4-H Volunteer
Organizational Leader
Position Description

ROLE:
• To manage a 4-H club and serve as the contact person for its participants and the district Extension office.
• To guide and support 4-H members with club and project work.

RESPONSIBILITIES:
• Organize a 4-H club by coordinating leaders, members, and their families to determine a plan for the club's activities and to determine resources needed to carry out the plan.
• Assume responsibility for staying informed about current programs and involving club participants as appropriate.
• Assist district Extension staff plan effective youth programs relevant to the needs of youth in the area.
• Serve as an advocate for the youth needs in the community.
• Represent the Cooperative Extension Service in the community and provide linkages between Extension and the community.
• Attend leader training activities and/or consultations with the Extension staff to learn to better assist the 4-H club and program.
• Serve as a positive role model for youth.

BENEFITS:
• Liability insurance for official 4-H activities
• Leadership training opportunities
• Leadership recognition
• Travel opportunities
• Opportunities to meet and share ideas with other leaders
• Contribution as a positive youth development volunteer

TIME COMMITMENT:
• One year beginning October 1st.

QUALIFICATIONS:
• Ability to communicate with youth and adults
• An interest in people
• An interest in educational programs
• Ability to organize and coordinate activities.

RESOURCES TO HELP GET THE JOB DONE:
• University Extension 4-H faculty and staff
• Leader training experiences
• Printed materials, films, slides, and other teaching aids
• Other people with special skills and knowledge

RESPONSIBLE TO:
• University of Alaska district Extension 4-H faculty

We can never underestimate the influence or impact 4-H leaders have on youth, the face of our future. Your ordinary, everyday interaction with young 4-H’ers is a powerful tool by which many youth learn decision making and leadership skills. The job YOU are doing IS important! Who knows, you may be influencing a future inventor, scientist, or even President of the United States.