three years of 4-H and one year of youth leadership.

Each Key Award recipient receives a framed certificate and a Key Award pin. The Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation and its affiliate, Rural Mutual Insurance Company, have sponsored the Wisconsin 4-H Key Award Program since 1974. Winners are announced at the 4-H Award Banquet in November. To be eligible for the Key Award, applicants must complete the MPE process and turn in one letter of recommendation from a 4-H Leader by September 10th.

Friend of 4-H Award

The Friend of 4-H Award is a way for us to honor businesses, organizations and individuals for their support of 4-H.

Write a one page or less description of why your nominee is deserving of this award. These nominations should be turned in by September 10th.

Past recipients include: Stanley Vet Clinic, Taylor County Surveyor’s Office, Heidi Bower, Neil Micke, Angela Woyak and the Rib Lake Elementary School, Holy Rosary School, Drangle Foods, Holy Rosary Youth Group, Taylor County Livestock Committee (MASS), FCS Financial Services, WIGM, County Market, Alan & Daniel Pinter, Tom Armbrust, Ed Brecke, Tombstone Pizza Corp, Taylor County, Taylor County Sportsmen’s Association, Joe “Pep” Simek, Roger Poulter, AmMarie Foundation, Inc., Clarence Sackmann, Copps IGA, Medford Veterinary Clinic, Medford FFA Alumni, Taylor County Farm Bureau, Taylor County Human Services, Jeanne Hoffman, Dorava Family, Star News, Medford Senior High School and Cathy Mauer.

Bernice Brandner Memorial Leadership Award

1. Person needs to be nominated by a current 4-H member/leader and/or club.
2. Person has to have been a 4-H leader (past or present) for at least 1 year.
3. Awards will not be given posthumously.
4. Letter needs to demonstrate what made (makes) that person a good leader and why they are deserving of the Memorial award.
5. Letters are to be mailed directly to the Award presenter (address below).
6. Please enclose contact information for the applicant and also who is submitting the letter so they can be reached for any questions.
7. REMEMBER — this is not the Leader of the Year Award. This is a separate award intended to recognize leaders that demonstrate the same values and dedication to 4-H that Bernice Brandner did. They should have participated in 4-H activities in addition to the club level, such as Summer Camp, award trip chaperone, Project Discovery Days, Cultural Arts Festival, Dairy Breakfast, etc., and be an active ambassador for 4-H by involvement in community service projects and by active recruitment of new members and leaders.
9. Letters will be reviewed and the selected person will be contacted before the Awards Banquet, so they can be there for the award presentation.
10. Please contact the award presenter with any questions.

Send letters of nomination and direct questions to:

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Past Recipients Include:
Educational travel experience descriptions are provided as preliminary information. Dates, cost, and specific aspects of the experience are subject to change. Please see the section titled MPE (previous page) for the application process information known as the Member Project and Evaluation (MPE). Visit the State 4-H Educational Travel Experience page and the Taylor County Extension 4-H page for updated information on experiences. If you’d like more details on any of these or the application procedure, feel free to contact the Extension Office for more information.

Applications are due Friday, September 10th to the Extension Office. The Federation of Taylor County 4-H generously sponsors 50% of the cost of these experiences, as long as there are no behavior issues that occur during the trip.

American Spirit East
Cancelled in 2021.

State Fair
In 2021, this was held in the first week of August. Members attend the State Fair and show their animals or static exhibits. There are many different rules and deadlines from the Taylor County Fair, so be sure to check the State Fair’s website for updated information. Cost varies.

State Gymkhana
In 2021, this event will be held September 10-11, 2021. A fun and challenging show with speed events and games for 4-H members from across Wisconsin. Cost varies.

National 4-H Congress, Atlanta GA
This experience is offered November 26-30, 2021.
Delegates participate in self-development seminars, tours, and perform community service while exchanging ideas from youth across the county. Delegates must be in 9th-12th grade at the time of selection. The maximum age to participate is 18 as of January 1. Delegates may only attend once as youth. Cost is approximately $1,200.

National 4-H Conference, Washington, D.C.
In 2022, this experience will be offered in late March/Early April. Six to eight youth are selected to attend this working civic conference held at the National 4-H Center in Washington, D.C. Each delegate selects an issue and collaborates with youth from across the country in an effort to help better direct future 4-H programming. Delegates spend the majority of time contributing to stimulating, task-oriented groups. One day is spent on Capitol Hill meeting with Wisconsin legislators. Delegates must be in 10th-12th grade during the program. The maximum age to participate is 18 as of January 1. The cost is approximately $1,300.

The Federation of Taylor County 4-H assembled and donated this basket to the Silent Auction benefitting the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation at the Governor’s Blue Ribbon Meat Products Auction. This auction raised nearly $109,000 for Wisconsin 4-H!

A special thanks to Lanice Szomi and Amanda Szomi for representing Taylor County 4-H by helping out at the event.
Educational Travel Experience Sponsorship and Key Award Application

*Educational Travel Experience Sponsorship applicants have an additional form on the back of this application*

Name: _______________________________ Date: __________________

4-H Club: _____________________________

# of Years Involved in 4-H: _______ Grade: _________

Desired Selection:

☐ 4-H and Youth Conference  ☐ National 4-H Conference
☐ American Spirit East  ☐ Space Camp
☐ American Spirit West  ☐ State Gymkhana
☐ Citizenship Washington Focus  ☐ State Fair
☐ Leadership Washington Focus  ☐ Wisconsin 4-H Key Award
☐ National 4-H Congress

For Educational Travel Experiences: Explain why you want to attend this specific educational travel experience and what you hope to learn. If you need more space, an additional sheet can be attached.

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For Wisconsin 4-H Key Award: Explain what 4-H experiences have contributed to the development of your leadership skills. Explain how you will use your leadership skills in the future. If you need more space, an additional sheet can be attached.

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Federation of Taylor County 4-H
Youth Educational Experience Sponsorship Agreement

4-H welcomes any youth to attend an educational experience (trips)! 4-H youth members seeking financial assistance from the Federation of Taylor County 4-H will have the following responsibilities as part of their sponsorship:

1. Abide by all rules of the educational experience
2. Represent Taylor County in a positive, safe, and respectful manner
3. Share your experience with others before January 1 by doing at least one of the following:
   a. Presenting at the Annual Awards Banquet
   b. Presenting at a Federation meeting
   c. Writing an article for the newsletter
   d. Creating a Facebook post to be shared
   e. Another method approved by the 4-H Educator and the Federation

Financial Obligations

The family of the youth will write two separate checks for the educational experience.

One check in the amount of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the cost and the other in the amount of $\frac{1}{4}$ of the cost. One of the checks will be deposited before the educational experience. In the event that the youth is unable to attend* or there are behavior issues while attending the educational experience, the other $\frac{1}{4}$ check will be deposited. If there are no behavior issues and the youth attends the educational experience, the remaining $\frac{3}{4}$ check will be destroyed after the experience.

Please have both the $\frac{3}{4}$ checks to the Extension office no earlier than 3 weeks before the educational experience.

Drop or mail checks to: Taylor County Extension
Attn: 4-H Educational Experience
925 Donald Street Room 103
Medford, WI 54451

__________________________            _______________________
Youth Signature                   Date

__________________________            _______________________
Parent/Guardian Signature         Date

*Certain circumstances may not apply.
**Bulletin Board for Club Use**

The Extension/4-H bulletin board is available for clubs to use to promote their club. Please contact Julie or Kelly at 715-748-3327 ext. 3 or julie.diepenbrock@wisc.edu if your club would like to choose a month to use the bulletin board. Clubs will be responsible for hanging up their materials at the beginning of the month. If a club does not take the materials down by the end of the month, Kelly will take them down and hold them for one month, after that the materials will be discarded. Bulletin board content must follow 4-H Policies.

**2021 Featured Bulletin Board: Diamond Lakers**

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**Groups Using Extension Meeting Rooms**

Groups using Extension meeting rooms after business hours: please lock the building after your meeting is done. If you have questions on how to do this, please ask. There is also a sign by the light switch in each meeting room that illustrates how to do this.

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**Club Leaders and Secretaries**

Club meeting minutes should be sent to the Extension Office in a timely manner after each club meeting. They can be mailed to the Extension Office Attn: Julie at 925 Donald St. Room 103, Medford, WI 54451, or emailed to julie.diepenbrock@wisc.edu.

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**Address or Email Changes**

Please check that your email listed on 4HOnline is up to date so you can receive the latest 4-H updates!!

If you move, please update your address in your 4HOnline family profile or notify the Extension office. We often get mail returned due to changed and incorrect addresses and the post office charges us a fee for the service with our newsletters. If you or someone in your club has not received their 4-H newsletter in the mail, contact us so we can correct our mailing list.

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**Holiday Hours & Other Closures**

The Taylor County Extension Office will be closed on the following dates & times:

- Labor Day—Monday, September 6, 2021
- Thanksgiving—Thursday & Friday, November 25-26, 2021

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**“Care to Share”**

What do you like about 4-H? What would you like to change? The “Care to Share” form gives people the opportunity to identify what is going well, what needs to be improved and possible solutions. Copies are available in each newsletter, page 14, at the Extension Office, or online at taylor.extension.wisc.edu.

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**Help with 4HOnline**

Did you forget your password? Need to update your contact information? Can’t remember what email address you used to register? If you need any help using 4HOnline, please contact Extension at 715-748-3327 between 8:30am and 4:30pm, M-F. Our office staff can also help you if you would like to stop in and work through the issue.
This form has been designed to provide valuable input to the Taylor County 4-H program. Once completed, this form will be distributed to the appropriate individual or group to address the issue or concern. Please take a few moments and complete all three sections of this form and sign it. **Forms without all three sections completed and a signature will be disregarded.**

SECTION #1: Describe the current situation:

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SECTION #2: Describe the problem or concern with the current situation:

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SECTION #3: Give your suggestion(s) for a possible solution:

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*Please Print:*

Name of person completing form:
Address of person completing form:
Phone number of person completing form:
E-mail address of person completing form:

Signed: _______________________________ Dated: ____________________________

Please return completed forms to:
**TAYLOR COUNTY 4-H**
925 Donald Street, Room 103
Medford, WI 54451
1. All reimbursements are dependent on availability of funds (advance request recommended).

2. All events with total cost to Federation in excess of $75.00 will require advanced written notice mailed to the Federation Treasurer and will be subject to #3 below.
   ♦ A pre-reimbursement form is required to be filled out one month in advance and mailed to the Federation Treasurer.
   ♦ A post-reimbursement form will be also filled out after the event and returned to the Federation Treasurer within one month of the event.

3. Events in excess of $75.00 (cost to Federation) will be paid on a scale of 0-5, dependent on Executive Board’s judgment of the benefit to 4-H program or needed support of outstanding youth. To be decided at closest Executive Board or annual meeting. 0=0% 1=20% 2=40% 3=60% 4=80% 5=100%

4. The total miles driven multiplied by $0.41 will be the figure submitted as a reimbursement item. Mileage count will begin and end at local starting point.

5. All vouchers must be submitted to treasurer within 30 days of event. A brief statement of benefit to the 4-H program must be written on the official voucher.

6. If a member or leader incurs an expense that is to be billed to the Federation, pre- and post-reimbursement forms must be submitted before the bill can be paid. If the Federation is billed for costs without the proper approval, no reimbursements will be given to family for two years.

7. All 4-H Rules and Behavior Expectations must be honored by the youth and chaperones or you will forfeit the right for reimbursement.

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**REIMBURSEMENT VOUCHER**
Federation of Taylor County 4-H

**DATE SUBMITTED:** ____________________

**PLEASE CHECK:** ___ pre-event ___ post-event

**CLUB:** ____________________________________

**LEADER’S NAME:** ____________________________________

**NAME (of person submitting voucher):** ____________________________________________________________

**ADDRESS**

**CITY**

**STATE**

**ZIP**

**PHONE:** ____________________

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:** ____________________________________________________________

**EVENTS**

**DATE OF EVENT:** ____________________

**NAME & PLACE OF EVENT:** ____________________________________________________________

**NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:** __________

**COST/PARTICIPANT** (registration, materials, etc.): ____________________

**TOTAL MILES** __________ x $0.41/mile = $ ____________________

*(Must attach a Google Map or MapQuest map showing starting point and destination)*

**Signature of instructor/leader of the event**

*(Must have proof of attendance at event attached to post voucher. Signature above is sufficient.)*

**TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED FOR EVENT $ __________**

**PLAT BOOKS**

**NUMBER MADE** __________ x $3.00 = $ __________

**NUMBER OF PLAT BOOKS SOLD** __________ x $1.00 = $ __________

**SIGNATURE:** ____________________________________________________________

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**NOTES:**

- Pre vouchers need to be approved before the event.
- All vouchers must be turned in within 30 days of the event.
  - Mail directly to Wendy Rudolph, W4693 Rudolph Ln. Medford, WI 54451 or drop off at UW-Extension office.
  - Vouchers that are turned in at other locations will not be accepted.
September, October, and November
4-H Federation Meeting Times

Monday, September 13, 2021—7:15pm
Extension Meeting Room

Monday, October 11, 2021 —7:15pm
Extension Meeting Room

Monday, November 8, 2021— 7:15pm
Extension Meeting Room

Send us your 4-H club activity photos, short articles, and thank yous, and we’ll put them in the newsletter! Submit them at the Extension Office or e-mail Julie.diepenbrock@wisc.edu.

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www.fb.com/4h.taylorcounty
Like us on Facebook and stay up to date with the latest news, announcements and reminders.

Taylor County 4-H is on Instagram!
www.instagram.com/uwextaylorcounty4h/
Follow us on Instagram and stay up to date with the latest news, announcements and reminders.

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