



Application for 4-H Club Charter



County: _____ Name of 4-H club: _____

(Attach a list of club officers)

4-H club volunteer leader: _____

Address: _____

Number of club members: _____

Date club was formed (if known): _____

Dates of meetings for next 12 months: _____

The use of the 4-H name and emblem is protected by federal law. By applying for a charter, our club agrees to:

1. Apply the four essential elements of youth development in the operation of this 4-H club. The four essential elements are Mastery, Independence, Generosity, and Belonging.
2. Use the graphic standards for the legal use of the 4-H name and emblem.
3. Adhere to the accountability standards as found in the 4-H Club Treasurer's Handbook (MSU Extension Form 1019). This includes filing a budget at the beginning of each 4-H club year, providing a financial statement at the end of each 4-H club year, and providing the 4-H county agent information about fundraising events for approval.
4. Affirmative Action Agreement: Our 4-H club declares that it does not discriminate in its membership or program practices on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, or disability. The nondiscriminatory nature of the club's membership and activities will be made known to the local community by all reasonable efforts, including:
 - Writing letters to potential members in underserved areas;
 - Using print and electronic media to recruit 4-H members; and
 - Direct personal contact with minority leaders.

Records of our efforts will be kept in the county Extension office in which our club has been chartered.

Print name _____ and sign below:

President of 4-H Club

Date

4-H Club Volunteer Leader

Date

Extension Agent

Date

Approved:

Associate Director

Date

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4-H is the youth development organization of the land-grant system.

In accordance with federal regulation, each 4-H club will be chartered beginning May 1, 2005. The 4-H club charter identifies the group as eligible to use the name and emblem of 4-H, and to participate in official 4-H activities and educational programs.

To receive a charter, this application is to be completed, then signed by the president of the 4-H club, the 4-H club volunteer leader, and the Extension 4-H youth agent. If there is not a 4-H staff member in the county, the signature of the Extension county coordinator is needed. The county Extension staff will then forward the application to the Extension Associate Director, 4-H Youth Development at Box 9601, Mississippi State, MS 39762, for approval. The associate director will issue the charter.

Presentation of the 4-H club charter may be made during some formal occasion, during a meeting of the county 4-H club council, or at the next meeting of the 4-H club.

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