

# CODE OF CONDUCT FOR 4-H MEMBERS

Name \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

The 4-H Center & Montana State University Extension wants your participation in 4-H programs, events and activities to be filled with exciting experiences, new friendships and fun. To ensure a positive experience for all participants, it is expected that all 4-H'ers be considerate of others, participate fully in the programming and observe the following expectations. If a situation or question arises which is not clearly covered by this list, ask an Extension Faculty/Staff member, volunteer leader, or chaperone before acting.

## ***While attending 4-H activities and events, I will:***

- Obey all rules established by the 4-H program, the local 4-H program and all local, state and federal laws.
- Conduct myself at all times in order to be a credit to the club, school and community.
- Dress neatly and appropriately for the occasion and in accordance with the activity dress code.
- Show respect for the rights and property of others; be courteous at all times.
- Be honest and not take unfair advantage of others.
- Refrain from disruptive behavior and swearing.
- Demonstrate sportsmanship, modesty in winning and generosity in defeat.
- Attend meetings and sessions promptly and respect the opinion of others in discussion.
- Be respectful of the authority of adult volunteers, youth leaders, 4-H staff and others in leadership roles.
- Not use, accept or carry alcohol, drugs or tobacco, or associate with others using the substances.

## ***While attending overnight events, I will also:***

- Not leave the activity or event unless permission is secured from my agent or chaperone.
- Not use my personal vehicle when it is not allowed by an event or trip.
- Care for the lodging property and respect the rights of other guests of the facility and observe all rules instituted by the property.
- Be in my sleeping area and stay there after curfew time and be out each day by the set time.
- Not enter the sleeping areas of members of the opposite gender and not invite non 4-H participants to the sleeping areas.
- Respect supervision at all times, being responsible to all adults connected with the trip or event.
- Be prepared to report to my local 4-H program knowledge gained by attending these activities.

I have read the 4-H Code of Conduct and agree to live up to these expectations while participating in 4-H programs and events. I am aware that my actions and decisions affect others. I understand that my failure to do so could result in consequences, including dismissal from the event or program. I am willing to accept appropriate consequences of my actions.

Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the 4-H Code of Conduct and I support my child living up to the expectations it outlines. I will support the individual(s) in charge in maintaining appropriate behavior.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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