



that's what we're made of

Character Counts Fairness

Lesson on Fairness

Fairness is being free from bias, dishonesty or injustice. Fairness is showing everyone equality and that they are all valued as people. Being a fair 4-H member has a vast amount of meanings. It means abiding by all rules so that you not only are fair to others but also yourself. It could mean making sure everyone gets an equal chance at club meetings or making a fair environment so every 4-H member gets treated in an equal manner.

Fairness

People of good character are Fair to each other as well as themselves. You become a fair person by giving an equal chance to everyone involved in an activity. Give everyone a fair chance by:

- *Not cheating*
- *Making sure to get enough for everyone*
- *Showing everyone the same respect.*



"Fairness is not an attitude. It's a professional skill that must be developed and exercised."

~Brit Hume

Fairness Activity

Fairness at Fair in the Livestock Barn!

Divide livestock project members into groups of 6-10 kids. Ideally, each group would include youth that are not accustomed to being together. Who ever keeps their section the cleanest and earns the most points will be the winner at the end of the week.

This activity can reinforce that working together as a group can make it "fair" for everyone! It can also help teach that there are times when life is not fair and sometimes one might have to step up and help do the work for others who do not contribute their share.

4-H Connections

Some 4-H events and contests can be stressful and make it easy to create an unfair environment. When competing in these activities be fair to other 4-H members!

- Wait your turn in lines
- Try to give everyone an equal chance
- Treat others in a way you want to be treated!