

4-H PROJECT RECORDS

“A 4-H member who fails to plan – plans to fail.”

Why keep 4-H records? No doubt there are many reasons, but here are a few to consider.

- 4-H records stimulate participation and frequently increase interest of members in the program.
- Learn a skill and responsibility of keeping good records. Records encourage good work. Good work is the basis of record keeping.
- 4-H members like to show the progress and growth they have made while in 4-H. Records are set up to help members do just that. No better way has been devised to judge accomplishments than through 4-H record keeping, particularly when persons cannot be interviewed themselves.
- 4-H records also may be the first of many records you will keep during your life time. Records for income tax, medical expenses, insurance data, etc. – you name it and there is a record for it.
- Begin collecting newspaper clippings and take pictures (action shots are best) about you in 4-H and related activities. Be sure to put the date on them and label what you are doing so that when you review your records, you will understand the full scope of your achievements and have the correct data.
- Only those 4-H'ers who submit their Journals to the county Extension office **ON TIME** for county competition will be eligible for the 4-H member of the year and any discounts on camps and other activities.
- For a copy of the Journal Guidelines and form, call the Extension office at 889-2661, or stop by at 107 North Plum Street in Perryville.