



Latah County 4-H Awards Handbook

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GENERAL AWARD NOTES

All members must complete a project according to the *Idaho State Project Requirement Handbook* and receive a blue ribbon to be eligible for any awards. (Exception: Member year participation pins)

Some awards require an application for eligibility; members must complete the application completely and return it to the Extension Office prior to the application deadline.

For most awards, funding is provided by the Latah County Green and Gold Club and gifts or cash value for these awards are chosen by the Latah County 4-H Awards Committee. This committee is chaired by the Vice-Chair of the Latah County 4-H Leader's Council and made up 4-H leaders who volunteer to serve on the committee, and/or by appointment of the Leader's Council President.

**Record book scores from animal projects need to be back in the county office no later than the second week of October, or October 15 at the latest. The 4-H Awards Committee needs the record book scores to determine prizes and awards. Record book scores are a critical component of the formulas for determining overall scores.

LATAH COUNTY FAIR AWARDS

All members who exhibit projects (non-animal or animal) at the Latah County Fair in September may receive a ribbon. Cloverbud member projects receive a special cloverbud participation ribbon; entries are reviewed but not scored.

All other member projects will receive one (or more) based on a score following judging.

Green ribbon = participation

White Ribbon =

Red Ribbon =

Blue Ribbon =

Purple Ribbon = Best of Class

Silver Ribbon = 2nd place

Bronze Ribbon = 3rd place

Lavender Rosette = Reserve Grand Champion

Purple Rosette = Grand Champion

Ribbons are sponsored by the Latah County Fair. Eligible premiums are paid by the Latah County Fair following the event and are paid in cash at the county fair.

CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION FITTING & SHOWING AWARDS

Members must complete a project (including Record Book) according to the *Idaho State Project Requirement Handbook* and receive a blue ribbon to be eligible for these awards. Categories are the same as listed above for Animal Project Categories.

- Awards are determined by judges at the Latah County Fair who choose an overall Champion and Reserve Champion from Fitting & Showing.

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- Champion and Reserve Champion showman awards are provided by funding (or merchandise) from the county fair.
- The Round Robin Champions are a LATAH COUNTY FAIR award also.

YEAR END 4-H COUNTY AWARDS

CLOVERBUD RECOGNITION

- The Latah County 4-H Green and Gold Club purchase a small gift for each Cloverbud enrolled that year.
- The Latah County Extension Office prints a “Certificate of Participation” for each Cloverbud member.
- Cloverbud years do not count in total years of 4-H participation for award calculation.

MEMBER YEAR RECOGNITION

- The Latah County 4-H Leader’s Council purchase yearly achievement pins for each youth participating in years 1-10 of its programs. These pins are given to each member who completes an exhibit for at least (1) project that year. The pins are given based on the number of years listed on the member registration forms, as verified by organizational leader. These pins are placed in individually labeled envelopes and bundled together in the “Club Box” given to each organizational leader (or designee) at the annual awards night.
- First year members are given a “Certificate of Participation” signed by the Extension director, Idaho State 4-H Program Director, and County 4-H Director. These certificates are printed by the Extension Office and include a 1st year gold seal.

LEADER YEAR RECOGNITION

- Leaders are recognized for their service every five years of that service (i.e., 1st, 5th, etc). This recognition is by appropriate certificate and pin ordered from the Idaho State 4-H Office or from National 4-H Mall. Leader year pins are paid for by the Latah County Leaders Council.
- In addition, leaders who serve as an executive member of one of more of the Leader’s Councils are recognized by certificate printed by the Latah County Extension Office.

GREEN & GOLD CLUB MEMBER RECOGNITION

The Green & Gold Club is managed by the Latah County Leader’s Council in cooperation with the 4-H Program Educator and the Latah County Extension Office. Members of the Green & Gold Club contribute monetary or merchandise donations for the specific use of year-end awards for members as well as for special events, such as County Horse Show.

- Green & Gold funds are not used for Leader or volunteer awards or for the event; they are exclusively for member recognition.
- Green & Gold members should be recognized verbally and in writing at the County Awards event.
- Plaques are given to new Green & Gold members and year plates are given to members who already have plaques. (New plaques were distributed the fall/winter of 2012 to all current members.)

TOP OVERALL AND 2ND PLACE OVERALL PROJECT AWARD

Members must complete a project (including Record Book) according to the *Idaho State Project Requirement Handbook* and receive a blue ribbon to be eligible for these awards. Livestock judging is required for project completion for all market animal projects (can be Latah County Fair or another venue during the project year).

- Ribbons awarded at the fair are from the Latah County Fair and premiums are paid by the Latah County Fair.
- Year End County Awards are presented at the annual awards event and may have been donated or are from Green & Gold Club awards funds.

FOR GENERAL PROJECTS:

- General projects are grouped according to project category located on the Idaho State 4-H Website (<http://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/projects>)
- All General projects fall under a category. If uncertain, ask the 4-H program Educator for designation.
- Categories – (refer to current year project requirement handbook for current year category areas)
 - Animal & Vet Science
 - Civic Engagement & Leadership
 - Clothing, Textiles, & Design
 - Fashion Review (Event equivalent to Fitting & Showing Championship)
 - Consumer/Personal Finance
 - Creative Arts
 - Food & Cooking
 - Health & Wellness
 - Natural Science
 - Outdoor Recreation
 - Technology, Engineering, & Computer Science
- Awards are determined by judges at the Latah County Fair who choose an overall Champion and Reserve Champion for each category.
- Champion and Reserve Champion project awards are provided by funding (or merchandise) from Latah County Green & Gold Club donations. Awards are chosen by the Latah County 4-H Awards Committee.

FOR ANIMAL PROJECTS – OVERALL PROJECT AWARD:

- Animal categories are grouped according to the project requirement handbook published by the Idaho State 4-H Office – see the official state list for specifics.
- Categories (AS LISTED FROM STATE 4-H)
 - Beef – Market, Breeding, Stocker-Feeder
 - Birds & Poultry – Family Flock, Market Boilers/Fryers, Pullets/Laying Hens, Market Turkey
 - Cat
 - Cavy
 - Dairy Cattle

YEAR END 4-H COUNTY AWARDS

(Animal Project Categories continued)

- Dog
 - Goat – Breeding Meat, Dairy, Market, Pack, Pet/Pygmy
 - Horse
 - Llama/Alpaca
 - Rabbit – Breeding, Market, Pet
 - Sheep – Breeding, Market
 - Small Animals, Pocket Pets, & Other
 - Swine – Breeding, Market
- Awards are calculated by formula. Formula places a point value for each color of ribbon awarded to member for:
ALL ANIMAL projects *except* CAT, DOG or HORSE projects:
 - (Market/Breeding class) + (Fitting & Showing) + (Record Book score)CAT Projects
 - (Quality class) + (Fitting & Showing) + (Record Book score)DOG Projects
 - (Obedience class) + (Fitting & Showing) + (Record Book score)HORSE Projects
 - (Showmanship) + (Equitation) + (Record Book score)

Point Values:

- Grand Champion ribbon = 50 points
- Reserve Grand Champion ribbon = 40 points
- Bronze Champion ribbon = 30 points
- Purple (Best of class) ribbon = 20 points
- Blue ribbon = 10 points
- Top Record Book score = 15 points
- Red, White or Green ribbons = 0 points

Example: Sue has earned a purple ribbon in her Market class (20 points), a blue ribbon in her Fitting & Showing (10 points) and a score of 99 on her record book which was the Top Record Book score (15 points) for a total of 45 points.

- In the event of a tie, actual record book scores will be used to break a tie.
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YEAR END 4-H COUNTY AWARDS

AGE DIVISION AWARDS

Members must complete a project (including Record Book) according to the *Idaho State Project Requirement Handbook* and receive a blue ribbon to be eligible for these awards. Livestock judging is required for project completion for all market animal projects (can be Latah County Fair or another venue during the project year).

- 1st place Junior
- 2nd place Junior
- 1st place Intermediate
- 2nd place Intermediate
- 1st place Senior
- 2nd place Senior

CHANGES –
1st and 2nd place to receive a certificate only

FOR GENERAL PROJECTS:

- General projects are grouped according project category located on the Idaho State 4-H Website (<http://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/projects>)
- Categories – (refer to current year Project Requirement Handbook for current year category areas)
 - Animal & Vet Science
 - Civic Engagement & Leadership
 - Clothing, Textiles, & Design
 - Consumer/Personal Finance
 - Creative Arts
 - Food & Cooking
 - Health & Wellness
 - Natural Science
 - Outdoor Recreation
 - Technology, Engineering, & Computer Science
- Awards are determined by judges at the Latah County Fair and are given to any deserving blue ribbon or higher winner at the fair in each *category* area. It is the judge's discretion to give this award or not.
- Top age awards are provided by funding (or merchandise) from Latah County Green & Gold Club donations. Awards/cash value are chosen by the Latah County 4-H Awards Committee.

FOR ANIMAL PROJECTS – OVERALL PROJECT AWARD:

- Categories (AS LISTED FROM STATE 4-H)
 - Beef – Market, Breeding, Stocker-Feeder
 - Birds & Poultry – Family Flock, Market Boilers/Fryers, Pullets/Laying Hens, Market Turkey
 - Cat
 - Cavy
 - Dairy Cattle

YEAR END 4-H COUNTY AWARDS

(Animal Project Categories continued)

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 - Horse
 - Llama/Alpaca
 - Rabbit – Breeding, Market, Pet
 - Sheep – Breeding, Market
 - Small Animals, Pocket Pets, & Other
 - Swine – Breeding, Market
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 - In the event of a tie, actual record book scores will be used to break a tie.
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YEAR END 4-H COUNTY AWARDS

COUNTY MEDAL AWARDS

Members must complete a project (including Record Book) according to the *Idaho State Project Requirement Handbook* and receive a blue ribbon to be eligible for these awards. Livestock judging is a required for project completion for all market animal projects (can be Latah County Fair or another venue during the project year).

The total number of completed projects (regardless of ribbon color or score) in each category are divided by TEN to calculate how many county medals are awarded in a *category*.

- Projects are grouped according to project *categories* located on the Idaho State 4-H Website. (<http://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/projects>)
- Number of medals possible to award:
 - 1-10 project entries = 1 medal
 - 11-20 project entries = 2 medals
 - 21-30 project entries = 3 medals
 - 31-40 project entries = 4 medals
 - Etc.
- County Medal awards are provided by funding from Latah County Green & Gold Club donations.

FOR GENERAL PROJECTS:

- Awards are calculated from total raw score (project and record book combined) as given by the judge in that project area during the Latah County Fair. Judges are asked to rank the projects to facilitate the breaking of ties.

FOR ANIMAL PROJECTS:

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 - (Showmanship) + (Equitation) + (Record Book score)

Point Values:

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 - Reserve Grand Champion ribbon = 40 points
 - Bronze Champion ribbon = 30 points
 - Purple (Best of class) ribbon = 20 points
 - Blue ribbon = 10 points
 - Top Record Book score = 15 points
 - Red, White or Green ribbons = 0 points
- In the event of a tie, actual record book scores will be used to break a tie.

FOR OTHER COUNTY MEDAL AWARDS:

- Demonstration & Public Speaking Medals awarded from County Activity Day Contests*
- Livestock Judging Medals awarded from Latah County Fair Livestock Judging Contest for Top 10 places
- Horse Judging Medals awarded from Latah County Horse Judging Contest for Top 10 places
- Other special event medals awarded from Latah County Contests as sanctioned by the Latah County 4-H program.
- Medals are awarded to individuals with highest raw scores from event

*There are projects for public speaking, leadership and other speaking events. These projects are enrolled in and completed same as any other 4-H project. (These projects are listed in the General projects categories.) To complete the project and qualify for a county medal, all requirements must be met. These projects are not dependent upon a County Activity Day event.

YEAR END 4-H COUNTY AWARDS

TOP RECORD BOOK AWARDS

Members must complete a project (including Record Book) according to the *Idaho State Project Requirement Handbook* and receive a blue ribbon to be eligible for these awards.

- Top Junior
- Top Intermediate
- Top Senior

FOR GENERAL PROJECTS:

- Awards are given at the discretion of the judge in each *category* area during the Latah County Fair. Judges are asked to rank record books if total scores are equal to facilitate the breaking of ties.

FOR ANIMAL PROJECTS:

- Awards are given at the discretion of the judge in each animal *category* area when record books are judged (following the fair). Judges are asked to rank record books if total scores are equal to facilitate the breaking of ties.

YEAR END 4-H COUNTY AWARDS

OTHER LATAH COUNTY SPECIAL AWARDS

Ask the Latah County 4-H Educator for specific details and applications for each of the following:

POMONA AWARD

The Pomona Award is an incentive award to encourage members to continue their participation in 4-H programs.

- Leader (organizational or project) recommendations/applications are required.
- Pomona award winners are selected by a committee of Grange members.
- The Pomona Grange sponsors and provides the Pomona Awards.

A representative of the Grange is invited to the County Awards event to present these awards.

GERALD AND GRACE INGLE MEMORIAL AWARD

This award is given to older 4-H members who have demonstrated outstanding achievement, citizenship and leadership. Check with Latah County 4-H Educator for eligibility.

- An application is required; leader recommendations are required.
- Memorial awards (cash awards/scholarships) are selected by a committee of Grange members.
- This cash award is provided by the Gerald and Grace Ingle Memorial Fund.

A representative of the Ingle Family is invited to the County Awards event to present the awards.

OUTSTANDING BLACK ANGUS BREEDING PROJECT

Any member who completes a Black Angus Breeding Project (heifer, bull or cow/calf) is eligible for this award.

- An application is required.

OUTSTANDING BLACK ANGUS MARKET PROJECT

Any member who completes a Black Angus or Blank Angus cross steer in 4-H Quality classes is eligible for this award.

- An application is required.

4-H/FFA SUPERIOR BEEF PROJECT – Idaho Cattle Association Beef Buckle Award

Any member who completes a beef project is eligible for this award.

- An application is required.

DISTRICT, STATE, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM RECOGNITION

Any member who qualifies for and competes as an individual or as a team member at a District, State, Regional or National event will be recognized verbally at the year-end awards event. The Latah County office is not responsible for certificates or awards from District, State, Regional or National events.

YEAR END 4-H COUNTY AWARDS

COMPREHENSIVE COUNTY AWARDS

These awards are given to members who have demonstrated outstanding work, growth and leadership in a subject area during their 4-H career.

- There are three categories of Comprehensive Award:
 - General Achievement (breadth and/or depth of knowledge in 4-H activities and projects),
 - Agricultural (breadth and/or depth of knowledge in agricultural projects)
 - Family and Consumer Sciences (breadth and/or depth of knowledge in family and consumer science projects).
- Members submit application(s) found on the Latah County 4-H website, Member Involvement Reports and references by October 1 of the current year.
- Applications are reviewed and scored by 4-H Awards Committee, or individuals appointed by the Awards Committee Chair.
- A plaque and cash award \$200 is sponsored by the Latah County 4-H Leader's Council.

National and State Awards are subject to change –
Contact the State 4-H Office for more information.

IDAHO 4-H STATE AWARDS

IDAHO 4-H HALL OF FAME

The Idaho 4-H hall of Fame has been established to recognize individuals and organizations that have had a significant impact upon the 4-H Program and/or its members and leaders. This is a nomination process; nominations are submitted to the Idaho State 4-H Office.

IDAHO HORSEMANSHIP AWARD

This award is a test of knowledge and skills in horsemanship. The purpose of the award is to honor that most talented youth riders in Idaho. This award is administered through the Northern Extension District Office. Applications are available at the Latah County Extension Office.

- This award is sponsored by the Andrew Little Jr. family.

4-H NATIONAL AWARDS

4-H YOUTH IN ACTION AWARD

This award is designed to recognize a 4-H member who is a current realization of 4-H's vision for youth who are driving positive change in their communities. Nominees should have led a project, service or event that addressed a problem within their community and made a positive impact in resolving the issue.

- This awardee will be honored at the annual 4-H Legacy Award Gala.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

This award is the highest honor that a 4-H volunteer in Idaho can receive. This award recognizes outstanding volunteer service to the county and district. County award recipients are considered for district recognition and district winners for the statewide award.

SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE AWARD

This award honors the invaluable work of 4-H volunteers. The awards name Outstanding Lifetime Volunteers and Volunteers of the Year for each region and at the national level.

