



4-H Fall Awards

Thurston County

PURPOSE

The 4-H County Level awards program is established to recognize 4-H members at the end of the 4-H year for outstanding achievement, growth, leadership, and/or project skills. Descriptions of the Thurston County 4-H Awards and the requirements for each are listed in this handout. The County Awards program, otherwise known as the annual **Achievement Afternoon**, is sponsored by the Thurston County 4-H Council.

In addition to the awards listed on the back, the 4-H Council often distributes other awards to 4-H members that do not require an application process.

Members are not the only individuals recognized at the County Awards Program. Leaders are recognized for years of service, new clubs are initiated, Outgoing Council Officers are honored, and the 4-H Leader of the Year is announced.

WHY IS RECOGNITION IMPORTANT?

Recognition and awards strongly influence young people. Recognition of 4-H members through County Awards helps to make 4-H a satisfying experience and helps our children develop. 4-H members enjoy being given credit for project work done well. Recognizing their project accomplishments also helps to reinforce their sense of belonging to the 4-H club.

DEADLINE

October 6, 2006 - is the deadline to apply for all County Awards and to turn in completed Record Books for "End of the 4-H Year" judging.

REQUIREMENTS

Awards nomination and application forms must be filled out completely and signed where appropriate. Please read the attached descriptions and requirements carefully. All required paperwork and documentation must be submitted with appropriate applications by the deadline date in order to be eligible for an award. Feel free to call the 4-H Office if you have any questions at (360) 786-5445 ext. 7913. Awards nomination and application forms can be picked up at the 4-H Office or printed off the 4-H website at:

<http://thurston.wsu.edu/4-H/awards.html>