Mariposa County 4-H Supplement to Steps to Success in 4-H

This document is a supplement to the **STEPS TO SUCCCESS IN 4-H** effective 7/1/2015 for California 4-H, located at <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/210544.pdf> . Counties are allowed to add requirements to exhibit at fair, event attendance and their Incentives and Recognition Program. (This document outlines those additional requirements to be approved on 8/15/2016.)

REQUIREMENTS TO EXHIBIT AT FAIR

To qualify to exhibit at the Mariposa County Fair or any other county, district, or state fair as a 4-H member, a member must:

**Meet the following minimum written record keeping requirements (Effective 7/1/2016):**

* Up-to-date Annual Project Form (APR)
* 80% attendance at project meetings
* Review of APR by CCL and project leaders before signing fair entry
* Member in good standing including compliance with the 4-H Code of Conduct

**Meet the following enrollment and meeting attendance requirements:**

* Re-enrolling 4-H members must be enrolled by October 1.
* New 4-H members must be enrolled by November 15.
* Members can add or change projects until December 1.
  + Attend at least 6 hours of project instruction\* (eg. 6 – one hour meetings)
  + Complete Annual Project form (APR)
  + Not required but encouraged- completed animal project form and project presentation

\*Project Leaders may require more hours but the minimum is 6 hours of project instruction. We recommend our project leaders spread the learning experience over several meetings to allow youth time to reflect upon what they have learned, allow time to practice the skills they have learned, come back with questions for their leader, and reflect upon their learning experiences before engaging in the next step(s). We HIGHLY recommend that project leaders’ use the opportunity to develop more in-depth learning experiences (aka, project meetings) since 6 hours is the minimum required. However, we recognize that there are some learning experiences that can be completed in a 6 hour time frame.

# INCENTIVES AND RECOGNITON

The California 4-H Incentives and Recognition program governs the many ways awards may be earned. Additional programs may be offered and are governed at the county level.

Awards may be earned by members participating in many different Mariposa County 4-H events such as, Achievement Night, Judging Day, County Presentation Day, Favorite Foods, and Fashion Revue.

For member’s record books to be judged at the county level they must have received a gold seal at the club level. Books submitted for county level judging are eligible to participate in the state sanctioned county record book contest as well as the Mariposa County 4-H Project Record Book contest.

Per state record book rules only senior level members are eligible to submit their record books to the state contest.

**Going for a new Star Rank-**

Must turn in a completed PDR along with APR

**Junior/Teen Leader Credit-**

To receive credit for Junior or Teen leader must complete Junior/Teen Leader form with all signatures

**County Project Award-**

Can interview for 2 projects

Turn in APR and animal project forms and have interview on project(s) selected by member

Members who choose to participate in the Mariposa County 4-H Project Records contest will also be required to be interviewed by a committee and may need to include the other livestock/horse report forms found on the county website, if project leader has required those documents.

**All members receiving a gold seal at club level will receive a gold medal**

# EVENT PARTICIPATION

Participation in Horse Level Testing requires horse project leader approval.

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