

## Missouri 4-H Youth Code of Conduct

All youth who participate in Missouri 4-H Youth Development programs, which are planned, conducted, and supervised by University of Missouri Extension, are responsible for their own conduct. Youth participating in 4-H programs are expected to demonstrate the character traits of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. Specifically, 4-H youth are expected to abide by the following behavior guidelines.

- 1. Be courteous and respect others.
- 2. Obey all rules established by the University of Missouri Extension 4-H Youth Development program and those of the local club/group as well as local and state laws.
- 3. Treat all people fairly and animals humanely.
- 4. Respect the property of others.
- 5. Respect the authority of adult or youth volunteers, paid Extension staff, and others in leadership roles.
- 6. Use appropriate language and wear acceptable clothing at 4-H activities and events.
- 7. Show kindness to others and give assistance when needed.
- 8. Be honest and honor commitments.
- 9. Strive for personal best and keep trying to improve.
- 10. Accept responsibility for personal choices.

We understand and accept the responsibility for following the 4-H Youth Behavior Guidelines. We further understand that failure to do so may result in disciplinary action and forfeiture of participation privileges.

Note: During enrollment in the 4HOnline system, youth, parents/guardians and volunteers must accept the policies of Missouri 4-H in order to participate in programs and events.