Dear Adams County 4-H’er,

As our 2016 4-H year draws to a close, it is time to complete record books, award books, and apply for special awards. It has come to my attention that you are eligible for the Golden Clover Award.

Enclosed please find:

- Information stating the purpose of the Golden Clover Award and the Criteria

- Application

I would like to encourage you to take the time to read about the Golden Clover Award and to submit your application by 5 p.m. on September 15th, 2016.

Congratulations on all your accomplishments during your 4-H career.

Best of Luck

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Adams County Extension Assistant
Adams County 4-H Golden Clover Criteria
(Approved by Adams County 4-H Council 12/11/06)

Golden Clover Award will recognize two (2) Adams County 4-Hers for their outstanding well-rounded 4-H career.

The purpose of the Golden Clover Award:
1. Recognize two (2) Adams County 4-Hers for exceptional achievement
2. The Golden Clovers (the year following being chosen) will:
   a. Promote 4-H throughout the county
   b. Take part in pre-fair and fair activities, Achievement night, Volunteer Recognition, etc.
   c. Be an ambassador for the Adams County 4-H program to other organizations.
3. In recognition of being designated as the Adams County 4-H Golden Clover will receive:
   a. A gold clover pin when named as Golden Clover (4-H Council).
   b. A Golden Clover Commemorative Award at the end of their service (4-H Council).
   c. A cash award after their year of service from the Adams County Ag. Society.

Criteria:
1. To receive the award you must be at least 15 years old (4-H age)
2. Must have at least one more year of eligibility in the youth portion of the Adams County 4-H program
3. Can only win the award once
4. Sign the expectation agreement to fulfill duties and enroll in Adams County 4-H program
5. The Golden Clover application form will be scored and judged by another county from the south central part of Nebraska
6. The Golden Clover application form will be due in the Adams County Extension Office the same date as the Career Portfolios for county awards
7. Golden Clover application form will be divided into 5 different divisions – with points allotted to each division as follows:
   a. Projects - 20 Points (maximum 800 words)
      i. Two (2) paragraphs on two (2) project areas participated in where growth can be demonstrated over their 4-H career.
      ii. One (1) paragraph on what other project areas were taken to indicate the 4-Her’s career is well rounded.
   b. 4-H Activities – 20 Points (maximum 800 words)
      i. Two (2) paragraphs on two (2) activities participated in where growth can be demonstrated over their 4-H career.
      ii. One (1) paragraph on what other 4-H activities were participated in that indicates the 4-Her’s career is well rounded.
c. 4-H Leadership - 30 Points (maximum 800 words)
   i. One page indicating offices, committees, boards, serving in leadership roles – such as workshop helper, superintendent, etc.
d. Community Service - 20 Points (Maximum 400 words)
   i. One-Half page indicating 4-H community service activities.
   ii. One-Half page indicating community service activities outside of 4-H.
e. 4-H Story “Why I should be selected as the Golden Clover for Adams County” – 10 Points (Maximum 400 words)
   i. One-page story written to the title.

Application form will be either typewritten or computer generated (12 point – Ariel or Times Roman – one (1) inch margins top and bottom and one-half (1/2) inch margins sides. No attachments allowed. Spelling and grammar will be considered.

Recommended – Application will be submitted with a Cover Page to include the 4-H’er’s name, County, Type of Application and the Year (No Picture of Applicant), and in a Report Cover/Folder.

Golden Clover Application can be found on the website at http://adams.unl.edu/adamscounty4h

Please submit your applications by 5:00 PM, September 15, 2016 To Adams County Extension via one of the following methods: Hand Delivery: 515 West 3rd between 8AM-5PM US Mail: PO Box 30 Hastings NE 68902-0030