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Memo

To: Colorado 4-H

From: Jean Glowacki, Director, Colorado 4-H Youth Development

Date: October 30, 2020

Re: 4-H Community Club Membership in a County Other than the County of Residence

Youth participate in 4-H community clubs by belonging to a chartered 4-H club, usually in their county of residence. The policy for club membership in a county other than the county of residence is not new but the language and process for approval has been revised to better define the policy. This policy is included in our annual policy document which is posted on the website. Thanks to all of you who provided input for these revisions. Please let me know if you have any questions.

4-H Community Club Membership in a County Other than the County of Residence

Youth participate in 4-H community clubs by belonging to a chartered 4-H club, usually in their county of residence. The following policies are observed regarding club membership in a county other than the county of residence:

- Youth may join or re-enroll in only one county 4-H program at a time.
- Youth may participate as a 4-H member in only one county fair per enrollment year, and exhibit a
 given 4-H project in only one county per enrollment year.
- Membership can be transferred from one county to another only when the family moves, when the
 4-H member lives part of the year in one county and part of the year in another county, or as other
 situations arise that merit special consideration deemed appropriate by the County 4-H Agent and
 Colorado State 4-H Program Director.
- Written approval by the county Extension offices in both counties is required to facilitate the transfer
 after the listed criteria have been reviewed by the County Agents and approved. Copies of this
 approval should be issued to the members involved in the transfer or re-enrollment and retained in
 both County Extension Offices.
- When a situation exists that necessitates change of residence in mid-year, state and local 4-H fees will be assessed in both counties.





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- Youth who are granted approval for membership in a county other than their county of residence
 may not transfer to, or enroll in another county for a minimum of one 4-H year not including the year
 of transfer or enrollment.
- Should a county Extension program experience significant change that limits program delivery and
 opportunity, Extension office extended closure, or be under restrictions set forth by CSUE or the
 County, 4-H members residing in that county will not be allowed to join 4-H in another county unless
 they have been enrolled in another county's 4-H program prior to the significant change, closure or
 restriction of the Extension office in the county of their residence.
- Other situations or circumstances not listed above must be reviewed for approval by the County Extension Staff and the State 4-H Director.



