



Sonoma County 4-H Project Outline and Member Agreement

Program year:	2023-24
4-H Club:	Independence
Project name:	Backyard Chickens

PROJECT LEADERS

Project Leader	Jennie Harriman	Contact	harrimanfarms@sbcglobal.net
Assistant Project Leader	Lindsay Maddocks	Contact	
Youth Jr/Teen Leader	Caleb Harriman	Contact	

EXPECTATIONS

The project meeting dates and times will be:	Third Monday of each month unless it is a holiday. First Meeting in November. 5:30-7:00?
Members are required to attend this percentage of project meetings to complete the project:	__ 80 __ % (# meetings)
This project will begin: This project will end:	November - April
A record of meeting attendance will be kept by:	Jennie Harriman
The project goals will be:	To learn about care of our backyard chickens.
We will focus on the following learning objectives:	We will brainstorm issues we have had or might have with care of our chickens. Objectives will be created from these issues and might include the following: To learn about pest management. To learn about proper shelter. To learn about illness treatment.
Each member will need these specific supplies, materials, or equipment for this project:	Supplies and materials needed will be based on the individual's own flock and housing desires.
Our community service activity will be:	Our community service activity will be: To gift eggs or food made with eggs with others.
We will handle the project recordkeeping by:	Taking notes about what we did at each meeting.
When members complete these requirements, their Annual Project Report form will be signed:	80% attendance and one poster research project
The estimated cost to participate will be:	\$ Cost will depend on family's own desires for their chicken's shelter and care.
The expenses for this project will be paid by:	I will cover any expenses for creation of research poster display.
Additional activities members will be encouraged to participate in will include:	Attending a fair or showmanship event
Members should bring the following to each	A notebook that I will provide at the first meeting.

meeting:	
Members must follow these safety practices at each meeting:	Please do not attend if you feel sick. We will come up with an alternate project for you.
Field trips may include:	(optional) One fieldtrip may take the place of a monthly meeting would be to visit a local working farm. These would be optional independent events: County fairs, Poultry showdown if held again
Approved methods for making-up a meeting:	Notification of coming absence and agreed upon activity such as a research project that focuses on the subject of the missed meeting. Media type will be based on member's strength and ability.
In order to show at the Sonoma Town and County Fair, you must own your animal by this date:	We will not be focusing on Show Chickens. If your are interested in a show project you may want to cross club.
Other requirements to show at the Sonoma Town and Country Fair include:	

I have read the above project requirements and outline, and have understood what I need to do in order to successfully complete the project. I understand that it is my responsibility to abide by the project requirements, and failure to fulfill them might lead to an incompleteness of the project.

Date			
Youth Member Name		Youth Member Signature	
Parent Name		Parent Signature	
Project Leader Name		Project Leader Signature	

Relevant 4-H Policies and Procedures

- Project Completion:
 - Must be a member in good standing (completed 4-H enrollment, be in at least 1 project, & comply with the 4-H Code of Conduct).
 - Complete a minimum of six hours of project instruction (or more as required by the project leader). Project Leaders may determine the number of hours of project instruction necessary to achieve the goals and learning objectives.
 - Complete the Annual Project Report (APR).
 - Project completion may not include requirements such as (a) conducting a 4-H presentation, (b) wearing the 4-H uniform, (c) taking a 4-H proficiency test, or (d) attending Club meetings.
 - Members receive a year stripe and pin for project completion. Primary members do not complete the APR, and receive a year stripe and pin for participation in a project.

- A member may add or delete project enrollment at any time during the 4-H year. However, the 4-H Club Leader, with county 4-H office approval, may establish project enrollment deadlines relative to participation in (a) 4-H presentation days, (b) county fair, and (c) other exhibit opportunities.
- 4-H adult volunteers or members cannot charge for services or lessons they provide as a 4-H adult volunteer or junior/teen leader. Project activities must be performed free of any charges.