

Wayne County 4-H Group Project Guidelines

Many clubs take one or two club or group projects during the year. In order to add some uniformity to those projects throughout the county, here are some guidelines to help you:

- 1) Involve your 4-H members in selecting your club project and in setting the goals for it.
- 2) You may purchase a project book/leader's guide for the club or for each member.
- 3) A club/group project must be more than a one-time activity. For example: cooking one meal outdoors is a club **activity**; cooking several meals outdoors, learning about food safety and fire safety, etc. is a club **project**.
- 4) Clubs taking group projects should follow the project guidelines for that project or suggest alternative guidelines and discuss that with the 4-H staff.
- 5) Group projects may be repeated more than one year if different goals and activities are planned each year. This is especially important if the project is taken two years in succession.
- 6) 4-H members should do most of the work on the project with guidance from advisors and parents.
- 7) Group projects should be evaluated by another club's advisor, another adult knowledgeable in that field, or one of our staff in order to be complete.
- 8) If clubs wish to display their group projects at the fair for premiums, they must (a) make a fair entry for the project on each individual's entry form and (b) have an individual or group exhibit of some type — not just a list of names on a poster.

