4-H Code of Conduct

The 4-H Code of Conduct applies to all activities coordinated through UAF Cooperative Extension Service 4-H including local, district, state and national activities.

While attending 4-H activities and events, I will:

• Obey all rules established by the 4-H program, the local club/program and all local, state and federal laws.
• Conduct myself in a courteous manner and be respectful of the authority of adult volunteers, youth leaders, 4-H staff and others in leadership roles.
• Not use, accept or carry alcohol, drugs or tobacco, or associate with or remain in the presence of others using the substances.
• Know that the possession or use of firearms is prohibited, except when part of an approved shooting sports educational program.
• Respect all persons, facilities and vehicles. I will be responsible for any damage caused resulting from my behavior.
• Help others have a pleasant experience by making every attempt to include all participants in activities.
• Be in the assigned program area (for example: dorms, cabins, programs, etc.) at all times.
• Use appropriate language and dress appropriately for each event.
• Acknowledge that searches of personal property may take place when there is reasonable suspicion of violations of law or policies.

While attending overnight events, I will also:

• Not leave the activity or event unless permission is secured from the adult in charge.
• Be in my sleeping area and honor established curfews.
• Not enter the sleeping areas of members of the opposite gender and will I not invite non 4-H participants to the sleeping areas.

I have read the 4-H Code of Conduct and agree to live up to these expectations while participating in 4-H programs and events. I am aware that my actions and decisions affect others. I understand that my failure to act with good character could result in consequences, including dismissal from the event or program. I am willing to accept appropriate consequences of my actions.

Member Signature ___________________________ Date __________________________

I have read the 4-H Code of Conduct and I support my child living up to the expectations it outlines. I also agree to live up to the expectations of the Code of Conduct while participating in 4-H programs and events. I will support the individual(s) in charge in maintaining appropriate behavior and in the development of good character. I understand that I am responsible for all costs incurred by early departure should my child be sent home and that I may be asked to forfeit all funds expended upon my and/or my child’s behalf during the event.

Parent /Guardian Signature ___________________________ Date __________________________

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