

## **Transfer of 4-H Membership**

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A youth who wishes to transfer membership in 4-H from one county to another (including across state lines) must:

- 1. Initiate a request and discuss the situation with the 4-H Youth Development professional in their current county of residence.
- 2. A transfer will be considered for the following reasons:
  - a. A change in the child's families' permanent residence; from current county to a second county identified by the 4-H member
  - b. Through a legal and/or court decision such as in parental custodial situations or adoption/guardian proceedings that requires a change in residence
- 3. The 4-H professionals in the current place of residence will take the leadership to discuss the situation with the 4-H professionals in the county that the individual wishes to transfer to.
- 4. This policy refers to transfer of 4-H membership only. Any participation in activities, events, etc. would fall under the timetables and deadlines as established in the county of transfer.
- 5. Consideration for a membership transfer should be given only in situations where a positive educational experience will result that would otherwise not be possible. Any transfer motivated by perceived competitive or sale advantage, any transfer due to controversial issues, or similar motivations will not be seen as justified reasons for transfer consideration and should be automatically rejected by the 4-H professionals involved.

Note: In the case of a family owning residences in two or more counties, the permanent residence county will be determined by the public-school system in which the 4-H member would be enrolled.

