Ohio 4-H Clover Award Program

Purpose:
To encourage 4-H members to engage in a variety of projects and activities, to enable members to refine their record keeping abilities, and to enhance their leadership skills. The Clover Awards program also is designed to recognize youth for their continued involvement and growth through the 4-H program.

Background:
The Ohio 4-H Clover Award program encompasses the progression of leadership skill development in 4-H members as they grow in the 4-H program. Levels are based on developmentally appropriate activities and natural progression of skills and types of activities pertaining to a member's age, experience in 4-H, and opportunities available.

Prerequisites for ALL LEVELS:

1. Youth may begin applying for Clover Awards as project age members; 8 and in the 3rd grade or 9 years old as of January 1st of the year they are applying. All work listed on the form must be from project age forward.
    1. Youth must be 16 as of January 1st to apply for the Emerald level award.
2. Member must be a member in good standing with their county 4-H program (including but not limited to attending the minimum number of club meetings and completing at least one approved 4-H project during the program year).
3. Member may take multiple years to complete one level, if necessary.
4. Members may only win the Emerald award one time in their 4-H career.
5. Members may use dates from the current program year or previous participating program years on level applications. However, member may only use the event and date once when completing any and all application levels. (i.e. you attend the county round-up in 2021, 2022, and 2023. You may use each of these events and dates as you attended three times. You may not use county round-up 2021 on multiple level applications.)
6. Activities used must be approved by the respective county, state, or national levels. Please see end of this document for a list of approved activities and/or examples of county level activities.

Deadlines:

- Levels 1-4 (White, Bronze, Silver, Gold) are due to your county Extension Office by the deadline provided by your county.
- Level 5 (Emerald Award) forms are due to the state 4-H office by December 1.

Awards

- Levels 1-4 (White, Bronze, Silver, Gold) will be awarded at a date and event as determined by your county Extension Office.
- Level 5 (Emerald Award) will be recognized on stage at the following year's Ohio 4-H Teen Award Luncheon in March.

For additional resources, visit go.osu.edu/ohio4hcloveraward.

CFAES provides research and related educational programs to clientele on a non-discriminatory basis. For more information, visit cfaes.osu.edu/nondiscrimination.

Ohio 4-H Clover Award Program
LEVEL 5 – EMERALD CLOVER REPORTING FORM

Due to the Ohio State 4-H Office by December 1.
Applicants must be at least 16 years old as of January 1.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

4-H Club: _____

Age (as of 1/1/XX) _____ Birth Date: _____ Years in 4-H: _____

☐ I am a member in good standing within my county 4-H program

Check 14 tasks you accomplished for this level:
See list of approved events/activities at go.osu.edu/ohio4hcloveraward.

- ☐ Complete at least one 4-H project from a new or different project area that you haven't explored yet.
- ☐ Exhibit at least one 4-H project at the state fair.
- ☐ Attend at least three county 4-H activities or events.
- ☐ Participate in a 4-H contest (county/state/national) *(Examples include Communications, Workforce, Health and Safety Speaking, Livestock Judging, Foods, etc.).*
- ☐ Attend a day or residential 4-H camp.
- ☐ Attend at least 1 regional or state event.
- ☐ Attend at least 1 national 4-H event (CWF, National 4-H Conference, IGNITE, etc.).
- ☐ Participate in a cultural immersion experience (Puerto Rico, Greece, D.C., etc.).
- ☐ Provide leadership for a citizenship activity *(local government day, school board meeting, township/city council meeting, county commissioners meeting, etc.).*
- ☐ Provide leadership for a 4-H club community service project or as part of your 4-H project. **Can use task twice with 2 different experiences*
- ☐ Complete and submit a state achievement award form.
- ☐ Provide leadership for a 4-H club activity or event or fundraiser.
- ☐ Organize a 4-H promotional activity *(social media, newspaper, scrapbook, window display, TV/radio appearance, parade, educational display, etc.).*
- ☐ Teach a state or national level workshop (O4HC, OFMA, etc.).
- ☐ Assist a younger member with their project or demonstration.
- ☐ Serve as a club officer/committee chair. **Can use task twice with 2 different experiences*
- ☐ Serve on a county 4-H committee or teen leadership position *(Camp Counselor, Junior Fair Board, Jr. Leaders, CARTEENS, etc.). *Can use task twice with 2 different experiences*
- ☐ Serve as an officer on a county 4-H committee or teen leadership position *(Camp Counselor, Junior Fair Board, Jr. Leaders, CARTEENS, etc.). *Can use task twice with 2 different experiences*
- ☐ Serve on a state board or council *(TLC, Fashion Board, 4HEYA, 4-H Foundation Board, etc.).*
- ☐ Interview for a position at county or state level (royalty, committee chair, officer, etc.).
- ☐ Serve as a state officer or committee chair.

CFAES provides research and related educational programs to clientele on a non-discriminatory basis. For more information, visit cfaes.osu.edu/nondiscrimination.

Complete explanations for the 14 tasks you completed. Explanations should be in sentence form, show what you learned from the experience, and should be age appropriate.

Example Explanation:
Correct: I participated in Citizenship Washington Focus. This trip taught me to lead a meaningful conversation with compassion and knowledge. By learning about democracy and connecting with teens nationwide, I became a stronger leader and communicator. I also learned that I can make a difference in my community and plan to work with my local government going forward.
Incorrect: Attended Citizenship Washington Focus

TASK 1: _____
DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____
What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 2: _____
DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____
What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 3: _____
DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____
What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 4: _____
DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____
What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 5: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 6: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 7: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 8: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 9: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 10: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 11: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 12: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 13: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

TASK 14: _____

DATE (MONTH AND YEAR): _____

What did you learn while completing the task?

Additional Submission Requirement for Level 5 – Emerald Clover Award:
In addition to completing 14 of the above tasks, members must also submit the following along with their Emerald Clover award to the State 4-H Office via the online application at ***go.osu.edu/ohio4hcloveraward*** by December 1 of the year completed.

1. 4-H Resume (no more than 2 pages) – *Submit as Word or PDF document*
    a. Resume should highlight 4-H experiences and related school and community involvement.
2. 1-page Cover Letter describing how you have grown throughout your 4-H journey and influenced your future plans. - *Submit as Word or PDF document*
3. Video Submission (1-3 minutes) describing your 4-H experience and how it has impacted you.
    a. Your submitted video doesn't need to be perfectly edited with graphics and images – we prefer it to be just you! Please make sure the sound quality is good, your background and appearance is appropriate, etc.
    b. If video is over 5 MB, you must copy and paste a link to the video below using a shared link (Google, Youtube unlisted video link, OneDrive, etc.). Make sure the link is accessible to anyone with access to the link.

I have reviewed this report and find it complete, accurate, and adequate to meet the requirements of Level 5 – Emerald Clover Ohio 4-H Clover Award Program.

4-H Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

4-H Club Volunteer Signature: _____ Date: _____

4-H Educator Signature of Receipt: _____ Date: _____