

**Bowie County 4-H
Recognition & Awards
Packet
2020-2021**

**applications due to
Extension office by
July 9, 2021**

(Interviews tentively set for July 20th)

Recordbooks due June 10, 2021

Gold Star Award

The Gold Star Award is the highest county achievement award and will be awarded only **once** in a member's 4-H career. Counties have award quotas based on the number of senior 4-H members. The award is presented to the most deserving young people without regard to sex. The following are minimum requirements that must be met.

1. The member must be at least 15 years of age as of August 31st of the current 4-H year of the award and must have completed at least 3 years in 4-H, including the current year.
2. The 4-H member must submit an awards program record book in the year he or she is to be considered for the award.
3. The 4-H member must have completed projects in three different project areas, and have submitted appropriate record forms, and have participated in one or more activities in at least three of the following areas:
 - ✿ educational presentation contests
 - ✿ citizenship activities
 - ✿ projects
 - ✿ project exhibits
 - ✿ camps
 - ✿ leadership institute
 - ✿ public relations (speeches, poster displays, radio, TV, newspaper)
 - ✿ other (includes exchange programs, fund-raising, state & national congress, etc.)

(NOTE: the requirements for projects and activities do not all have to be completed in the current year. They may have been accomplished over the entire period of time the person has been in the program.)

- ✿ The member must have exhibited leadership skills by serving as a 4-H officer or committee chairman (club, county, district or state), and/or as a junior or teen leader in an activity or project with or under the supervision of an adult volunteer leader.
- ✿ The 4-H member must have participated in one or more service learning activities. Examples are working with or counseling junior 4-H members; participating in service learning projects (individual, group or club); and motivating other 4-H members through participation in demonstrations, projects and/or exhibits.
- ✿ submit an awards application, essay and a record book

Silver Star

The Silver Star Award is to recognize outstanding achievements by an intermediate 4-H member.

Must have:

- be at least 11 years old, but not past their 13th birthday as of August 31st of current 4-H year
- been a 4-H member for at least 2 years
- participated in a minimum of 2 projects
- submit an awards application, essay and a record book

Applicants will be interviewed at a designated time. May be received only **once**. May be awarded to a maximum of 2 intermediate 4-H'ers per year.

Bronze Star

The Bronze Star Award is to recognize outstanding achievements by a junior 4-H member.

Must have:

- not past their 10th birthday on August 31st of current 4-H year
- be a 2nd year 4-H member (excluding clover kid years)
- participated in a minimum of 1 project
- submit an awards application, essay and a record book

Applicants will be interviewed at a designated time. May be received only **once**. May be awarded to a maximum of 2 juniors per year

Outstanding Junior/Intermediate/Senior

The Outstanding 4-H Award is a county award given to the 4-Her based on their *current years* activities and achievements.

1. one recipient per age division
2. complete an application, essay & a record book
3. based on current year activities ONLY
4. applicant will interview at a designated time
5. may be received more than once during 4-H career

Rookie Award Guidelines

1. Must be a 1st year 4-H member (not joined 4-H, been out for a while & joining again – VERY first time)
2. Does not include Clover Kid membership
3. Applicant will interview at designated time
4. May be received only once during 4-H career

Jimmy Guffey Citizenship Award

1. Given to a 4-H member who has shown to be exemplary in leadership and service learning projects
2. Minimum of one award will be given per age division with eligible applicant
3. Applicant will interview at designated time
4. May receive more than once per age division

Other Awards

1. Danforth I Dare You Leadership Award – selected by leaders
2. Maxcine Guffey Scholarship – selected by leaders based on leadership
3. Project Completion – complete form to receive certificate
4. Club awarded awards – Honor Roll Award & Letterman Award (*see club managers for application*)

In addition to awards application - ALL awards applications include a one (1) page, double spaced essay titled

“What 4-H Means To Me”

And a project record book where indicated

Bowie County 4-H Awards Application

Circle award(s) qualified for:

- Star Award: Bronze (Junior), Silver (Intermediate), Gold (Senior)
- Outstanding 4-Her: Junior, Intermediate, Senior
- Rookie Award: Junior, Intermediate, Senior
- Jimmy Guffey Citizenship Award: Junior, Intermediate, Senior

Name: _____

Address: _____

Age (as of 8/31/2020): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian: _____

of years in 4-H: _____ Name of Club: _____

School: _____ Grade Completed: _____

My record book this year was in _____ awards program.

CHECK LIST: Check those that apply to you:

Projects:

_____ Number of completed projects this year. List your completed projects: _____

Activities: current year (add 1 extra page if needed)

_____ County Events/Contests – (list contests): _____

_____ District Events/Contests – (list contests): _____

_____ State – event/contest: _____

Event/contest: _____

Event/contest: _____

_____ Camp(s) (include Leadership or project specific camps): list _____

_____ Other (list most important, include promoting 4-H)

Leadership: (add 1 extra page if needed)

_____ Officer or committee chair – level (club, county, district, state): _____

_____ junior or teen leader in a project or activity under the supervision of an adult
volunteer – list project or event: _____

Service Learning: (add 1 extra page if needed)

_____ Service Learning project or event(s): _____

1. What do you consider your most outstanding 4-H project? Why?

2. What is your favorite contests in which you have participated? Why?

3. List your most outstanding leadership experiences in 4-H (club, county, district, offices held, committees) & why it was outstanding:

4. List major awards & recognition received in 4-H:

5. Describe your most fulfilling service learning project involvement:

6. How have you promoted 4-H?

7. What have you learned from 4-H?

8. List the funniest/most unusual experience in connection with a project:

9. (Senior Age 4-Her's ONLY) What are your career plans when you finish High School/College?

I have personally prepared this report and believe it to be correct:

Applicant's signature

date

Parent or Guardian signature

date

Short statement by unrelated club manager / adult project leader / adult volunteer describing involvement of applicant:

Club Manager / Adult Project Leader / Adult Volunteer signature (*someone not related to applicant*)

date