# 4-H for Twenty & Twenty-One Year Olds

4-H BC extended the senior age to include 20 and 21-year old members. They must have reached their 20th birthday and have not reached their 22cnd birthday by January 1st of the 4-H year.

These members are encouraged to make the 4-H program more than they ever imagined! Try an advanced agriculture project, explore something new and self-determined, test your skills as a junior leader and give something back to your 4-H club, promote 4-H in your region and reach out to those who haven't had the opportunity to be a part of the program. The 4-H program is designed to offer learning and growing opportunities at each level of development: the 4-H program offers the supportive environment to help meet those challenges.

20/21 year old members who are completing Senior Management Projects are encouraged to talk with their leaders and district to create senior member showmanship and project display opportunities.

20/21 year old members are eligible for Junior Leader Certificates, Senior Management Certificates, Project Pins, Honour Club Pin, and external 11/12 Credits.

\*Note: 20/21 year old members are not eligible for program senior skills such as Public Speaking, Demonstrations, Educational Displays or Speak and Show.

## Learn To Do By Doing

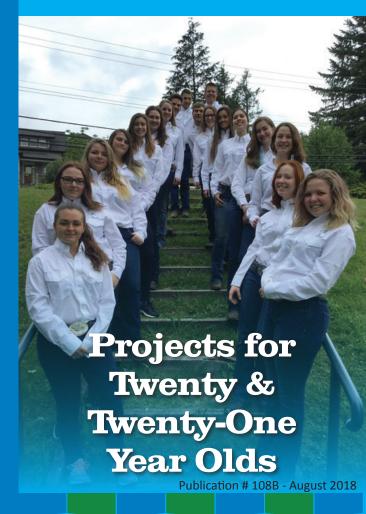


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## PROJECTS Cont.



Members wishing to continue in the 4-H program at the age of 20 and 21 may enroll in the following:

- Senior Management Project (differ for each project)
- Senior Self-Determined Project
- Junior Leadership

4-H BC Ambassador Program (must have been provincially selected for the program to be enrolled).

These are the only projects that will qualify for the enrollment of 20 and 21 year old members. This program decision is based on the learning and knowledge objectives of the 4-H program. The extension to the age of 21 will allow members to do some more challenging and higher level thinking projects in their last two years of the program. The 4-H BC Program recognizes the expertise these members have gained through the program and it challenges them to share their leadership and project skills with the younger members of the 4-H community.

This age group will also be encouraged to participate and apply for:

- Provincial 4-H Scholarships
- Provincial 4-H Senior Awards Program
- Weston Garfield Exchange

20 and 21 year olds will not be eligible for the Provincial 4-H Communications Program, that way members don't continue to repeat the same program giving them the opportunity to try new things.

## 1. Senior Management Unit of 4-H Projects

**Beef:** 3 or more heifers, cow/calf steers

**Dairy:** Herd of 4; 2 must be milking

Goat: Herd of 4; 2 must be milking

Rabbit: 5 animal breeding projector commercial

rabbit raising.

Swine: 6 feeder hogs or 3 sow/litter

**Sheep:** Flock of 4 or more ewes or a wool type

sheep flock or 6 feeder lambs.

**Clothing:** Designing and showing 4 advanced

garments.

Horse: Brood Mare and Foal

Forage/Pasture/Range Management for all animal projects.

Plus many other 4-H Senior Management Projects!

Check your specific project regulations.

10-12 month duration and the completion of

the Senior Management Record Book. Senior Management Projects must be approved by Youth

Development Staff.

### 2. Self-Determined Projects

Choose, plan, carry out, and evaluate any project of your choice.

10-12 month duration with a Self-Determined Project Book. A project plan must be approved by Youth Development staff.

#### 3. Junior Leadership Project

Choose, plan, carry out, and evaluate a project that will utilize the member's skills for the benefit of their 4-H club.

1-6 month duration with a completion of a Junior Leadership Record Book.

The project plan must be approved by Youth Development staff.

#### 4. The 4-H BC Ambassador Team

Apply to your 4-H region by the yearly selection deadline.

Successful applicants are members of the 20 member 4-H BC Ambassador Team. Ambassador training and individual ambassador duty planning and participation.

This has a duration of 2 years.