About Michigan 4-H

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Always heard of Michigan 4-H but not sure what it's all about? Many people think 4-H is just for kids who live on farms or those interested in raising and selling animals – <u>but that's not true!</u> Offering a diverse range of topics and interest areas, 4-H is the largest youth development organization in Michigan. In fact, each year more than 200,000 young people explore what interests and excites them as they grow through Michigan 4-H. From program areas ranging from science and technology to clothing and textiles, and so much more, 4-H provides fun, educational opportunities that empower young people with skills to lead for a lifetime and become the foundation for future success. After all, true leaders aren't born: they're grown!

Based on the experiential learning model, youth in 4-H participate in specific program areas through the learn-by-doing approach. In addition to gaining valuable content knowledge, this model teaches 4-H members critical life skills such as goal -setting, self-discipline, conflict resolution and teamwork that directly contributes to the communities they live in. The growth of these life skills are just one of the many positive youth development outcomes that occur from youth's participation in 4-H and result in a direct impact on not only themselves but others youth interact with as well. 4-H clubs are the primary delivery model for 4-H programs and provide youth with unlimited opportunities for learning, relationship-building and fun. There is a \$20 participation fee for each child enrolled in 4-H during any given program year. This fee applies to 4-H Cloverbuds (youth ages 5-7) and 4-H members (youth ages 8—19). For families with three or more children, the maximum participation fees paid per family is \$60 per year. The Cass County Leaders Association provides participation fee scholarships, when needed.



About The Village 4-H Club:

Supported by Our Father's Family Keeper Ministries, a IRC 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, when needed, transportation to/from the monthly meeting is available. Each 2nd Sunday(*) monthly meeting includes a well balanced meal. General 4-H Meeting Itinerary

- ◊ 2:00—2:30 p.m. Meal
- 2:30—3:00 p.m. Youth led meeting
- ♦ 3:00—4:00 p.m. Hands-On Activity

Meeting Location:

Vandalia Youth Center, 18035 State

Street, Vandalia, MI 49095

*Due to conflicts May, and July meetings are the 1st Sunday

Although youth 5 years of age as of Jan 1 are the youngest to formally join ,The Village 4-H club welcomes youth 3—4 years of age with adult supervision. Please feel free to reach out to Ms. Bianca L. May aka Sis. May, The Village 4-H club Administrative Leader Cell Phone 269-580-1786 or Email ourfathersfamily@ymail.com