



Overview of Macomb County 4-H Awards

Purpose

The purpose of this awards program is to recognize Macomb County 4-H youth for engaging in rich learning experiences that result in outstanding knowledge and life-skill development as described in the Life Skills Wheel Model found in Appendix B.

After participating in the County 4-H Awards Program youth will:

- Learn to better communicate and articulate their accomplishments on professional applications such as scholarships, college entrance applications, résumés and cover letters for employment
- Have more experience and be better able to communicate during job interviews
- Build long-lasting friendships and establish connections with industry and academic leaders
- Be encouraged to set new goals, continue building skills and assets, and broaden interests

Who

Michigan 4-H members currently enrolled in a Macomb County 4-H program and are 11 to 19 years of age as of January 1 of the current program year are eligible for the Macomb County 4-H Awards Program. The Macomb County 4-H Awards Program is divided into two age divisions: Junior (4-H ages 11-14) and Senior (4-H ages 15-19).

When

All applications are due by October 1st to the Macomb County MSU Extension office. All winning applicants will be invited to participate in the State 4-H Awards ceremony during 4-H Exploration Days at Michigan State University in East Lansing. All State 4-H Awards applications are due by February 1. Mark of Excellence Essays are submitted to the Macomb County MSU Extension office, while State Awards applications are submitted via email to State4HAwards@anr.msu.edu.

Cost

There is no cost for members to participate in the Macomb County 4-H Awards Program. This program is made possible by generous donations from the Macomb County 4-H Youth Council and Michigan 4-H participation fees.

Supporting the Macomb County Awards Program

Gifts in support of the Macomb County 4-H Awards Program are greatly appreciated and will go directly toward scholarships. If you or your club is interested in helping to recognize Macomb County's best 4-H youth, contact Macomb County MSU Extension at macomb.4h@macombgov.org or 586-469-6431.

How

Applications for Macomb County 4-H Awards should be completed and submitted electronically via email to macomb.4h@macombgov.org, mailed or delivered to Macomb County MSU Extension, Attn: 4-H, 21885 Dunham Road, Suite 12, Clinton Township, MI 48036. **IMPORTANT:** If sent electronically, all submissions need to use a specific naming process when saving and submitting their applications and photo.



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Naming and submitting your files

Your award application and photo must be named and sent as follows:

Junior Applicants:

Application: Last name_Jr Award_Award Area.doc

Photo: Last name_Jr Award_Award Area.jpg

Senior Applicants:

Application: Last name_Sr Award_Award Area.doc

Photo: Last name_Sr Award_Award Area.jpg

Group Applicants:

Application: Group name_Group Award.doc

Photo: Group name_Group Award.jpg

Adult Applications:

Application: Last name_Adult Award_Award Area.doc

Photo: Last name_Adult Award_Award Area.jpg