

4-H Pledge:

I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking;
My HEART to greater loyalty;
My HANDS to larger service;
and my HEALTH to better living,
for my club, my community, my
country and my world.



4-H MOTTO

“To Make the Best Better”

The 4-H Youth Development Program is part of Rutgers Cooperative Extension a unit of the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station. 4-H offers educational programs to all youth, grades K-13 (one year out of high school), on an age-appropriate basis, without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or disability. Rutgers Cooperative Extension is an Equal Opportunity Program Provider and Employer.

Cooperating Agencies:

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**Cumberland County
4-H Cloverbud Program**

*Parents' Guide for the
4-H Cloverbud Program
Grades
Kindergarten-Third*

What is the 4-H Cloverbud Program?

The 4-H Cloverbud Program is a fun, educational out-of-school activity for boys and girls in K-3 grade. It is the youth development program of Rutgers Cooperative Extension, a unit of the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station.

4-H Cloverbud can help provide opportunities for children to have fun while:

- exploring and developing their own special interests.
 - learning to get along and work with others.
 - building self confidence through healthy and positive experiences.
 - introducing them to a variety of 4-H project areas and to standard 4-H Clubs.
- ### 4-H Cloverbud Clubs:
- have approximately 5-8 members.
 - meet for about an hour once or twice a month (location determined by leader).
 - have NO registration fees, uniforms or fund raising activities.
 - can participate in all county-wide events and activities as well as special programs for 4-H Cloverbud members.

The 4-H Cloverbud Program enriches the life of every child involved by providing a safe, non-competitive, fun way for

them to participate in a variety of activities under the guidance of an adult volunteer leader.

Who are Cloverbud Leaders?

Cloverbud leaders are adult volunteers, willing to share their skills and time with children. Frequently, they are parents who start a club for their children. All leaders are screened and trained. Teaching materials, which include leader guides and member project books are free. *Becoming a 4-H Cloverbud leader and starting your own club is the **easiest** way to get your child involved in 4-H* and help them and other children discover their interests and explore new opportunities.

How Do I Start a 4-H Cloverbud Club?

To start a 4-H Cloverbud Club, all you need to do is call (856-451-2800) or stop by the 4-H Center, located at 291 Morton Avenue in Rosenhayn. 4-H Program Assistant and Cloverbud Program Coordinator, Cheryl McCormick or another member of the 4-H staff will help you start your club.

What if I Can't Start a 4-H Cloverbud Club ?

If you are unable to start a club of your own at this time, but would like your child to participate in 4-H, the County

4-H Cloverbud Club might be the answer. This club meets on the 1st Thursday of each month from 7-8 PM at the 4-H Center in Rosenhayn.

Cloverbud members work on a variety of activities in project areas like arts and crafts, science, nature, foods and nutrition, health and fitness, safety, animal sciences and community service.

A child can remain in the County 4-H Cloverbud Club for a year. The County 4-H Cloverbud Club requires that each member be accompanied by an adult at the meetings. This provides an opportunity for parents to learn how 4-H Clubs are run and ensures that each child receives adequate assistance. At the end of the year, we hope that one or more new clubs can be formed by a parent who can take on the role as a 4-H volunteer leader.

Who Will Help Me?

4-H staff will help you in every way we can! You will receive assistance in organizing your club and getting your child involved in the Cumberland County 4-H Cloverbud Program.

**Help your child learn, explore and grow—Call the 4-H Center TODAY!
Cumberland County 4-H Program
(856-451-2800)**

