



St. John the Baptist Parish 4-H 2026-2027 Awards and Recognitions

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES

NAME OF AWARD OR RECOGNITION	HOW TO RECEIVE	WHAT RECIPIENT MAY RECIEVE
Growth Champion Award <i>(Formerly Outstanding Member)</i>	Selected by the club leader to recognize a member who has demonstrated growth, effort, and positive development throughout the year. Consideration should be given to improvement over time, participation, attitude, and contributions to the club.	Plaque & Medal
Most Improved 4-H Member Award	Awarded to a member who has shown significant personal growth in confidence, participation, leadership, or skill development over the course of the year. Nominations may come from club leaders.	Certificate & Medal
Resilience & Perseverance Award	Awarded to a member who remained committed to 4-H despite challenges and demonstrated persistence, effort, and a positive mindset.	Certificate & Medal
Community Impact Award (Individual)	Awarded to members who participate in service activities throughout the year. Recognition Levels: • Bronze: Participated in service activities • Silver: Assisted in planning or organizing service • Gold: Led or initiated a service project	Certificate & Award Pin
Peer Mentor Award	Recognizes members who support and encourage other 4-H'ers by helping them learn, participate, and succeed.	Certificate & Leadership Pin
Behind-the-Scenes Leader Award	Awarded to members who contribute in meaningful ways through reliability, teamwork, and quiet leadership without seeking recognition.	Certificate & Award Pin
Club Officer Recognition	Awarded to club officers who complete their leadership role during the program year. Officers may submit a brief reflection or summary of their responsibilities, contributions, and leadership experiences.	Certificate

SKILL & PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AWARDS

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4-H Project Achievement Award	Awarded to members who actively participate in a project area and demonstrate skill development. Members must submit evidence of their learning, which may include photos, project samples, skill checklists, or a short reflection.	Certificate & Ribbon
Skill Builder Awards (Pathway-Based)	Awarded to members who demonstrate growth and participation within a specific project or pathway area through workshops, activities, and hands-on experiences.	Certificate & Pin

MILESTONE RECOGNITION

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Clover Pathfinder	Recognizes 4 th – 6 th grade members who are actively exploring 4-H and participating in club and project activities.	Certificate
Clover Builder	Recognizes 7 th – 8 th grade members who demonstrate continued participation, skill development, and emerging leadership.	Certificate
Clover Leader	Recognizes 9 th – 12 th members who show leadership, commitment, and meaningful contributions to 4-H.	Certificate
Senior Honor Cords	Graduating seniors who demonstrate active participation and involvement in 4-H over multiple years may apply and must complete the online application	Official 4-H Honor Cord

CONTEST & PARTICIPATION RECOGNITION

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Parish, State, and National Participation Recognition	Members representing the parish in official 4-H contests, competitions, and events will be recognized.	Certificate & Event Recognition Ribbon
Poster & Contest Participation	Members who participate in educational contests may receive recognition based on participation and/or placing. This includes Beef Poster, Dairy Posters, etc.	Certificate & Ribbon & Advancement to next level if applicable

CLUB AWARDS AND RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES

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Outstanding 4-H Club	Awarded to clubs demonstrating strong member engagement, participation, service, and a positive club environment. Judged using a rubric.	Trophy
Community Impact Award (Club)	Awarded to clubs that plan and participate in service projects that positively impact their school or community. Clubs submit a brief service summary at the end of the year. Recognition Levels: • Bronze: Completed at least one service activity • Silver: Completed multiple service activities OR sustained involvement in one project • Gold: Completed a meaningful or impactful service initiative, youth played a major role in planning and leading, demonstrated clear impact on the community	
T-Shirt Contest	Each 4-H Club is encouraged to participate in the T-shirt contest. This contest allows clubs to showcase their club shirts for the year. Please wear your shirts on the day of Achievement Day.	
4-H Flag Contest	All 4-H Clubs are encouraged to participate in this contest. Flags will be used during the opening ceremonies as we introduce each club represented during the day. All schools will be given a blank flag.	

	Flags are to be decorated, original, and CANNOT be done professionally.	
Song & Yell Contest	Each 4-H Club is encouraged to prepare a 4-H song, yell, or chant to present during Achievement Day's song, yell, and chant portion. All songs/yells/chants cannot be more than 3 minutes in length. Incorporate the Achievement Day theme, name of your school, 4-H, various projects, activities, etc., into your song/yell. Use your favorite tune as a starting point. No music accompaniment will be allowed. Acts must be performed from seat location.	
Talent Showcase	Each school is allowed to have three (3) entries in the Talent Showcase. Performances/acts cannot exceed 3 minutes in length. This is an opportunity for 4-H members to showcase their talents to their peers. Complete the information sheet and submit it alongside the Achievement Day Registration Form.	
4-H Spirit Stick	One (1) 4-H Club will walk away with the 4-H Spirit Stick. This award will be presented to the club that exhibits the most spirit throughout 4-H Achievement Day.	

PROGRAM & LEGACY RECOGNITION

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4-H Scholarships	Graduating seniors may apply for 4-H scholarships by completing the official application. Selection is based on overall 4-H involvement, leadership, service, personal growth, and future goals.	Monetary Scholarship Award
Alumni Award	Awarded to former 4-H members who continue to support and contribute to the 4-H program or their community. Individuals may be nominated by others or self-nominated.	Certificate
Outstanding Club Leader Award	Club leaders may be nominated by 4-H members, parents, or community members. This award recognizes leaders who provide meaningful experiences, support youth development, and create a positive and engaging 4-H environment.	Trophy