



South Fork Elementary 4-H Club



**We are thrilled you and your child have taken interest in joining the South Fork Elementary 4-H club for the 2021-2022 school year. It is sure to be a great year filled with serving those in our community! Listed below is a breakdown of the basic information, activities, and events that will take place throughout the year. Be aware that new activities and events may arise. We will let you know if and when these do!

- **4-H Dues:** This year, our 4-H dues will be \$25.00. These dues will cover the cost of our parish 4-H dues, your child's T-shirt, and various supplies and activities your child will need and/or participate in throughout the year. 4-H dues must be paid online through OSP no later than **Friday, October 1, 2021**. Please log onto lpsb.org, select schools, then South Fork Elementary. Once on our school page, you will see a link for online school payments (OSP) where you can pay your child's dues online. If this is a problem, please message through remind.
- **Communication:** Sponsors will communicate through the Remind app. This will be the best way to get questions answered and reminders about upcoming events for our club. **Please text @SFE4H to 81010**
- **4H Folder:** We will provide your child with a folder.
The children will keep their project book, portfolio, and all notes in this folder. It is to be brought to each meeting! This will be our window of communication. Please look for monthly newsletters after each 4-H meeting which will be held once per month.
- **Service Projects:** Our members will be responsible for doing monthly service projects around the school. These things may include, helping another class or reading to a younger grade during their PE or recess time, helping pick up trash around the school, and various other things. Students are responsible for scheduling this with their personal teacher and the teacher to be helped. Students are also encouraged to participate in other community service activities outside of school if possible.
- **Poster Contests:** Each 4-H member is required to turn in **three mini posters**. These should be completed on a regular sheet of 8 ½ by 11 inch solid white paper. Be sure the child's first and last name, address, age, grade, school, parish, and homeroom teacher are listed on the back of each. This activity is **mandatory** in order for your child to be in the club. These mini posters will be voted upon, and the winning

students will move onto the parish or state level where they will create a larger version of their poster to compete for a cash prize.

- **Drug Prevention/Peer Pressure Poster due 10/25** – Create a mini poster focused on drug prevention. You should include a unique drug free slogan. Don't attach anything to the poster. You may draw, paint, sketch, or color.
 - **Dairy Poster due 11/18**– “Draw a Dairy Billboard” Your billboard design should be a short, concise message or motto. Don't attach anything to the poster. Cattle only, no goats. You may draw, paint, sketch, or color. Do not use any slogans or logos that are copyright protected.
 - **Beef Poster due 12/13** – Tell a story of beef and/or beef products. Include a drawing, as well as a short message or motto. Don't attach anything to the poster. You may draw, paint, sketch, or color.
- **Project Books:** Each child is **REQUIRED** to complete one project book this calendar year. All members must complete Discovering 4-H (4th grade) or Experiencing the World of 4H (5th grade). **Not completing the book is NOT an option! If even one project book is not complete, this will negatively affect our club as a whole!** Project books will be due at the beginning of February 2022. We will let you know if the exact date as it approaches.
 - **Running for Office:** If your child is interested in running for an office, he/she needs to sign up with Ms. Chavers by **Friday October 8, 2021**. The following positions are available:
 - **President**-leads meetings (5th grade only)
 - **Vice President**- assists in leading meetings
 - **Secretary**- keeps track of meeting notes and upcoming events
 - **Treasurer**-helps with money and gives a monthly money update
 - **Reporter**- discusses projects going on within the club and member accomplishments

Students may create posters and campaign **Monday October 11-12**. If they would like to create a short speech, they may do so. These should be prepared for **Wednesday, October 13**. The children will have the opportunity to share their speech with the club at this time. Elections will be held on **Wednesday, October 13**. All elected officers **MUST** attend Officer Training Day in November. Specific date will be announced later. Since this is an

after school event, you must provide transportation for your child. This event should last approximately one hour.

- **Project Training Day:** This information is subject to change. It will be held in November. It is MANDATORY that your child attend! You must provide your child with transportation as this event will take place outside of normal school hours.
 - **Family Life and Agriculture & Natural Resources:** Saturday, Date to be announced. There is no need to sign up ahead of time. Choose from one of the areas listed below, and you will inform the agent when you arrive which project you would like to attend. Areas to choose from are:
 - Wildlife
 - Dog Care
 - Sewing/Fashion
 - Hunting Skills
 - Food & Nutrition
 - Livestock
 - ***Of course, we know that emergencies arise. If for some reason your child is unable to attend Project Training Day (illness, death in the family, prior engagement, etc.), please send in an excuse in writing, and your child may make up this activity by attending Demonstration Day in early 2020.
- **Talent Show:** Subject to change. This will be held in November. Only one act from our entire club will be submitted. More information will come out regarding this activity later.
- **Honey Bee Essays:** Your child may participate in the Honey Bee Essay Writing Contest. More information to come if your child is interested in participating in this event. This is an optional activity.
- **Shooting Sports:** Students may participate in various shooting sports programs outside of school hours. Disciplines offered include: archery, shotgun, air pistol, BB gun, air rifle, 22 pistol, and 22 rifle. Contact Mrs. Seguin at Mikayla.seguin@lpsb.org for more information.
- **Livestock Show Team:** Students may participate in livestock showing if they have animals to show already or if they are interested in raising and showing animals. Some of the animals that can be shown are goats, poultry, dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine,

sheep, and rabbits. Contact Mrs. Seguin at Mikayla.seguin@lpsb.org for more information.

- **Food Festival: Date subject to change. This is projected for January.**
More information will be available soon if your child is interested in participating, please have them let a sponsor know before the day of. This is an optional activity.
- **Fashion Review: February 22, 2022** at 5:30 pm at South Fork Elementary School.
Garments are due to the 4H office usually a month before, so please have them turned in to a 4H sponsor on time. Dates will be announced later.
More information will be available soon if your child is interested in participating please have them let one of the sponsor know. This is an optional activity.
- **Demonstration Day/Public Speaking Day:**
It will take place in March. For this activity, 4-H members will pair together to do a team “HOW TO” demonstration with visuals and appropriate supplies. More information will be provided as this event approaches. It is an optional activity.
***Remember your child may make up the missed Project Training Day by attending Demonstration Day!
- **Achievement Day: March 25, 2022** at Walker High School. Transportation will be provided to this event since it will occur during school hours. On this day, the children will take tests on their completed project books and all awards will be given. **Only members who have participated in ALL mandatory events and completed their project books will be invited to attend Achievement Day!**
- **End of the Year Field Trip:** Date and Destination TBA! **Only members who have participated in ALL mandatory events will be invited to attend the field trip!**

****Please submit the following portion of the packet to Ms. Chavers
by Friday, October 1, 2021**

****Your \$25.00 dues should be paid online prior to turning in the permission slip.****

If you have any questions at all throughout the year, please feel free to send us a message through the remind code provided.

Thank you.
Ms. Chavers, Mrs. Blevins, and Mrs. Seguin



2021 – 2022 4-H Permission Slip



My child, _____, has my permission to join the 2021 – 2022 South Fork Elementary 4-H Club. I understand that my child must submit \$25.00 dues **online** and this permission slip by **Friday, October 1, 2022**. I also understand that my child must fully complete three posters, a project book & portfolio, as well as attend Project Training Day since these are mandatory activities.

My child would like to run for office. Yes No

If yes, please list the office they would like to run for. _____

T-Shirt Size: YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL

Guardian's Name _____ Number _____

E-mail _____

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E-mail _____

Other Emergency Contact _____
Phone Number Relationship

Parent Signature Date