

What is 4-H?

Friends, fun, and learning about nature, cooking, growing plants, photography, animal care, or working together to help others.

Who can belong to 4-H? - Anyone Kindergarten through 12th grade. You'll find 4-H throughout your county, state, country, and the world. Kindergarteners through third graders can join 4-H Cloverbud clubs. 4-H Cloverbuds is an informal educational program designed specifically for children in grades K-3. The program appeals to young children's natural curiosity, enthusiasm for learning, and high energy levels by providing an opportunity for active learning in a non-competitive environment. In Morrow County, we have about 195 members in grades 4 through 12.

What you can do in 4-H? - Members can be enrolled in animal science, natural science, home economics, and expressive arts project areas. If you can think of it - we will try to make it happen!

What do you do in 4-H? - It depends on you. 4-H members may be a friend in the same grade or school, or include people from other communities. Clubs decide how often to meet and elect officers to conduct club business. Your club may decide to be active in the community, raise money for charity, become involved in recycling projects or build nature trails. You can go on field trips or to 4-H camp. The choices grow as you get older.

Does 4-H cost a lot? - There are no national dues or required uniform. The state requires a \$15 per member enrollment fee, \$30 family maximum, which goes to help county 4-H programs such as lowering costs of state publications. There is an additional \$5.00 per member county enrollment fee that goes towards project materials and insurance in most clubs. Your 4-H club may decide to collect dues to fund special activities.

How do you join 4-H? - It's easy. Choose the project you like. Ask some friends or brothers and sisters to join you. Ask parents, grandparents, adult friends, or neighborhood adults to be your leader. Several adults can share this responsibility. You need only two members, but you can have as many as you like. Determine the projects your club would like to enroll in and visit the Extension office or call an agent for help. There are also numerous active clubs that welcome new members.

4-H is Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow and "Learning by Doing." - Learning how to set goals and work toward those goals; responsibility -- for an animal, finishing projects, choosing how much to learn and

deciding how involved in 4-H to be; leadership, decision-making, cooperation and how to present yourself and ideas to others. For information about the 4-H Youth Development program, contact the OSU Extension office in Heppner, 676-9642.



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Buyer Appreciation Prime Rib Lunch

Once again, the Buyer's Appreciation Lunch will be held prior to the youth livestock auction! The prime rib lunch is provided to each livestock auction buyer from 2010 plus one guest. If you are a new buyer for 2011 - we welcome you to join us for lunch- too! Morrow County 4-H, Livestock Growers, and Fairboard would like to show their appreciation to the tre-

mendous support that these buyers have- for our youth! Last year's buyers should receive passes to the fair and the dinner. If you are a new buyer, call the 4-H office for fair passes and lunch tickets. The prime rib lunch will be held from 12:00 p.m to 2:00 pm on Saturday, August 20 prior to the auction. It is sure to be a great meal so come hungry!

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