### 4-H Achievement Records

The Secret Weapon to Award and Scholarship Success

## Why do a good 4-H record

- County 4-H Awards
- State 4-H Awards
- Workshops and Trips
- College applications
- Scholarships
- Resumes during high school

### Which is better?

#### **Foods Project**

 Exhibited a plate of cookies, blue ribbon.

- Exhibited a plate of cookies. Received a champion at the county fair.
- Researched cookie recipes by checking 3 cookie cookbooks out of the library
- Experimented with 6 different cookie recipes.
- Completed 4 activities in the project manual.
- Demonstrated "Chocolate chip cookie making" to my local club to 27 members.
- Planned menus for my family 18 times.
- Volunteered to help 4-H leaders cater a fundraiser dinner.
- Attended a county workshop on food safety.
- Helped my grandmother make Christmas cookies, making 14 dozen cookies of 3 different varieties.

### What's in a Label?

- o L − your local club
- C a county club or county activities
- S a state activity
- N national activities
- Hint: list and identify 4-H activities first

## Hints to make your record easier to follow

- If record is detailed, start each year on a new sheet.
- List year and grade on each sheet.
- Alphabetize your projects each year.
- Put newest years on top.
- Securely fasten your record.
- Keep a backup copy for your own records. Backup your backup.

### Which is better?

Year	Meetings	Attended	Committee Work	Offices Held	Activities Participated In	Workshops Attended	Judging Events
	10/10	Tech	Chair, Share the Fun Committee	President	Jr. Leader retreat	C – Science & Technology	L – Wildlife
2010	10/10	Energetics	Chair, Share the Fun Committee	President	Tech Club Christmas party	C - Robotics & C++ at Ivy Tech	
	3/4	4-H Council	Public Relations Committee	Secretary	Energetics Christmas party	C – Computers in Brain Surgery	

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2010	5	Tech	Clean up	President	Hayride	Computer	Bugs
	10	Energetics		President	Christmas party	Crafts	

# Which is better – public speaking

Year	Public Speaking/ Demonstrations	
	L – 3-D Graphic Software Techniques to 25 Energetics members	
2010	C – Digital graphics custom shape techniques to 20 Tech Club members	
	C - Competed in County and State Public Speaking Contests	
	Participated on school speech team and competed in 4 speech contests.	

Public Speaking/ Demonstrations
Chicken
Crafts

## Which is better – Community Service

#### Community Service

L – sang Christmas carols at nursing home

C – donated household items to Habitat

C – fasted in 30 hour famine with Jr. Leaders

C – folded clothes at PTA clothing bank

C – sorted food at Tri-State Food Bank

C – sold concessions at Extension Craft Show Community Service

Christmas caroling

Helped Habitat

30-hour famine

Made my bed

Christmas trees

Sold popcorn

#### 4-H Promotion – Which is best?

4-H Promotion

Carried 4-H cooler to Praise 20x

Wore my club tshirt to school
Met with
Congressman
Larry Bucshon at
Citizen
Washington Focus
Wrote thank you
note to buyer at 4H Livestock

auction

4-H Promotion

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'Wore club t-shirt to school

Invited my grandma to the fair.

Took my baby brother to the fair

Said 4-H was

awesome

## Trips Attended – Which is better?

Trips
Attended
C – Dairy Cattle
workshop
N – Citizen Washington
Focus
S – State Jr. Leader
Conference
Hoosier Recreation
Workshop

Trips
Attended
Roundup
Paoli Peaks

### Awards – Which is better?

Awards Received

6th year pin

C-Citizenship & Civic Education C – Crafts

C-Creative Writing

L – top pizza sales

Olive Tree Arts Show – honorable mention

Awards Received

Completion pin

Frog jumping champion

Crafts

Cookie sales champ

## Field Trips – Which is best?

Field Trips, Tours Mass Media

C – Robotics, Ivy Tech

C – Laser Tag, Walthers

L – Holiday World completion Trip

L - Howell wetlands

National Farm Show, Louisville

Indy State Fair

Field Trips, Tours Mass Media

Holiday World

Walther's Laser Tag

Wesselman Woods

Paoli Peaks

Red Cross

Big Splash Adventure Park Field Trips, Tours Mass Media

Disney World

Hot Topic

Donut Bank

Grandma's house

Central Library

Oaklyn Library

## Scholarship Resume

- 4-H Achievement record helps
- Accomplishment Resume contests
  - Can win up to 2 years
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> year, limited on areas to enter
  - Follow the format exactly

## Tips to Scholarship Success

- What did you do?
- What obstacles did you overcome?
- What did you learn?
- How did you impact others?