

DESCHUTES COUNTY 4-H COUNTY MEDAL APPLICATION/NOMINATION FORM

Eligibility: To apply or be nominated, a member must be in the 7th through 12th grades (last year) and have been enrolled in the 4-H project area a minimum of two years.

NOTE: Members may apply for/receive only one medal per year. Members may receive same medal once as an intermediate and once as a senior.

Due Date: **First Friday in October, no later than 3:00 p.m.** in Redmond Office with Record Book and/or Scrapbook.

The following categories are available for county medal recognition. Please select one area that you are most deserving of recognition.

Achievement	Consumer Educ.	Health	Pets
Agriculture	Consumer Tech.	Hobbies & Collections	Photography
Beef	Dairy	Home Environment	Poultry
Bread	Demonstration	Horse	Public Speaking
Cat	Dog	Judging	Rabbit
Cavy	Entomology	Leadership	Sheep
Citizenship	Fashion Revue	Market Beef	Shooting Sports
Clothing/Textile	Food & Nutrition	Market Goat	Swine
Communications	Food Preservation	Market Sheep	Vet Science
Community Service	Garden/Hort	Market Swine	Visual Arts
Conservation	Goats	Outdoor Edu. & Rec.	Wildlife/Fisheries
		Personal Development	Wood Science

Name _____ Grade in School Last Year _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Club Name _____ Leader _____

Email _____ Applying for a county medal in _____

Previous County Medals Awarded:

Project _____ Year _____ Project _____ Year _____

Project _____ Year _____ Project _____ Year _____

County Medal applications will be evaluated on the member's achievements and experiences related to the specific area of application. Also considered is the leadership within the specific area of application and at the county and/or state level. Citizenship and personal development growth is also considered. The application should reflect how the member has helped his/her peers, how the member is growing and maturing, and what activities the member is involved in specific to the area of application as well as additional experiences that make their 4-H experience diverse.

Members may complete application with the use of a computer, but please keep order and format the same.

1. Experiences in specific area of application

Summarize what you have accomplished in your area of application during the past year (raised my first ewe, built first fishing pole, provided leadership, etc.)

Aside from recognition, what have you gained personally from your experiences?

If you could pick a single event or experience related to your 4-H year that made this a special year or demonstrated your achievements and/or your hard work, what would it be and why?

List specific skills and or techniques you have learned over the past year.

2. Leadership

Summarize your 4-H leadership responsibilities over the past year. (Offices held, assigned responsibilities, helped other club members, etc.)

Explain how you have grown from the experiences listed above. (e.g., being president of my club helped me feel comfortable talking to a group, etc.)

What have you done to increase your ability to be a great leader? (e.g., attended leadership retreat, took leadership class, etc.)

3. Citizenship & Personal Development

Describe at least three personal areas of growth over the past year. Summarize the experience, the growth, the direct relationship to 4-H, and why they are important.

What activities have you done to help others? Also, include activities your club has done. (Such as visiting a nursing home, money raising projects, community pride projects, etc.). Include activities outside 4-H too.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Recommendations

Please include a completed "leader recommendation" from one of your 4-H leaders and a "member recommendation" from a member in the program or who has recently graduated. Neither of these may be a family member. Contact the office if your parent is your leader and you need suggestions of who to get a letter of recommendation from.

Leader's Confidential Statement

Applicant's Name _____ Area of Application _____

Project or Activity: Comment on this member's growth in the project or activity in which member is applying for a medal.

Community Service and Citizenship: Comment on the attitude and activities this member has exhibited and participated in to help others.

Leadership: Comment on how this member has assumed increasing role of responsibility in your club and your evaluation of the member's leadership qualities.

Leader's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Member's Confidential Statement

Applicant's Name _____ Area of application _____

Project or Activity: Comment on this member's participation in the project or activity in which member is applying for a medal.

Community Service and Citizenship: Comment on the attitude and activities this member has exhibited and participated in to help others in and outside of their club.

Leadership: Comment on how this member demonstrates leadership. Their assistance to other members, teaching, ability to lead others, event planning, etc.

Member's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Guidelines for Evaluating County Medal Applications

Experiences in specific area of application. New knowledge, attitudes and skills learned. Scope and characteristics of project and participation in areas related to area of application.	60%
Leadership in area of application. Knowledge shared with others as a junior leader, teaching outside of the club, participation in events to improve or expand leadership skills. Offices or appointments held within the club, county, and state.	20%
Citizenship and Personal Development. Development of positive attitudes toward service to others. Participation in community service activities on behalf of the club, as an individual and with other organizations. Growth. Maturity.	20%
TOTAL	100%