

Youth Leadership Specialty Awards

Youth Leader Awards: to receive an award you must complete your records and have a half-hour interview. Interviews will be scheduled early October at the Extension Office. (Other options may be possible, if you call very early).

Interviews will be at the Extension Office, 1525 Blue Spruce in Fort Collins.

The following are categories for awards:

1. **Novice Award:** first year only, showing leadership potential
2. **Local Club Award:** based on leadership activities done in local club this year.
3. **County Award:** based on leadership activities done on a county-wide basis. Include district, state and national leadership.
4. **Citizenship Award:** based on citizenship-type activities done in local club, county, school, church, and community this year.
5. **Overall Outstanding Junior Leader Award:** based on leadership-type activities done in 4-H on a club, county, state, and national level in addition to leadership, citizenship, and activities participated in at church, school, athletics, community, etc.
6. **Record Book Award:** Based on outstanding completed record book.

You are encouraged to design your own portfolio along with the completed e-record.

Include: leadership activities outside of 4-H including school, community, and any other leadership experiences you had. Completeness is important. Emphasis should be on your leadership in 4-H.

You will want to include more than the e-record if you are to be considered for awards.

PORTFOLIO: Check List

- _____ 1. **Cover Page:** Name, age, year in Junior Leadership, Club Name
- _____ 2. **Table of Contents**
- _____ 3. **Leadership Project Plan**
- _____ 4. **Areas of Leadership** - report leadership activities in five categories. Dividers help identify sections. Report only in areas in which you fully participated.
 - A. 4-H Leadership activities done on a local club level.
 - B. 4-H Leadership activities done on a county-wide basis including any ways you help the Extension agent.
 - C. 4-H Leadership activities done on a district, state or national level.
 - D. 4-H Leadership activities done in school.
 - E. 4-H Leadership activities done on a community-wide basis.
- _____ 5. **Pictures** - include 2-3 pages with picture captions
- _____ 6. **Two** adult evaluations of your work in **sealed envelopes**. (This can be a club leader, Junior Leader Advisor, Fair Superintendent, Extension agent etc.) Always have someone other than a relative serve as a reference. Leader evaluations are due **September 27**, so contact your leaders **now** for these evaluations. (If you are having trouble getting this in on time due to your references schedules, please let me know).
- _____ 7. **Story** - Please write a detailed story about your leadership project experiences, can be the same one used in the e-record.

If you have questions about the youth leadership completion or evaluation, please call me at 498-6000.

Please send to Larimer County Extension Office, 1525 Blue Spruce Drive, Ft. Collins, CO 80524 or e-mail all of the same information to mblaser@larimer.org.