KENTUCKY 4-H PROJECT OVERVIEW

4-H HEALTH PROJECT





Step It Up!

Pass it on! Now that you know how, share it with others. Here are ideas to get you started.

Are you Into It?

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Learn how you explore health and wellness!

- Learn how to take care of your own physical, emotional, and social health
- Practice a healthy lifestyle and share what you have learned with others
- Learn about health and wellness resources in your community and state
- Learn to make decisions and take action that positively affects your health, your family's health, and your community's health

Here's what you can do all year!

Starting OutBasic/Level 1

Learning More Intermediate/Level 2

Expanding HorizonsAdvanced/Level 3

- Learn basic safety and first aid skills
- Learn the importance of physical activity
- Learn about poisons and how to keep you and your family safe
- Develop a family safety plan
- Identify safe places to play in your community
- Learn about fire safety
- Learn about careers in emergency medicine

- Create a personal health and wellness care plan
- Learn about germs and how they affect your health
- Learn how to choose food for fuel
- Discover new ways to add physical activity to your life
- Learn about careers in the health field

- Learn about sports supplements and their effectiveness
- Explore how hydration affects the body
- Explore what nutrient rich foods are and how they benefit your body
- Explore careers in fitness and nutrition
- Investigate community health issues like: bullying, safe driving, disaster plans

Communication

- Write a speech about the importance of physical activity
- Teach your club a fun activity break

Citizenship

- Organize a 4-H group to assemble first aid kits
- Conduct a playground safety check in your community

Leadership

- Volunteer to be the club health and safety officer
- Organize a 4-H health club
- Write a grant for sport safety equipment for your community

4H is a community of young people who are learning leadership citizenship and life skills.

Learn more at www.kentucky4h.org or contact your county extension office.

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Take Health Further!

Here are some other opportunities to explore health:

- Create a recreation/activity plan for your club and lead the activities
- Evaluate on-line resources related to health and fitness are they trustworthy?
- Visit with your county risk management office and learn how prepared your county is for a natural disaster
- Encourage your fellow club members to enroll in Red Cross First Aid and CPR classes
- Lead age-appropriate physical activity sessions at your local senior center
- Explore how mental and emotional health are connected to physical health
- Is it fair time? Consider taking some of your health project learning to the fair for judging

Resources

4-H Resources	Other Resources	Record Keeping
 4-H Dancefit Jump Into Food and Fitness Steps to a Healthy Teen Get Moving Kentucky – Youth Lessons Headlines for Health Media-Smart Youth: Eat, Think, and Be Active SPARK After School Centering on Me: A Stretching, Controlled Breathing and Meditation Curriculum for Kids Clover Cat Way To Wellness Wellness in Kentucky 4-H Fishing for Adventure 4-H Bicycle Adventures 	 Online information for parents can be found at 4-H.org 4-H Healthy Living Ambassadors 	 Record your activities on your Kentucky 4-H Achievement Program application Contact your county 4-H agent for a project record book.



Exhibit Ideas

- Present a speech or demonstration on health at your county speech and demonstration contest
- Participate in 4-H Health Month
- Become a 4-H Healthy Living Ambassador

