

2026 Niagara County 4-H Royalty Application

MISSION

The mission is to select two individuals who best represent The Niagara County 4-H Program. 4-H Royalty should be well spoken and carry himself/herself with poise, respect, and a sense of self-worth. They should be a leader who shows initiative and a sense of pride and commitment to promote and represent The Niagara County 4-H Program.

TO APPLY

1. Must be 4-H age 14 (by January 1 of the current year) through age 18, and have completed a minimum of two (2) years in 4-H (not including current year), and are currently enrolled.
2. Must complete Form "A" 4-H Royalty application and turn into CCE Niagara office by July 1. Form A is based on applicant's overall 4-H experience.
3. If you have already been crowned 4-H Royalty previously in Niagara County, you are not eligible to run again. If you applied previously and were not chosen however, you can run again.
4. Candidates are interviewed on their 4-H experience by a panel of judges, during night of Workbee, on a Wednesday evening in July. (Check Clover Scene for livestock Workbee date).
5. Form B can be picked up on the first day of fair at the CCE office and is due on Saturday during the Niagara County Fair by 9:00pm to the 4-H Office. Form B is based on applicant's volunteerism during the Niagara County Fair, that year applying for Royalty.
6. Scoring is as follows: Form A-35%, Form B- 30%, Interview- 35%

EXPECTATIONS OF ROYALTY

1. Must be willing to represent 4-H throughout the year including participation in local community events and 4-H county activities.
2. Follow the 4-H Code of Conduct at all times
3. Follow the dress code:
 - Tops: All shirts/tops must have sleeves. They should not be revealing sitting or bending over. No midriffs should show even when the arms are raised. No inappropriate wording or symbols on shirts.
 - Shorts/Skirts: Shorts should be no less than two inches above the knee. No underwear should show below the shorts or above the shorts, even when bending over.
 - Tightness: No garment should be so tight as to reveal the outline of under garments or body parts.
 - Shoes: Wear appropriate shoes for the occasion.

REQUIRED EVENTS

1. Attend PC (Program Committee) meetings.
2. Attend the Annual 4-H Capital Days in Albany- 3 day state-wide conference.
3. Attend September Achievement Night, CCE Annual Meeting (October), Farm City Breakfast (first day of fair), 4-H Livestock Auction, and Closing Ceremonies at Fair. At these events, Royalty would be expected to carry the flag and say the American and 4-H pledge.
4. Volunteer at 4-H events and/or Fair Activities such as: Animal Science Event, Public Presentations, Judging Day, Milk bar, Parades, 4-H fundraisers, 4-H booth or tabling event (to promote 4-H), and/or Lead/Teach a workshop, etc.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

1. Table at a community event or hold a 4-H fundraiser
2. Volunteer at Niagara County Fair- provide activity in training center, animal science areas or see above
3. Promote 4-H at local school or community events- parades, talk to classrooms about your 4-H experiences, participate in a school open house, community fairs, etc.
4. Do a community service project in the name of 4-H
5. Write a press release or article for the local newspaper, or 4-H Clover Scene Newsletter

If you are planning to go to college in the fall, will you be available to fulfill your responsibilities, as listed here to represent and promote 4-H in Niagara County? This will include attendance and participation in the above activities. If, for some reason you are unable to fulfill an obligation, you should contact the office. You are responsible for finding transportation to and from these events. I have read and understand the above requirements and expectations and if selected will complete the tasks.

Signature of 4-H member Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

Niagara County 4-H Code of Conduct

EXPECTED BEHAVIOR:

1. All participants are expected to be responsive to the reasonable requests of the adult in charge at the time given. This includes following rules and regulations of the given event (for example: abiding by curfew).
2. All participants are expected to participate in all of the planned programs, to be on time and follow through on assigned tasks/responsibilities in a manner that insures the safety, well-being, and quality of the educational experience for self and others.
3. All participants will act in a mature, responsible manner, recognizing they are role models for others, and that they are representing themselves and the 4-H Youth Development Program.
4. All participants will be dressed appropriately for the event. Dress will depend on the event. If you are unsure about what is appropriate, in advance, contact the 4-H staff person in charge.
5. All participants will be considerate and courteous of all youth and adults and their property during travel, at group gatherings, and during free time.
6. All participants will respect the rights and opinions of others. CCE / 4-H youth development programming is open to diverse groups of youth. Some customs may be different than what one normally experiences.
7. All participants are to refrain from the possession and/or use of illegal drugs, tobacco products, or alcoholic beverages, firearms and or other weapons at all times. These are prohibited.
8. All participants are to refrain from romantic displays, sexual activities, and harassment either in public or private situations. These actions will not be tolerated.

CONSEQUENCES - *Any of the following may be used, depending on severity of the situation.*

- In mild cases, youth participant will receive a verbal warning.
- Young person may remain at the event, but may possibly be barred from a future event.
- Youth will be sent home at family's expense.

I have read the above Behavior Policy and will abide by the 4-H Youth Development Statewide Event Code of Conduct.

Signature of 4-H member Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

4-H Royalty Personal Data Form

Form A - Page 1

Forms A and B must be completed by the candidate personally.

- Complete Form A with all information of your 4-H career, and return to the **4-H Office by July 1.**
- Candidates must pick up Form B at their Royalty Interview (night of Workbee). Complete Form B with all of your fair information and return it to the Administration Building 4-H Office by Saturday during Fair by 9:00pm.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____
Number & Street City Zip

Club or Individual: _____ # Years in 4-H: _____

Mother's name: _____ Father's name: _____

Cell phone: _____ Email: _____

USE ADDITIONAL PAPER IF NECESSARY

What 4-H projects have you completed and # of years participating in that area:

What 4-H events you have participated in, list number of years you participated in that area.

4-H Contests (i.e. Skillathon)

Quiz Bowls

Animal Science Meetings & Shows

Fundraisers

Committees

Ambassadors

State Fair

Public Presentations

Farm Safety

4-H Open House

Other (please list)

4-H Royalty Personal Data Form
Form A - Page 2

1. School grade or college level you are entering in September : _____

2. List your leadership and community service experience as a 4-H member:

3. If you are selected, what are some of the things you would do to promote the 4-H Program in Niagara County:

4. Attach a general summary of your most important 4-H experiences during your time in 4-H so far, on an additional sheet of paper. Please print neatly, or type. No word minimum or maximum required.

Return to: Niagara County 4-H Office, 4487 Lake Ave., Lockport, NY 14094 on or before July 1. No late forms will be accepted.