

NEBRASKA 4-H SENIOR ACHIEVEMENT APPLICATION

This application is for all 4-H participants ages 15-18. It is used for the selection of county and state awards including the selection of delegates to the National 4-H Congress and National 4-H Conference and the selection of recipients of Nebraska 4-H Foundation scholarships. For more information about Nebraska 4-H Achievement Applications or for additional rules and guidelines, please visit: <https://4h.unl.edu/achievement-application>.

DELEGATE APPLICANTS

To serve as a delegate for either National trip, youth must be 15-19 years of age during the calendar year in which the trip occurs. If you are interested in being considered as a delegate for these national experiences, you must make that designation on your application as well as complete the additional section titled "Representing Nebraska 4-H." For more information about these National opportunities, please visit:

- National 4-H Congress: <https://4h.unl.edu/congress>
 - Takes place in Atlanta, Georgia
- National 4-H Conference: <https://4h.unl.edu/conference>
 - Takes place in Washington D. C.

Generally, delegate applicants should:

- Be age 15-19 during the calendar year in which the trip occurs to be considered.
- Not have been a delegate to the program in which they are applying
- Be able to miss one full week of school and/or work to attend the program
- Be a participant in the Nebraska 4-H program in any delivery mode
- Be dependable and punctual

Notes for delegate applicants only:

- A fifth page is allowed for delegate applicants.
- As you complete the application, remember that while participation in 4-H programs, leadership and community are important, the information you can share when you return from the leadership experiences is equally important.
- Chosen delegates may be required to travel to an airport that is not the closest to them due to chaperone location and cost restrictions.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

Youth interested in applying for state-level scholarships must make that designation on their application, as well as complete the additional section titled "Nebraska 4-H Foundation Scholarships." Additional materials are required for youth applying for scholarships. These materials must be submitted digitally along with the completed Achievement Application. For more information about Nebraska 4-H Foundation scholarships, please visit: <http://ne4hfoundation.org/recognition>.

Note for scholarship applicants only:

- Only the application review committee will have access to transcripts and test scores.

COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

- Applications must be completed and submitted electronically.
- Limit responses in the “My Experiences” section to a maximum of four (4) pages, single-spaced, 12-point font. A fifth page is allowed for delegate applicants.
- In the selection process, significant accomplishments in your **4-H experience, leadership, community involvement, and career spark** are given more consideration than the number of 4-H projects completed.
- Creativity is encouraged, use bullet lists, photos, infographics, etc. to help tell your 4-H story.

A complete application includes:

1. Designation of Awards and Program Areas of Submission
2. About Me page
3. My Experience answers (4 pages max)
4. DELEGATE APPLICANTS ONLY: Representing Nebraska 4-H answers (1 page max)
5. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS ONLY: Nebraska 4-H Foundation Scholarships page
 - a. Copy of current transcripts
 - b. ACT/SAT scores

SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION

Please submit completed applications via email to your county Extension office by the county’s designated deadline. County email address are available at: <https://go.unl.edu/countyemail>.

Following your county review, you may make revisions if needed.

All state-level applications must be submitted via email to 4HAchieves@unl.edu by January 5. Files should be labeled with the applicant’s last name, first name, and county. For example: “Walker_Robin_Douglas-Sarpy”

Please check the opportunities for which you are applying. You may check more than one:

	State 4-H Scholarships
	National 4-H Conference (Takes place in Washington D. C.)
	National 4-H Congress (Takes place in Atlanta, GA)
	- Identify the program area of submission below. You may only select one.
<input type="radio"/>	Agriculture
<input type="radio"/>	STEM
<input type="radio"/>	Leadership and Entrepreneurship
<input type="radio"/>	Healthy Living
<input type="radio"/>	College and Career Preparation for My Future

ABOUT ME

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Date of Birth: (MM/DD/YEAR)	12/13/2005
Current Age:	18

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

By inserting initials below, I certify that the information in this application is accurate and complete.

Applicant's Signature (typed initials):

Date:
10-2-24

Parent/Guardian's Signature (typed initials):

Date:

10-2-24

Answer the following items within a maximum of 4 pages. Please use headings (4-H Experiences, Leadership Experiences, Community Involvement/Service-Learning Experiences, and Career Spark) to separate your responses. Creativity is encouraged, use bullet lists, photos, infographics, etc. to help tell your 4-H story. The items bulleted are suggestions of what might help us understand your involvement and learning.

4-H EXPERIENCES

Part 1

Describe your collective 4-H experience.

- Indicate the depth and breadth of your 4-H experience.

I started showing horses in 4H when I was in Colorado, I was able to compete in the Colorado state fair in the horse program. Since moving to Nebraska I have shown horses in our county fair and also competed in Nebraska state fair horse in 2022 where I took two horses, they both did great it was a fun experience, I also show market steers for the past 3 years my first year my steer passed away before fair, also shown stocker feeders in our county fair. I also was our club President in 2022.

- Identify program experiences in which you engaged.

I have had the privilege to compete over the last few years in stocker feeder, market steers, Nebraska fed steer challenge, horses, Visual Arts project and Consumer & Family Science project.

- What skills have you learned as a result of being a part of the 4-H program?

Being involved in 4H has taught me how to better take care of my animals, I have also learned how to better interact with people,

- What have you learned about yourself as a result of being a part of 4-H?

Being more involved in my community.

Part 2



Describe your 4-H experience within the last 4-H year.

The past year in 4H I showed at my local county fair along with the Nebraska state fair. At county fair I showed horses and market beef. Although i didn't place like I wished I was still happy with the outcome, my animals worked extremely well for me and my market steer sold very well, This 4H year has impacted my future because I have learned how to better communicate with people, which will help me in my future career .

- What was your level of involvement?

This year I was the 2024 Achievers and believers 4H club vice President, in this position I helped the president run meetings and plan events, we were able to work together and run the club better, we were able to make decisions based on how it would benefit our club.

- Identify 3 program experiences that you would consider a “highlight” of your year.

When I was able to compete at Nebraska Fed Steer, showing my market steer and having my static projects go to state fair.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

Part 1: 4-H Leadership Experiences

Describe your 4-H leadership experiences that have helped build your leadership skills.

- What type of leadership was it?
- When did these experiences occur
- Identify your part in the experiences:
 - Skills you utilized

Leadership, Initiative, Decision making.

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Part 2: Non 4-H Leadership Experiences

Describe your Non 4-H leadership experiences that have helped build your leadership skills.

- What type of leadership was it?

I would help in school functions and FFA

- When did these experiences occur?

Our Community and School

- Identify your part in the experiences:

Helping other youth when needed

- What did you learn about leadership through these experiences?

Teamwork, communication and hardwork.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/SERVICE-LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Describe two times you were involved in volunteer service to others and/or the community through 4-H or other opportunities.

- List the type of involvement
 - Community service

- Trash Pickup
- Fairgrounds cleanup

- When did the experiences occur?

Trash pickup is in the spring and fairgrounds cleanup is before fair.

- What duties, responsibilities, and skills do you use to be successful?

The ability to work in a group, teamwork, determination and strength.

- What did you learn in each of your experiences?

To reward and value of hard work and how it pays off.

CAREER SPARK

Describe how your 4-H experiences have sparked your interest in a future career field.

I have decided to serve the public and go into the cosmetology field. I'm attending EWC now to fulfill this goal.

REPRESENTING NEBRASKA 4-H

For delegate applicants only.

In one additional page, respond to the items below. Please use headings (Representing Nebraska 4-H and As a Nebraska 4-H Youth Leader, When I Look at My State) to separate your responses.

Representing Nebraska 4-H

Share why you would like to represent Nebraska 4-H as a delegate at this national leadership opportunity.

These national trips will teach you how to grow your capacity as a leader in your community and for Nebraska 4-H.

- If you are selected to attend one of these opportunities, how will you share the skills and knowledge you gain with others in your county and throughout Nebraska?
- How will you promote this leadership experience to other 4-H members, volunteers, and decision makers?

Please think carefully about Nebraska and write two to three sentences for each topic below that you would share with county, state, and national decision makers if chosen for this leadership experience.

As a Nebraska 4-H youth leader, when I look at my state:

- *I am proud of....*
- *I am concerned about...*
- *I want to start... in Nebraska.*

National 4-H Conference & National 4-H Congress

Nebraska 4-H utilizes the Achievement Application to select delegates for [National 4-H Congress](#) and [National 4-H Conference](#). To apply as a delegate to either national experience, youth must make that designation on their Achievement Application, as well as complete the additional section titled "Representing Nebraska 4-H." Delegate applicants must follow the state-level completion and submission procedures below.

Generally, delegate applicants should:

- Be age 15-19 during the calendar year in which the trip occurs in order to be considered.
- Not have been a delegate to the program in which they are applying.
- Be able to miss one full week of school and/or work to attend the program.
- Be a participant in any Nebraska 4-H program or delivery mode, including clubs, camps, school enrichment, or afterschool programs.
- Be dependable and punctual.

If selected, delegates will be expected to:

- Participate in an orientation and complete pre-program assignments
- Check and respond to email and other online information regularly in preparation for the leadership experience
- Participate fully in the program
- Carry out follow-up responsibilities designated by the 4-H program
- Make public appearances for 4-H

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- Delegates may be required to travel to an airport that is not the closest to

them due to chaperone location and cost restrictions.

For more information regarding eligibility, expenses, and selection processes, please visit the [National 4-H Conference page](#) and [National 4-H Congress page](#).

Application Completion

Applications must be completed and submitted electronically. For convenience, three electronic formats of the application form are available, including a:

- [PDF Form](#)
- [Word Doc](#)
- [Google Doc](#) - Read-only. To edit, create a copy by selecting File – Make a Copy – Rename the document with your last name, first name, and county. Then finish editing the document for your awards application.

A complete application includes:

- Designation of Awards and Program Area of Submission
- About Me page
- My Experience pages - Limit responses to a maximum of four pages, single-space, 12 point font.
- DELEGATE APPLICANTS ONLY: Representing Nebraska 4-H (National Application) page - A fifth page is allowed for youth applying as delegates to National 4-H Conference or National 4-H Congress.
- SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS ONLY: Nebraska 4-H Foundation Scholarship page - Youth applying for the State Scholarships must complete this additional section and attach the following items with their application:
 - Copy of current transcripts
 - ACT/SAT score

Applicants should not send a list of awards received. Youth may include selected awards as part of their "My Experiences" section of the application.

Creativity is encouraged. Applications may include bulleted lists, photos, infographics, etc. to help tell the 4-H member's story.

Only one application is required and permitted even if youth are applying for multiple awards and recognition.

Application Submission

Applications must be submitted to the county Extension office by the county's designated deadline for county-level participation. County-level deadlines may vary. Make note of your county 4-H deadline and adhere to it for county review. Contact your [local Extension office](#) for more information.

Following a county-level review, youth may make revisions as needed before submitting for state-level review.

State-level applications must be emailed to 4HAchieves@unl.edu. The state-level application submission deadline is January 5. Files should be labeled with the applicant's last name, first name, and county. For example: "Walker Robin Douglas-Sarpy.pdf".

State-Level Awards Selection

A selection committee will screen applications. In the selection process, significant accomplishments in your 4-H experience, leadership, community involvement, and career spark are given more consideration than the number of 4-H projects completed. Applicants who have not been awarded a National 4-H leadership opportunity previously will be given preference.

NEBRASKA 4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

For scholarship applicants only.

Scholarly Information & Eligibility

Indicate if you are:

<input checked="" type="radio"/>	A Current High School Senior OR College Freshman
<input type="radio"/>	A Current High School Junior **Only Eligible for Grand Island Horse Scholarship**
<input type="radio"/>	Other

4-H Involvement

How many years have you participated in 4-H?

<input type="radio"/>	Less than 1
<input type="radio"/>	1-3
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	4 or more

Are you currently enrolled and active in the 4-H horse program?

<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No

Your School & Education Plan

What school/university do you plan to attend?

<input type="radio"/>	University of Nebraska–Kearney
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	University of Nebraska–Lincoln
<input type="radio"/>	University of Nebraska–Omaha
<input type="radio"/>	Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture
<input type="radio"/>	
	Other, please list: Pre-Health (Nursing

(ONLY IF PLANNING TO ATTEND UNL) What college do you plan to attend at UNL?

<input checked="" type="radio"/>	College of Agricultural Science and Natural Resources (CASNR)
<input type="radio"/>	College of Education and Human Sciences (CEHS)
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Pre- Health
<input type="radio"/>	

Other Questions

Are you a first-generation college student?

<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	No

<input type="radio"/>	
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