4-H Members

4-H Alberta members must be between the ages of 9-20 as of January 1st of the current club year. The 4-H Club Year runs October 1st – September 30th. The age categories for 4-H in Alberta are: Junior (9-11), Intermediate (12-14) and Senior (15-20). 4-H members need to pay their registration fee and meet five requirements to complete a 4-H club year.

Being a 4-H Member & Completing a 4-H Year Means…

1. Attending 70% of Club Activities
2. Participating in a Communications Activity
3. Participating in the club’s Community Service Activity
4. Completing a Project Record Book for each project completed
5. Participating in the club’s project Achievement Activity

4-H Leaders

Each year, the club membership approves the General, Assistant, Project and other leaders who will work together to guide the members, families and club. Leaders must be 18 years of age and complete Online Leader Screening and Level 1 Leader Training.

4-H Clubs, Districts & Regions

Clubs

Are unique entities which govern themselves within 4-H Alberta Policies & Procedures. Clubs must have at least eight members and one leader registered with 4-H Alberta to qualify as a registered 4-H Club. Registered clubs receive supplies and are covered by 4-H Alberta’s insurance. Clubs must:

- Have an executive comprised of members
- Conduct a minimum of six business meetings
- Offer projects as well as Club Achievement, Communications and Community Service opportunities.

Districts

A geographic area to which clubs belong. Ask your leader if you are unsure to what district your club belongs.

District Councils

The council may plan events and activities for the benefit and enjoyment of 4-H members and leaders. Each club sends representation to the District Council. The District Council collects fees from clubs to assist with council operations and to cover the cost of insurance coverage.

Additionally, the council selects Key Leaders who assist and provide support for clubs and leaders. Key Members are also selected by District Council and act as a resource to clubs and members in the district.
Regions
There are seven geographic regions within 4-H Alberta to which all clubs and districts belong: South, Calgary, East Central, West Central, Northwest, Northeast and Peace.

Regional Councils
The council plans events and activities for the benefit and enjoyment of 4-H members and leaders. Each of the seven Regional Councils is an individual entity, with some being registered societies. Each District Council elects or appoints representation to their Regional Council, who then select/elect representatives to various provincial advisory committees and the 4-H Council of Alberta.

4-H Council of Alberta
The 4-H Council of Alberta is a registered society made up of nine elected directors from throughout the province who strive to represent and support the needs expressed by members and leaders. The Council’s roles within 4-H Alberta are policy development and implementation, provincial advisory committee engagement, Online Leader Screening management, Golden Clover Award administration, piloting of special initiatives and management of insurance purchasing, claims and inquires.

4-H Section
The 4-H Section is a client-driven branch of the Ministry of Alberta Agriculture and Forestry. The 4-H Section staff deliver the 4-H Alberta program to meet the evolving needs of members, leaders, clubs, councils and committees. The 4-H Section researches, develops and delivers: print, online and multimedia resources, regional and provincial programming, internal and external marketing and communications directives, plus travel, exchange and award opportunities. The 4-H Section manages 4-H Alberta’s Online Registration System and website in addition to delivering regional support.

4-H Foundation of Alberta
The 4-H Foundation of Alberta is a not for profit organization and registered charity that operates under the direction of a volunteer Board of Directors, with a CEO and staff to seek, receive and administer funds for the ongoing viability of 4-H Alberta. The 4-H Foundation of Alberta is also responsible for the maintenance, operation and enhancement of the Alberta 4-H Centre and the administration and strengthening of 4-H Alberta scholarships and bursaries.

Sponsors
The Sponsorship and Corporate Partnerships managed by the 4-H Foundation of Alberta have a tremendous impact on 4-H Alberta and its ability to serve the youth and communities of our province. The partnerships made with sponsors allow 4-H Alberta to continue to deliver 4-H with a high degree of excellence and to amplify 4-H Alberta’s positive benefits and overall effectiveness from the club to the provincial level of 4-H.

To learn more about 4-H Alberta’s Sponsorship and Corporate Partnerships and how you and your club can recognize them, visit www.4h.ab.ca About 4-H tab under Sponsors or email partners@4hab.com