

## **Petition for 4-H Membership Transfer**

EXCERPT FROM OK 4-H RULES & GUIDELINES: 4-H membership may only be held in one county.

- A member/family may complete a "Petition for Membership" form to request 4-H affiliation in a county other than where they live or go to school public, home, private, charter, online, etc. The petition must be mutually approved by Extension staff in EACH county involved. The signed agreement will be kept on file in each Extension office.
- In some events affiliated with 4-H, but not managed by 4-H, such as county fairs and livestock shows, exhibitors may be required to be residents and/or students in the county where competing. It is the family's responsibility to check with the governing body for specific guidelines.
- If a county does not offer a particular project, a youth may cross county lines to participate in educational programs in a project area but may not join that county's competitive teams. However, he/she may compete representing his/her home county.
- When a 4-H member moves, youth will:
  - 1. Request a transfer of membership from one county to another within the state of Oklahoma or
  - 2. Enroll in Oklahoma 4-H when transferring from another state.

At the time enrollment is filed in the new county, all membership rights in the former county/state are surrendered. Oklahoma 4-H membership transfers without an additional program fee. If the program fee has not been paid for the current program year, it must be paid to the new county at the time of the transfer. If "length" of membership is required for participation in a specific activity in the new county, membership time in the former county is considered when the new/transfer of enrollment is completed in a timely fashion.

 When a 4-H member's parents live in separate counties, the youth must declare membership in one county and the family must notify the Extension office in both counties where custody and residency is shared. Even when custody is jointly shared, youth may not exhibit or compete in 4-H activities in two counties.

The youth's parents' court decree governs determination of the custodial parent. If this is not present, the person who claimed the child on his/her federal and state income tax the previous year generally is considered to be the custodial parent.

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Families are responsible for being knowledgeable of the **Oklahoma 4-H Rules & Guidelines** in regards to membership and working in cooperation with County Extension Educators.

We the family <u>have</u> read the text box located to the left on this petition.

Family email address

## County in which the family lives

County in which the family/child goes to school

County where membership is being transferred

Name of 4-H member(s) being transferred:

Please briefly, yet thorough describe why the petition for transfer is being submitted.