

Indicators of Successful 4-H Community Clubs and Groups

Below are some indicators for successful 4-H Community Clubs and Groups.

- **Place a check mark by the bullets of three things you are doing well in your club or group.**
- **Place a star by three of them you could use a little help with.**

Club/Group Processes - Overall:

- Youth are engaged organizing and planning club/group events
- Parents are engaged in supporting roles
- Youth are becoming self-governing
- Youth are having fun while learning and achieving success in leadership
- Community and club/group are becoming supportive of each other

Club/Group Organization – Engaging Youth:

- Youth are engaged in establishing the rules and by-laws
- Youth are in leadership and/or officer roles
- Youth are involved in creating club program plans/calendars

Club/Group Organization – Engaging Parents:

- Parents are invited and engaged within the club/group for support responsibilities
- Family events and activities are encouraged and planned by the club/group
- Parents are communicated with and recognized

Club/Group Youth Leadership and Self-Governance:

- Club rules and by-laws are real, living documents, and reviewed annually by the youth (Not just a rubber stamp activity)
- Club program responsibilities involve ALL youth – the club is not led by the adults, rather the youth
- Club officers are participating in training, and recognizing their role, not just their position
- Youth are being encouraged and supported to become active in county, district and state 4-H programs

Club/Group: Fun, Learning Environments:

- Volunteers are using age appropriate and experiential learning techniques when teaching and supporting youth
- The club uses the balance of business, education and recreation with every meeting
- Social activities are part of the club program plan

Club Group: Community Engagement:

- Community representatives are invited to participate in club meetings for a particular purpose
- The club/group participates in service learning projects
- Youth, parents, families and volunteers are being recognized for their contributions

Club/Group Recognition:

- Youth, parents, families and volunteers are being recognized for their contributions