University of Wyoming 4-H
New Volunteer Leader Orientation

Create an Environment for Positive Youth Development

Experiential Learning Model

Experience
The activity; Perform, “Do it”

Do

Apply
what was learned to a similar or different situation; practice “Now what”

Reflect

Generalize
connect the experience to real-world examples “So what”

Share
results; reactions, observations publicly “What Happened”

Process
discussing, looking at the experience; analyze, reflect “What’s important”
Essential Elements of Positive Youth Development

1. A positive relationship with caring adults.
3. A safe environment.
5. Opportunity for mastery.
6. Opportunity to see oneself as an active participant in the future.
8. Opportunity to value and practice service for others.

• Belonging
• Independence
• Generosity
• Mastery

Targeting Life Skills Model
Character Counts

- Trustworthiness
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Fairness & Justice
- Caring
- Citizenship

Activities and resources are available in newsletters and at your local Extension Office.

Ages and Stages

- Educational programs need to be developmentally appropriate
  - Cloverbuds (4-H age of 5-7)
  - Traditional 4-H Program
    - Junior Members
      - (4-H age of 8-10)
    - Intermediate Members
      - (4-H age of 11-13)
    - Senior Members
      - (4-H age of 14-18)
Thanks for completing this orientation. Please remember...

- complete the **evaluation** on the State 4-H Web Site, and
- **set up an appointment** to meet with your County 4-H Educator