LEWIS COUNTY 4-H AWARDS PACKET

Cloverbud Award

Project Completion Awards

Achievement Award

Citizenship Award

Leadership Award

Honor Award Trip

Outstanding Volunteer Nomination

Other Awards





All applications and forms are due to the Extension Office by 4pm on Friday, October 30, 2026



Achievement Night is getting a whole new look this year! Join us at the CCE Office, located at 7421 East Road Lowville, on Saturday, November 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

We'll celebrate the accomplishments of our Cloverbuds, 4-H members, honor trip recipients, and leaders while enjoying a special hands-on activity. Will you be making a wreath, a candle, or something completely unexpected? You'll have to join us to find out! Everyone will have the opportunity to create a fun take-home project. And did someone say pizza?!

This packet has been created to help 4-H members understand the award, recognition, and trip opportunities available to them. Additional project record sheets can be found on the CCE 4-H Forms page:
http://ccelewis.org/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms

We encourage all 4-H members to participate in this special day of celebration, food and fun. We look forward to recognizing the hard work and accomplishments of our 4-H members and leaders!

We'll see you on November 21st!





Lewis County 4-H Cloverbud Award Application

This award may be granted to any 5-7 year old Cloverbud member

Name_____ Age_____

4-H Club (or Independent)_____

Have you completed the following requirements for the 4-H Cloverbud Award?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Participated in exploratory 4-H activities

Yes ☐ No ☐ Turned in a Cloverbud project record sheet with this application

Yes ☐ No ☐ Has informed a 4-H leader on a project/activity you participated in

Yes ☐ No ☐ Has given a demonstration, talk, or prepared an exhibit on a project/activity

Cloverbud, please tell us about your year in 4-H. What was your favorite activity and why? (Use the back if more room is needed)

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4-H Member's Signature_____

Parent's Signature_____

Club Leader's Signature_____

Due to the 4-H Office by Friday, October 30th, no later than 4:00 pm.

Lewis County 4-H
Cornell Cooperative Extension Lewis County
7421 East Road, Lowville, NY 13367
(315) 376-5270

4-H Youth Development Project
Record Cloverbud Ages 5-7

If you have done more than one project, please use an additional form.

Name:_____ Age (as of Jan. 1) _____

Club Name (or Independent):_____ Years in 4-H: _____

Project Title: _____ Years in Project: _____

Put a check next to at least one skill learned in the following categories:

HEART

- ☐ Make new friends
- ☐ Share
- ☐ Care
- ☐ Cooperation

HANDS

- ☐ Teamwork
- ☐ Help
- ☐ Make Good Choices
- ☐ Be a leader

HEAD

- ☐ Prepare
- ☐ Keep a journal
- ☐ Think
- ☐ Problem Solving

HEALTH

- ☐ Feel good about myself
- ☐ Enjoy my project
- ☐ Be safe
- ☐ Take care of myself

How do you feel after finishing your project?(circle one)

☐ Awful ☐ Not very good ☐ Good ☐ Really good ☐ Brilliant

Explain what you did for your project.

Did you have fun? Do you think other people would like to do this project?

Lewis County 4-H Project Completion Award Application

This award may be granted to any (8-19 year old) 4-H member. The member must complete the work within the current 4-H year (October 1-September 30).

Name_____

Age_____

4-H Club Name (or Independent if no club) _____

REQUIRED	**Yes**	**No**
Selected and participated in a project		
Completed a project completion form or record book		
Informed the 4-H leader of all projects you have participated in		
Given a demonstration, talk or prepared an exhibit on a project		

OPTIONAL	**Yes**	**No**
Brought a parent to 50% of regular club meetings		
Served on a committee or as an elected officer		
Took a friend to a 4-H meeting or event		
Participated in a community service project		
Participated in a 4-H activity **(Achievement Day, Public Pres., Dairy Discover, Career Ex.)**		
Participated in a county workshop **(Such as showmanship, Tractor Safety, etc.)**		
Participated in a leadership event (for example Jr. Superintendent)		

4-H Member Signature_____

Parent's Signature_____

Club Leader's Signature_____
(leave blank if independent)

*Please complete just **one application** and staple all project record sheets for that member to it.

*Project record sheets must be completed and submitted to the County Extension office by **Friday, October 30th by 4:00 pm**. Project record sheets **are for each project**, not for each activity or event. It is necessary to have a form on file for consideration of a certificate at the awards ceremony.*

Project Record Sheet

Project Area:

Cornell University
Cooperative Extension
Lewis County

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Deadline: All 4-H members are required to complete at least one project record per year by September 30. (If applying for awards for Achievement Night please turn in by deadline on the award application.)
Member Name:_____ Age (as of Jan. 1): _____
Club name or Independent if no club _____Years in project area:_____

MY GOALS: Write your goals for your project. Remember a good goal tells three things:

1. Action – how you will do something (I will learn, I will improve, I will teach, I will increase…)
2. Results – what you are going to do (to work with watercolors, to groom my animal, how it works)
3. Timetable – when you are going to do it (within the 4H program year, in the next 6 months…)

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ACTIVITIES & EVENTS: List all that relate to this project. These can include county or state 4-H programs.

Activities could include: – went on a hike to take photos, used miter box to make angled trim, visited an art museum, etc.

Events include: workshops, educational tours, contests, quiz bowls, competitions, shows, certification courses, trips and conferences.

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2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

DEMONSTRATE OR EXHIBIT: How did you show off your new skills that you learned?

Examples could include: participated in a contest, livestock show, presented to an audience, demonstrated at a club project meeting, gave a speech, exhibited at the fair, etc.

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2. _____
3. _____

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RECOGNITION RECEIVED

Examples could include: club part for reaching your goal, congratulations from leader, awards, ribbons, certificates, etc.

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2. _____

What **RESOURCES** did you use to learn more about your project area? (Club Leader, other 4-Her, website, book, article, 4-H curriculum, hands-on activity, etc.)

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____ 6. _____

LIFE SKILLS learned during this project (Circle all that apply):



Fig. 1. Targeting Life Skills model. Source: Hendricks 1996.

This is your space to DESCRIBE your project:

(what was fun, challenging, favorite part, or anything else you want to share).

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Member's Signature: _____ Date: _____

To the best of my knowledge the above work was completed by this member for his/her 4-H project.

Club Leader's Signature (leave blank if independent): _____ Date: _____

Leaders: please initial in the Targeting Life Skills model above the skills you observed the member to develop in this project. These may be the same or different than the skills identified by the youth member. We appreciate your comments about youth skill development through this project.

Achievement Medal Award Application (This side to be filled out by 4-H member)

Name _____

Club Name or Independent: _____

Be sure to check all requirements for your application to be considered:

- ***4-H enrollment forms and payment are complete***
- ***Project Record Sheet is completed (with all necessary signatures) and turned into the 4-H office by the deadline***

This award may be granted to any (8-19 year old) 4-H member for overall high accomplishment in the 4-H program. This award is intended to recognize personal development through achievements throughout the year.

List all relative achievement activities you have done this year: (initiatives you took, goals you met, difficult situations you handled well, etc)

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Give a brief statement telling why you feel deserving of this award:

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In reflecting on your own experiences this year, what did you learn about Achievement?

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I personally prepared this report and believe it to be correct.

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4-H Member Signature ***Date***

*A*pplication must be completed on both sides and is due to the 4-H office by **4:00pm on Friday, October 30th** .

Achievement Medal Nomination Form (**This side to be filled out by Club Leader/Volunteer**)

To nominate a 4-H member for an Award fill out the form below and return it to the Lewis County 4-H Office by **4:00 pm on Friday, October** 30th. Awards will be awarded at Achievement Night. To be eligible to receive an Award, a 4-H member must be currently enrolled in the 4-H program and complete work in one project area. *(Please note: Cloverbuds are not eligible for this Award.)*

Your Name _____

4-H Member you wish to nominate: _____

4-H Leaders and Volunteers are encouraged to nominate eligible and deserving 4-H members for Awards Ceremony in the following categories: Leadership, Achievement and Citizenship. Awards are a form of recognition for 4-H members who have greatly improved their skills in a particular area or whose involvement has been significant and impactful.

I wish to nominate the above 4-H member for the Achievement Medal Award for the following reasons:

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I personally prepared this report and believe it to be correct.

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Leader or Volunteer Signature *(leave blank if independent)* ***Date***

Application must be completed on both sides and is due to the 4-H office by ***4****:00pm on Friday, October 30th.*

Citizenship Medal Award Application (This side to be filled out by 4-H member)

Name _____

Club Name or Independent: _____

Be sure to check all requirements for your application to be considered:

- ***4-H enrollment forms and payment are complete***
- ***Project Record Sheet is completed (with all necessary signatures) and turned into the 4-H office by the deadline***

This award may be granted to any (8-19 year old) 4-H member for citizenship activities for "their club, their community, their country and their world".

List all relative citizenship activities you have done this year:

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Give a brief statement telling why you feel deserving of this award:

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In reflecting on your own experiences this year, what did you learn about Citizenship?

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I personally prepared this report and believe it to be correct.

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4-H Member Signature ***Date***

Application must be completed on both sides and is due to the 4-H office by 4:00pm on Friday, October 30th.

Citizenship Medal Nomination Form (**This side to be filled out by Club Leader or Volunteer**)

To nominate a 4-H member for an Award fill out the form below and return it to the Lewis County 4-H Office by **4:00 pm on Friday, October** 30th. Awards will be awarded at Achievement Night. To be eligible to receive a County Medal Award, a 4-H member must be currently enrolled in the 4-H program and complete work in one project area.
(Please note: Cloverbuds are not eligible for this Award.)

Your Name _____

4-H Member you wish to nominate: _____

4-H Leaders and Volunteers are encouraged to nominate eligible and deserving 4-H members for Awards in the following categories: Leadership, Achievement and Citizenship. Awards are a form of recognition for 4-H members who have greatly improved their skills in a particular area or whose involvement has been significant and impactful.

I wish to nominate the above 4-H member for the Citizenship Medal Award for the following reasons:

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I personally prepared this report and believe it to be correct.

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Leader or Volunteer Signature *(leave blank if independent)* ***Date***

Application must be completed on both sides and is due to the 4-H office by 4:00pm on Friday, October 30th.

Leadership Medal Award Application (This side to be filled out by 4-H member)

Name_____

Club Name or Independent: _____

Be sure to check all requirements for your application to be considered:

- ***4-H enrollment forms and payment are complete***
- ***Project Record Sheet is completed (with all necessary signatures) and turned into the 4-H office by the deadline***

This award may be granted to any (8-19 year old) 4-H member for strengthening the local 4-H program by becoming involved in leadership responsibilities and encouraging other youth to do so. Leadership can be provided at the club, county or state levels.

List all relative leadership activities you have done this year:

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Give a brief statement telling why you feel deserving of this award:

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In reflecting on your own experiences this year, what did you learn about Leadership?

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I personally prepared this report and believe it to be correct.

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4-H Member Signature ***Date***

Application must be completed on both sides and is due to the 4-H office by 4:00pm on Friday, October 30th.

Leadership Medal Nomination Form (This side to be filled out by Club Leader or Volunteer)

To nominate a 4-H member for an Award fill out the form below and return it to the Lewis County 4-H Office by **4:00 pm on Friday, October 30th** . Medals will be awarded at Achievement Night. To be eligible to receive an Award, a 4-H member must be currently enrolled in the 4-H program and complete work in one project area. *(Please note: Cloverbuds are not eligible for County Medal Awards.)*

Your Name _____

4-H Member you wish to nominate: _____

4-H Leaders and Volunteers are encouraged to nominate eligible and deserving 4-H members for Awards in the following categories: Leadership, Achievement and Citizenship. Awards are a form of recognition for 4-H members who have greatly improved their skills in a particular area or whose involvement has been significant and impactful.

I wish to nominate the above 4-H member for the Leadership Medal Award for the following reasons:

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I personally prepared this report and believe it to be correct.

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Leader or Volunteer Signature *(leave blank if independent)* ***Date***

Application must be completed on both sides and is due to the 4-H office by 4:00pm on Friday, October 30th.

Lewis County Award Trip Application

Name_____

Age_____ Year in School_____

Club Name (or Independent if no club) _____

4-H award trips are sponsored through the 4-H General Fund.

Did you participate in this year's Fundraiser? _____
Have you participated in past Fundraisers? _____

Please list your ***4-H Leadership Experiences*** and indicate year(s) participated.
Examples: County Level: Club Officers (president, secretary), jr. superintendent, etc. State Level: teen evaluator, program ambassador, delegates, etc.

Year (s)	**4-H Leadership**

4-H County Wide Activities and Participation:

✓Please indicate the activities you have participated in this year.

Activity	County	District/Regional	State
Example: Clothing Revue	✓	*XXXXXXXX*	✓
Public Presentations			
Animal Showmanship			
Quiz Bowl Contests			
National 4-H Week		*XXXXXXXX*	*XXXXXXXX*
4-H Fundraiser		*XXXXXXXX*	*XXXXXXXX*
Fair Exhibits		*XXXXXXXX*	
Number of Workshops			
Achievement Night		*XXXXXXXX*	*XXXXXXXX*
Horse/Dairy/Livestock Clinic		*XXXXXXXX*	*XXXXXXXX*
Dairy Discovery/Career Ex		*XXXXXXXX*	*XXXXXXXX*
Other:			

This application is due at the 4-H office by 4:00pm on Friday, October 30th.

Please indicate the Award Trips you would like to be considered for, in order of preference, ie. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.

Career Explorations_____ Capital Days_____ Agri-Business Career Conf. _____

TRIP	TIME OF YEAR	AGE	DESCRIPTION
4-H Capital Days – Albany, NY	Mid - Late May	14 & Over	Two delegates will have the opportunity to visit the State Capital and expand their knowledge of state government. During this event, 4-H members will meet with leaders in state government, members of the court system and officials from a variety of state agencies. They also will have the opportunity to tour the Capitol and visit the Corning Tower, New York State Museum and other significant features of the area.
Career Explorations – Cornell University	Late June	Youth entering 8th grade & Up	This is a three day event for youth on the Cornell University campus. The purpose of the program is to provide youth with exposure to academic fields and career exploration. Participants will experience a college setting by staying in the dorms, eating in the dining halls, walking the campus and attending programs in their various departments.
ABC Conference – SUNY Cobleskill	Mid-Late October	14 & Over	This two day conference is for 4-H'ers with a sincere interest in learning more about agricultural careers. Tours include farms, businesses, and industry relating to agriculture. Participants will also attend seminars, hear guest speakers, and go on guided tours of the SUNY Cobleskill agricultural facility.

I want to go on this trip because:

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I personally prepared this report and believe it to be correct.

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Applicant's Signature ***Date***

I have reviewed this report and believe it to be correct.

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Parent/Guardian signature ***Date***

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Club Leader signature ***Date***

(leave blank if independent)

Have you ever received an award trip before? ☐ Yes ☐ No Which one?_____

This application is due at the 4-H office by 4:00pm on Friday, October 30th.

Lewis County 4-H
Outstanding 4-H Volunteer Award Nomination Form

To nominate a 4-H volunteer for the Outstanding 4-H Volunteer award fill out the form below and return it to the Lewis County 4-H Office by ***4:00 pm on Friday, October** 30th. Please write about the volunteer's strengths and their* commitment to the Lewis County 4-H Program. Your nomination submission will be given to the volunteer along with their award. All active 4-H volunteers are eligible to receive this award!

Your Name: (optional) _____

Volunteer you wish to nominate: _____

I wish to nominate the above volunteer for the Outstanding 4-H Volunteer Award for the following reasons:

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Please return this form to:
Lewis County 4-H Office
7421 East Road Lowville,
NY 13367
(315) 376-5270
By October 30, 2026

TRADITIONAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

The following five awards **DO NOT** require an application: Lisa Porter Spirit Award, Most Improved Dairy Member, Honor Secretary, News Reporter and Club Competition.

LISA PORTER SPIRIT AWARD

Objective: To recognize dedication to the 4-H dairy program. Actively participate in programs, helping others, though the individual may not excel for honors in activities.

MOST IMPROVED DAIRY MEMBER

Objective: To recognize a 4-H member who has enhanced their skills through continued participation in 4-H Dairy activities.

HONOR SECRETARY: Club & Independent

Awards are given to club secretaries and independent members who file 10 of 12 monthly reports to the 4-H Office by 10th of following month.

NEWS REPORTER AWARD

Based on evaluation of club news reports that is completed by the 4-H'er, **not by a parent**. Award based on accuracy, number and depth of articles.

CLUB COMPETITION

All clubs will be considered for one 1st, 2nd , and 3rd place prize. Points are collected based on recorded activities etc. These are compiled from monthly secretary's report.

INDEPENDENT MEMBER COMPETITION*

All independent members will be considered for one 1st, 2nd , and 3rd place prize. Points are collected based on recorded activities etc.

COUNTY ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATE

At the end of the 4-H year each member receives an achievement certificate for being a 4-H member. These are presented to each 4-H'er at the Annual Achievement Day event. A Project Record Sheet must be completed and submitted to the County Extension office by Friday, October 30th by 4:00 pm to be considered for a certificate. Cloverbuds receive Cloverbud certificates.