

# 4-H is ....

**4-H** is a group of youth between the ages of 5 and 19 years old who are interested in having fun while learning. **4-H** is for the whole family: Moms, Dads, Brothers, Sisters, anyone else in your family. **4-H** is not just for “farm” families, it’s for every family... whether you live in the city, a small town, anywhere. Every youth can be a **4-Her**!

**4-H** is an international informal education program for youth taught by volunteer adults and teens. It is part of Cornell Cooperative Extension with an educational base at Cornell University. **4-H** receives public and private support at the local, state and federal level. Many organizations also use **4-H** material to enhance their programs.



**Animal Science** - These are the traditional animal projects: dairy, sheep, goat, swine, dog, horse, rabbit, chicken etc. These projects cover raising the animal, along with pet care and the economics (life skills) that go with

feeding/caring for animals.

**Home Economic** - These projects are clothing (textiles/sewing), cooking (food/nutrition), consumer education, child care, personal grooming, home environment, photography, career/workforce preparation, working with the elderly, community service, heritage/folk art, personal safety, leadership and arts and crafts.

**Horticulture** - These projects are gardening, dry flowers, pressed flowers, flower arranging, landscape, community beautification, plant ID, etc.

**Natural Resources** - These projects are pheasant rearing, wildlife ID, tree ID, Bird ID, fly tying, birds of prey, entomology, birdhouse plans, pond & stream safari etc.



**Do your own thing** - We also offer other projects for those of you who like to “Do your own thing!”. That way if it’s not listed on our project list, we can still find a place just for you.

Some youth will want to join **4-H** clubs, others will participate for only a few weeks in a special interest group. You may become involved in **4-H** through another agency in the community or even through school.

**4-Hers** participate in many activities such as County and State Fair, Clothing Revue, Trips, Clinics, Public Presentations, Educational Workshops, Produced in New York Contest, Tractor Safety, Small Animals, Teen Council and much more.

## Volunteer Leaders

An adult may want to look into volunteer work with **4-H**. They too can contact our office and find out how they can become a part of the **4-H** family!

**Organizational Leader** - responsible for coordinating the club programs, seeing that projects are taught, etc.

**Assistant Leader** - responsible for assisting the organizational leader throughout the year with projects and programs.

**Project Leader** - responsible for teaching a specific project.

**Activity Leader** - responsible for working with members or a group on an activity or event such as public presentation, community service, tours and other “fun and learning” experiences.



**Resource Person** - contributes to one or two meetings. This may be project related, and educational or merely for entertainment purposes.

# Pledge

I pledge my,

**Head** to clearer thinking, my

**Heart** to greater loyalty, my

**Hands** to larger service,  
and my

**Health** to better living,

for my club, my community, my  
country and my world.

## Website:

<http://ccealleganycattaraugus.org>



## How to Join the Fun ...

Complete the form below and send it in to the address listed. There is a charge for **4-H**, \$5/each or \$15/family. You can join a club or become an individual member, it's up to you

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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PH: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to know more about:  
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Return to:

Cornell University  
Cooperative Extension  
Allegany County  
**4-H Program**  
5435A County Rd 48  
Belmont, NY 14813  
585-268-7644 ext. 11 or 16  
email: [mds40@cornell.edu](mailto:mds40@cornell.edu) or  
[pjh34@cornell.edu](mailto:pjh34@cornell.edu)



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# It's more than you

# **EVER**

# *imagined!*