Parents Can Help in Our 4-H Club

**TO GAIN PARENTS’ COOPERATION:**

- Visit the parents of all your members.
- Ask parents to help.
- Praise and give thanks freely.
- Help members to entertain parents.
- Talk with the parents about 4-H work.

**WHAT PARENTS CAN DO:**

- Hold meetings in their homes.
- Help with project work.
- Serve on committees to help plan and conduct events.
- Share special talents and skills.
- Encourage record keeping.
- Help members get to meetings and events.
- Help members select, finance, and manage projects.
- Help secure other qualified adults to assist with products and activities.
- Attend 4-H meetings and events.

**PARENTS CAN RECEIVE SATISFACTION AS THEY:**

- See children grow from 4-H experiences.
- Learn new skills and knowledge.
- Meet new friends and families.
- Contribute to the growth of others.
METHODS TO RECOGNIZE PARENTS

- Give praise and say thank you.
- Provide public recognition of parents’ efforts.
- Have a special event for parents.
- Encourage members to recognize parents’ efforts.
- Include parents in 4-H news stories.

USING PARENT’S SKILLS:

- Supplements your abilities.
- Provides varied and enriching activities.
- Gives parents an opportunity to help in all phases of the program.
- Gives parents an opportunity to learn about 4-H.

LEADERS NEED TO KNOW

- Physical and mental limitations and capabilities.
- Social or religious habits which might influence programs.
- Special abilities and interests.
- Family situation.
- Other demands on the members’ time.

INFORM PARENTS + ASK PARENTS = PARENT COOPERATION