

## NEBRASKA 4-H SENIOR ACHIEVEMENT APPLICATION

This application is for all 4-H participants ages 15-18. It is used for the selection of county and state awards including the selection of delegates to the National 4-H Congress and National 4-H Conference and the selection of recipients of Nebraska 4-H Foundation scholarships. For more information about Nebraska 4-H Achievement Applications or for additional rules and guidelines, please visit: <https://4h.unl.edu/achievement-application>.

### COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

- Applications must be completed and submitted to the local Extension Office
- Limit responses in the “My Experiences” section to a maximum of four (4) pages, single-spaced, 12-point font. A fifth page is allowed for delegate applicants.
- In the selection process, significant accomplishments in your **4-H experience, leadership, community involvement, and career spark** are given more consideration than the number of 4-H projects completed.
- Creativity is encouraged, use bullet lists, photos, infographics, etc. to help tell your 4-H story.

A complete application includes:

1. Designation of Awards and Program Areas of Submission
2. About Me page
3. My Experience answers (4 pages max)

### SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION

Please submit completed applications to your county Extension office by **October 1, 2023** deadline or you can email to [tanya.crawford@unl.edu](mailto:tanya.crawford@unl.edu)

Following your county review, you may make revisions if needed before you submit for state-level awards application review.

All state-level applications must be submitted via email to [4HAchieves@unl.edu](mailto:4HAchieves@unl.edu) by January 5. Files should be labeled with the applicant's last name, first name, and county. For example: “Walker\_Robin\_Douglas-Sarpy”



Please check the opportunities for which you are applying. You may check more than one:

	Local 4-H Scholarship
	State 4-H Scholarships – Mark this if you wish to have your local scholarship considered to go on for state awards if chosen.

### ABOUT ME

Name: (First Middle Last)		
Present Address:		
City:		
State:		
Zip:		
County (enrolled in 4- H):		
Home Phone:		
Cell Phone:		
Email Address:		
Date of Birth: (MM/DD/YEAR)		
Current Age:		

### CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

***By inserting initials below, I certify that the information in this application is accurate and complete.***

Applicant's Signature (typed initials):

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Date:

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Parent/Guardian's Signature (typed initials):

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Date:

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Answer the following items within a maximum of 4 pages. Please use headings (**4-H Experiences, Leadership Experiences, Community Involvement/Service-Learning Experiences, and Career Spark**) to separate your responses. Creativity is encouraged, use bullet lists, photos, infographics, etc. to help tell your 4-H story. The items bulleted are suggestions of what might help us understand your involvement and learning.

## **4-H EXPERIENCES**

### *Part 1*

Describe your collective 4-H experience.

- Indicate the depth and breadth of your 4-H experience.
- Identify the number of years in the program.
- Identify program experiences in which you engaged.
- What skills have you learned as a result of being a part of the 4-H program?
- What have you learned about yourself as a result of being a part of 4-H?

### *Part 2*

Describe your 4-H experience within the last 4-H year.

- What was your level of involvement?
- Identify 3 program experiences that you would consider a “highlight” of your year.
  - Describe these experiences. What did you do? What was involved? Who was a part of this experience? Why did you want to participate? What was accomplished through this experience? What was your favorite part of the experience? What did you learn?
- How will this past year influence your future (i.e., 4-H experience, classroom experience, career, etc.)?

## **LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES**

### *Part 1: 4-H Leadership Experiences*

Describe your 4-H leadership experiences that have helped build your leadership skills.

- What type of leadership was it?
  - For example: Roles (Club President), Activities (4-H Lend a Hand Day), Experiences (Being a Junior Ambassador for my county).
- When did these experiences occur?
- Identify your part in the experiences:
  - Duties you completed
  - Responsibilities you fulfilled
  - Skills you utilized
- What did you learn about leadership through these experiences?

### *Part 2: Non 4-H Leadership Experiences*

Describe your Non 4-H leadership experiences that have helped build your leadership skills.



- What type of leadership was it?
  - For example: Roles (Youth Choir Jr. Director), Activities (Warrior Football Camp), and Experiences (Student Council Member).
- When did these experiences occur?
- Identify your part in the experiences:
  - Duties you completed
  - Responsibilities you fulfilled
  - Skills you utilized
- What did you learn about leadership through these experiences?

## **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/SERVICE-LEARNING EXPERIENCES**

Describe two times you were involved in volunteer service to others and/or the community through 4-H or other opportunities.

- List the type of involvement
- When did the experiences occur?
- What were duties, responsibilities, and skills you used to be successful?
- What did you learn in each of your experiences?

## **CAREER SPARK**

Describe how your 4-H experiences have sparked your interest in a future career field.

