



Saskatchewan 4-H Facts and Information Sheet

Member Study Guide 2023

Facts and information are correct as of April 1, 2023.

To complete the 4-H year, each member **MUST** complete a questionnaire provided by 4-H Saskatchewan which is comprised of general 4-H facts and information. Please use this study guide to prepare for the questionnaire.

CANADA 4-H Saskatchewan

*Seniors and Intermediates should be familiar with all facts. Juniors should be at least familiar with those marked with a ✓. Cloverbuds will need to know those marked with a *.*

NUMBERS

Saskatchewan

- There are about **2,663** 4-H members in Saskatchewan. ✓
- There are about **610** 4-H leaders in Saskatchewan. ✓
- There are about **177** screened volunteers in Saskatchewan. ✓
- There are **155** 4-H clubs in Saskatchewan. ✓
- There are **62** 4-H projects in Saskatchewan. ✓
- There are **39** 4-H districts in Saskatchewan, which are divided into **four** regions. ✓
- The Beef project has the highest enrolment. ✓ *
- The Light Horse project has the second highest enrolment. ✓
- The 4-U Self Determined project has the third highest enrolment.
- The Archery project has the fourth highest enrolment.
- The Sheep project has the fifth highest enrolment.

Canada

- There are about 16,082 4-H members in Canada. *(2021-2022 statistics)*
- There are about 939 4-H clubs across Canada. *(2022-2022 statistics)*
- There are about 5,774 4-H leaders in Canada. *(2021-2021 statistics)*
- Alberta is the province with the highest 4-H enrolment. Ontario is second. Saskatchewan is third. ✓
- Across Canada, the Beef project has the highest total enrolment. ✓

Global

- There are nearly seven million (7,000,000) 4-H members in the world.
- Independent, country-led 4-H programs can be found in 70 countries. ✓
- The Global 4-H Network was formed in 2014 at the Summit in Seoul, South Korea.
- Two representatives were elected from each region (Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America & Caribbean, North America) to form the Board of Directors.

REGULATIONS

- To be an eligible 4-H member, a youth must be at least six years of age and no more than 21 years of age on or before December 31st of the membership year. ✓
- Future Leaders is the age category for ages 22 to 25 as of December 31st of the membership year. They are not traditional members but complete the Advancing Forward Program.
- 4-H member age groups are as follows: (all ages are on or before December 31st of the membership year)
 - Cloverbud – 6 to 8 years of age ✓ *
 - Junior – 9 to 12 years of age ✓
 - Intermediate – 13 to 15 years of age ✓
 - Senior – 16 to 21 years of age ✓
- At least four members are needed to form a 4-H club. ✓
- To complete the 4-H year, every member must:
 - exhibit a completed record book ✓
 - exhibit or demonstrate project work
 - participate in a public speaking activity
 - complete a questionnaire for each project taken
 - complete a general 4-H knowledge questionnaire ✓
- Each club must hold a minimum of three general meetings per membership year.
- The general leader of the 4-H club must be elected each year by the 4-H members in the 4-H club.
- Clubs must have a minimum of two screened and trained leaders, who are not spouses, at each 4-H function including meetings and fun days.

THE CLUB MEETING

- The person who chairs the 4-H meeting and votes to break a tie is the president. ✓
- The secretary records what happens at club meetings and reports back at the next meeting. ✓
- The treasurer reports how much money was spent and received. ✓
- According to parliamentary procedure, most motions should be seconded before discussion takes place. ✓
- Only registered 4-H members of the club have voting privileges. ✓

REGIONAL INFORMATION

- 4-H clubs and districts are separated into four administrative regions in the province: North East, North West, South East and South West. ✓
- The North West region has the highest member enrollment in 4-H Saskatchewan.

- The first three 4-H clubs in Saskatchewan were formed in the South East region.
- The North East region has the most districts.
- The South West region is the largest region geographically.
- Districts are divided according to the Rural Municipality lines based on the archived Agricultural Extension department boundaries.

SYMBOLS AND LANGUAGE

- The 4-H logo colours are green and white. ✱
- Green stands for agriculture, growth and youth, and white for purity. ✓
- The 4-H motto is “Learn To Do By Doing”. ✓ ✱
- The four H’s stand for head, heart, hands and health. ✓ ✱
- The 4-H Saskatchewan mission statement is: 4-H Saskatchewan is a youth empowering organization that promotes community involvement through mentorship as demonstrated by our motto Learn To Do By Doing.
- The 4-H Saskatchewan Core Values are: Honour and Integrity, Responsibility, Co-operation and Fun.
- The four Leadership Development pillars of 4-H are: Environment and Healthy Living; Science and Technology; Community Engagement and Communications; and Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security.
- The official Canadian 4-H logo is a four-leafed clover with a maple leaf in the center and an ‘H’ on each leaf and the word CANADA below (*see top left corner of first page*). ✓ ✱
- To create a 4-H Club or District 4-H Council logo, the 4-H club or district’s name is placed above the Canadian 4-H Council Logo and the Provincial Council’s name is placed below. ✓
- The Saskatchewan 4-H Council’s Mascot is Harold the Hare. ✓ ✱
- The Canadian 4-H Council’s Mascot is Frisco the Fox.
- Saskatchewan 4-H publishes a magazine called “4-H Bits & Pieces”. ✓
- The 4-H Canada magazine is called the 4-H Advantage.

ADMINISTRATION

- The 4-H Saskatchewan year operates from September 1 to August 31 each year.
- There are four Regional 4-H Specialists in the province who work directly with members, clubs and leaders. ✓
- The Saskatchewan 4-H Council is a not-for-profit organization which administers the 4-H program in Saskatchewan.
- The Saskatchewan 4-H Council provincial office is located in Saskatoon. ✓
- The Saskatchewan 4-H Council’s decision-making is done by the Board of Directors, which includes representation from all regions of the province.
- Our Board of Directors is a volunteer board, which means that individuals are not paid for their time contribution.
- Regional Board of Directors are elected for three-year terms. Executive members of the Board of Directors are elected for one-year terms, except the President who is elected for a two-year term.
- The Board of Directors is comprised of: three leader representatives from each region, two 18 year old member delegates from the province and a representative from the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture as well as the Executive Director for a total of 16 members on the Board.
- The Saskatchewan 4-H Foundation is a registered charity.
- The Saskatchewan 4-H Council annual general meeting takes place in March each year. This is where new Board of Directors members are elected, and resolutions are voted on for changes to policies.
- All districts have the opportunity to send two voting delegates (one member, one leader) to the annual general meeting. This ensures that every district is able to express their opinions and concerns through the voting process.

PEOPLE

- The President of the Saskatchewan 4-H Council is Jason Frey. The Vice President is Kristin Caldwell. ✓
- The Chair of the Canadian 4-H Council is Carlie Whetter of Manitoba. The Past Chair is Valerie Stone of Ontario.
- The Chief Executive Officer of the Canadian 4-H Council is Shannon Benner.
- The Executive Director of the Saskatchewan 4-H Council is Aubrey Eaton. ✓
- 4-H Saskatchewan’s Regional staff includes: ✓
 - Kaitlyn Keller (SW & NW Districts 22, 23, 24, 29, 30)
 - Raeanne Pettifer (NE & NW Districts 33, 34, 35, 36, 38)
 - Melodi Hawkesford-Lee (SE & Regional 4-H Manager)
- Your 4-H District number is _____ ✓ ✱
- The Saskatchewan Minister of Agriculture is the Honourable David Marit. ✓
- The Premier of Saskatchewan is the Honourable Scott Moe.
- The Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada is The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau. ✓

OTHER INFORMATION

- National 4-H Month is held in November each year. ✓
- National ‘Show Your 4-H Colours’ Day is the first Wednesday of November each year.
- Saskatchewan 4-H Club Week starts the Monday before ‘Show Your 4-H Colours Day’ and ends the Sunday after it.
- The first 4-H club in Canada was formed in Roland, Manitoba in 1913. ✓
- The first 4-H clubs in Saskatchewan were formed in Dubuc, Tantallon, and Colgate in 1917. ✓
- 4-H at the national level is the responsibility of the Canadian 4-H Council. The 4-H Canada office is in Ottawa. ✓
- The Global 4-H Sharing Platform is called 4-H LEARNS (Learn. Educate. Access Resources. Network. Support)
- John G. Rayner was the founder of what has become 4-H in Saskatchewan. He was the first director of the Boys and Girls Clubs.
- The first district council in Saskatchewan was District #30 which formed in 1949 for the purpose of having a Fat Stock Show & Sale
- The Saskatchewan 4-H Council was formed in 1957. This was the first provincial 4-H Council in Canada.
- Volunteer Leader Screening became mandatory for all leaders in the 4-H program in 1998.