

Dear Teachers,

GETTING STARTED

We're excited to partner with you again to organize 4-H clubs in your classroom this year! Thank you for supporting hands-on learning, leadership, and service through 4-H.

Here's what to know as we get started:

Enrollment Forms

- Complete one form per student before the first meeting.
- Do not send forms home. (RED=4th Grade, YELLOW= Spanish, GREEN = 5th Grade)
- Students must have both the **RCSTN permission slip (return to District office)** and the separate 4-H enrollment form (RED, YELLOW, GREEN) in order to participate in 4-H.
- Students in 5th grade and up should complete the Interest Survey and get parental signature with contact information. Interest Forms are BLUE. Send them home to 5th - 8th grade.
- We cannot use student email addresses for 4-H communication. A parent or guardian's contact information is required.

Student Folders

We will provide each student with a 4-H folder to keep their 4-H documents at school. Certain pages will be labeled to go home, and only those labeled pages should be sent home. All other papers should remain in the student's folder.

Club Officers

- Elect officers before the first meeting.
- Officer materials and role descriptions are included.
- Present Service opportunities to leaders and assist them in planning 2 projects for the year.

4-H Club Meetings & Contests

Students who complete all communication activities below will be recognized as 100% 4-H Members and entered into a drawing for a FREE trip to 4-H Summer Camp.

1. Welcome to 4-H
2. Speaking Contest
3. 4-H Poster Art
4. Demonstrations
 - Grades 4–5: 1st–3rd place advance
 - Grades 6–8: Exhibit Contest

Encouraging Participation

- Consider offering a grade or extra credit to support engagement.
- The most successful members have encouragement from teachers and parents.
- We kindly ask that all teachers stay in their classroom during 4-H meetings.

Resources & Support

- State Standards: documents for each project can be found on our website at [robertson.tennessee.edu/4-H youth development](http://robertson.tennessee.edu/4-H-youth-development)
- Newsletters: Monthly (October–May) with updates & opportunities

If you have any questions or need materials, please contact us. We appreciate your support and look forward to another great year with your students!

Sincerely,

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