

Somervell County Awards & Opportunities

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ROOKIE AWARD

Open to ANY age- can only receive once:

Requirements:

Complete at least one 4-H project

Participate in a community service activity

Participate in a county-wide 4-H activity

Participate in a school or community activity

Complete a Record Book

BRONZE STAR AWARD

Junior Division Award-can only receive once:

Requirements:

Complete at least one 4-H project

Participate in a community service activity

Participate in a county-wide 4-H activity

Participate in a school or community activity

Submit a Record Book

Must provide an interview

SILVER STAR AWARD

Intermediate Division Award-can only receive once:

Requirements:

Complete at least one 4-H project

Participate in a community service activity

Participate in a county-wide 4-H activity

Participate in a school or community activity

Submit a Record Book

Must provide an interview

WORKHORSE AWARD

ANY AGE- 1-2 from Each Club will be chosen- can receive multiple times

Meeting attendance: 90%

Community service participation: 80%

Assist with all fundraisers for club

Positively impacts club

No interview

GOLD STAR AWARD

Senior Division Award:

Requirements:

The member must have at least completed, or be completing their 9th grade school year at the time of application, and must have completed at least 3 years in 4-H, including the current year.

The Gold Star Award can only be awarded once in a member's 4-H career.

The 4-H member must have completed projects in at least three different project areas, submitted appropriate record forms, and have participated in one or more activities in at least three of the following areas:

- Projects and/or Project Exhibits
- Participation in Leadership Experiences such as Leadership Labs, Texas 4-H Congress, or National Leadership Events such as National 4-H Congress/Conference, and any county, district, or state leadership group.
- Competitive Events (judging, educational presentation, public speaking, food show, quiz bowls, etc).
- Citizenship activities
- Camps at the county, district, or state level.
- 4-H Promotion (speeches, poster displays, radio, TV, newspapers)
- Other (includes exchange programs, fund raising) 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 chair (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 community service activities. Examples include providing leadership to a One Day 4-H project, working with or counseling junior 4-H members; participating in community service projects (individual, group or club); and motivating other 4-H members through participation in demonstrations, projects and/or exhibits.

The 4-H member **MUST SUBMIT A TEXAS 4-H RECORDBOOK** in the year they are to be considered for the award.

Somervell County Awards Application

Name:

Divison:

Years in 4-H:

Award(s) Applying for- circle below

Rookie Bronze Silver Gold Workhorse

***turn record book in with application**

Due June 19th

Somervell County Project Pin Categories

Project Pin Category	Description
Agricultural Pin	Agriculturally related animal projects such as Exotic Wildlife Animals, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, Llama/Alpaca, and Livestock Judging . Projects NOT suitable: beef, horse, rabbit, sheep, goat, swine or poultry or any other species that has a defined category.
Beef Pin	Market and/or breeding beef project. Examples of activities to include animal husbandry, livestock selection, health, quiz bowls, and the exhibition of beef cattle at local, county, state, and national cattle show.
Community Service Pin	Participated in 75% of the community service activities held by club.
Dog Care & Training Pin	Activities related to dogs such as daily care and health, being a “dog foster parent”, obedience training, training in areas of service, community service and competition.
Consumer Education Pin	Activities where youth learn to make wise decisions when making purchases, whether it is apparel, home appliances, electronics, personal financial <u>tools</u> or automobiles. Project activities also focus on the economy, money management, consumer rights and responsibilities, and the environment as it relates to the consumer. Consumer Decision Making
Entomology & Bees Pin	Activities where youth learn about insects by studying, <u>collecting</u> and identifying various insects. Discover how helpful and harmful insects live, multiply, are controlled, and affect humans. Includes activities such as beekeeping.
Food & Nutrition Pin	Activities related to the food and nutrition project where youth learn to make healthy food choices, prepare nutritious and safe meals and snacks, gain knowledge of nutrients, and adopt behaviors that can help reduce their risk for chronic disease. Food Show, Food Challenge & SCYF Food
Gardening & Horticulture Pin	Activities related to the horticulture project where youth learn about plant growth, environmental horticulture and ecology, fruits and nuts, landscape design, soil and water, insects and diseases, vegetables and herbs, and life skills and career opportunities.
Goats Pin	Market and/or breeding goat project. Examples of activities to <u>include</u> : animal husbandry, livestock selection, health, and the exhibition of meat or haired goats at local, county, state, and national goat shows. This category excludes dairy goat activities, which must be entered in the Agricultural Sciences category.
Healthy Living Pin	Activities where youth learn how to improve physical, intellectual, emotional, and social health. It also focuses on healthy living, prevention and wellness and community health resources. Safety concerns related to health issues, such as first aid and emergency preparedness, can also be included.
Horse Pin	Activities related to the horse project such as activities in horsemanship, horse development, <u>selection</u> and training. Horse project members can

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	demonstrate their knowledge and skills through exhibiting horses, riding competitions, quiz bowls, speaking events and judging events.
Judging Pin	Activities <u>include</u> : Wool, Mohair, Soil, Meat, and Ag Product ID
Leadership Pin	Activities where youth can demonstrate learning and the practice of leadership life skills. Information provided in this category could demonstrate growth in leadership through a variety of projects. Leadership skills can be learned and practiced through elected/appointed positions, volunteering and making things happen, and/or facilitating activities. Leadership skills and philosophy include, but are not limited to, <u>understanding</u> and accepting self, caring for others, communication skills of listening and speaking, group dynamics, interacting with others, decision making, delegating, and parliamentary procedure. Leaders 4 Life
Outdoor Education and Recreation Pin	This category covers the study and exploration of the science, <u>skills</u> and knowledge within the 4-H Natural Resources project areas. Project areas include Wildlife & Fisheries, Forestry, Aquatic Science, Range Management, Water Resources and Outdoor Education. Learning experiences can include self and group study, events, and activities related to each project area, a variety of summer camp experiences, and a wide array of curriculum enrichment school programs.
Photography and Video Pin	The photography project encourages self-expression and teaches proper use of photographic equipment and technologies that include print and digital media. This project allows for participants to express artistic talents and communicate them through their project work. Photography provides opportunity for career exploration and promoting 4-H.
Plant Science Pin	The soil and crop science project offers activities and experiences <u>in the area of soils</u> and the science of raising productive and healthy agricultural crops. Backyard gardening projects are not suitable for this category.
Poultry Pin	The poultry project teaches members poultry production and marketing by managing poultry projects. Project topics include broilers, capons, turkeys, egg production, and development from egg to chick.
Public Speaking Pin	The public speaking project develops and promotes the skills needed to research, <u>organize</u> and present a speech on a given topic. Participants learn the process of speaking to a group of people in a structured, deliberate manner intended to inform, influence, or entertain listeners. In addition, participants develop their own personal style, while projecting a positive personal appearance. Members learn about the different types and use of various speaking styles while having the opportunity to practice those skills.
Rabbit/Cavy Pin	The rabbit/cavy project teaches proper methods of caring for, raising, breeding, and marketing rabbits/cavies. There are three project options: market, breeding, or any non- competitive (i.e., pet) projects.
Robotics Pin	The robotics project is a contest designed to allow members to demonstrate their robotics, engineering, and problem-solving skills.

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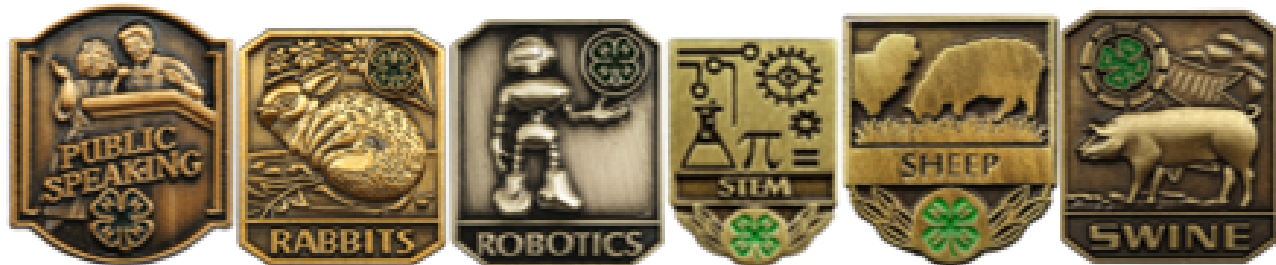
STEM Pin	Includes all aspects of biological, mechanical, or electronic sciences. Any activities related to 4-H Science are included in this category. Agriculture Mechanics is included in this category.
Sheep Pin	The sheep category includes activities such as selecting, feeding, exhibiting, raising, animal health, nutrition, <u>breeding</u> and marketing sheep. Includes market or breeding animals.
Shooting Sports Pin	This category covers education in the knowledge and skills of firearms and their use. The Shooting Sports project provides comprehensive introduction to handling and shooting safety and the fundamentals of firearm use. Disciplines include archery, pistol, rifle, shotgun, and muzzle loading. To receive an archery, <u>shotgun</u> or rifle specific pin you must attend at least half the practices.
Swine Pin	The swine category includes activities such as selecting, feeding, raising, animal health, nutrition, breeding, and marketing swine. Either market or breeding animals can be raised.
Performing Arts Pin	This category includes activities and events such as stage performance, stage design, videography, dance, and Share-The-Fun . Youth should include information about how they have developed communication skills, decision making, and problem solving as well as career exploration in related fields. This category does not include photography or public speaking.
Veterinary Science Pin	This category includes the broad study and/or practice of the techniques and procedures involved in caring for animals. It includes learning about veterinarian careers and course of study. This category should include activities or knowledge beyond basic, routine animal husbandry.
Wildlife & Fisheries	Experiences and learning opportunities includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • habitat management • wildlife biology and ecology • hunting and fishing • wildlife watching

4-H Career Milestones

Bronze	Awarded to Junior members advancing to the Intermediate division
Silver	Awarded to Intermediate members advancing to the Senior division
Gold	Awarded to Senior members going into their senior year of high school



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Project Pin Form **Due June 19**

To qualify for a project pin, you must be currently enrolled in 4-H Online.

Direction: Please check the Project Pin Category List to make sure you are applying for the correct project pin. Please fill out information for the pin you are applying for. Under project experiences you must list the activities you completed to show how you finished the project.

4-H Member Name: _____ Email: _____

Primary 4-H Club: _____

Circle/check one of the 4-H Career Milestones (reached this current 4-H year)

3 Years Active 6 Years Active 9 Years Active None

Circle/check yes or no: Did you complete a record book this year?

Yes No

Circle/check one if you served as an officer for 2022-2023

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Reporter Parliamentarian

Example Project: Agricultural Pin

Summation of Experience: I completed in Livestock Judging at District and Major Stock Shows and practiced weekly for 3 months. I was able to apply the knowledge and skills learned to mu show animals.

Must submit photo proof of project participation.

Project #1 Summation of

Experience: _____

Project #2: Summation of

Experience: _____

Project #3: Summation of

Experience: _____

Project #4: Summation of

Experience: _____

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Project #5: Summation of

Experience: _____

Project #6: Summation of

Experience: _____

Project #7: Summation of

Experience: _____

Project #8: Summation of

Experience: _____

Project #9: Summation of

Experience: _____

Project #10: Summation of

Experience: _____

