

OKLAHOMA 4-H LEADERSHIP PROJECT



4-H GROWN

LIFE SKILLS

- Use critical thinking, problem solving and decision making skills to help you make good decisions about project management
- Practice resiliency through successes and challenges in your project

LEADERSHIP

- Organize activities through a leadership role
- Help an adult lead a leadership and team building workshop
- Help fellow 4-H members with their project areas

COMMUNICATION

- Give a presentation about leadership opportunities for 4-H members and civic groups
- Develop leadership and team building activities and ice breakers for club meetings

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The Leadership Project helps youth identify and understand roles, attitudes, tasks and functions of effective leadership. Youth learn to plan, organize, and implement a program or activity and can serve in leadership roles.

- Strengthen local 4-H units by providing leadership, mentoring younger members and encouraging others to take leadership responsibilities
- Research and understand leadership and motivational theories
- Serve as a committee chair, officer or leader for a 4-H club

The activities below are ideas to inspire project development. This is not a complete list.

BEGINNER

- Become active in your 4-H club
- Attend activities at the county level
- Volunteer at club activities
- Serve on club committees
- Share the importance of 4-H with others
- Utilize your county Cooperative Extension office as a resource for ideas and materials

INTERMEDIATE

- Explore various leaders in your community and state
- Strengthen interaction with meaningful committee work
- Reflect on completed programs and activities and how to improve them
- Identify characteristics of good leaders
- Prepare, practice and deliver a presentation

ADVANCED

- Serve in leadership roles in your 4-H program
- Demonstrate characteristics and skills of a successful leader
- Effectively organize thought and communicate ideas
- Understand parliamentary procedure and how roles are essential to organizations
- Research different leadership styles

EXPAND YOUR EXPERIENCE

- Attend a 4-H leadership conference
- Interview community leaders
- Conduct an event that promotes your 4-H club or county program
- Run for a local/county 4-H office position



RESOURCES

4-H CURRICULUM

- Oklahoma 4-H: 4h.okstate.edu/literature-links/lit-online/leadership-development
- National 4-H: new.4-hcurriculum.org/projects/leadership/

OPPORTUNITIES

- Conduct a workshop at a parent-volunteer conference
- Attend district and state leadership conferences
- Participate in workshops, motivational speakers and community service projects
- Apply for district or state office, Ambassador and National 4-H Conference
- Attend 4-H Day at the Capitol

RESOURCES

- Youth Leadership Initiative: <http://okla.st/1pBrxYY>
- Oklahoma 4-H Song Book

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CITIZENSHIP

- Organize a beautification project in your community
- Organize a canned food drive for your community food pantry
- Mentor a younger member with their project and record book

HEALTHY LIVING

- Lead a Blender Bike workshop for youth and senior citizens
- Encourage your club to serve water at club meetings and activities
- Work with a 4-H educator to host a 4-H food showdown contest

SCIENCE

- Lead National Youth Science Day project in your club or county
- Organize a robotics workshop for beginners
- Conduct a research project about science-related subjects
- Create a club web page

Learn more at: <https://4h.okstate.edu/volunteers/leadership/index.html> or contact your county Cooperative Extension office.



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