Instructions for Completing the
Silver Guard Achievement Pin Application

Please follow the instructions below to assure that the pin application is completed properly to avoid a denial.

✔ Complete your Name, Age (as of January 1) and Club.

Requirements:
1. Check the blank. Fill in the year you received the silver pin. If you do not know, contact the Extension Office.

2. Check the blank. Write down the number of exhibits. (If you attended more than one of the listed events, you can combine your exhibits for a total number - do not break it down per event). List the event(s) you exhibited in.

3. Check the blank. Mark the type of presentation, the title of the presentation and the specific date it was given. (All must be completed to count).

4. Check the blank. Fill in the number of meetings held and the number you attended. If you do not know how many meetings you attended, contact the secretary of your club.

5. Check the blank.

6. Must be a community service project through 4-H. Projects that can count here include: Mitten Tree, Operation Christmas Child, Food Drive, other club or county-wide service projects.

Optional Requirements: (make sure the blank is checked for all the optionals you are claiming).
1. Events that count include: Public Speaking, Demonstration/Illustrated Talk, Project Talk, Show and Tell, Gavel Games, Model Meeting, Dramatics, Vocal, Instrumental, Piano, and/or Pickle Power. (Be as specific as possible).

2. Activities that can count here include: Fashion Revue, Shepherd’s Lead, Specific Judging Contests (FCS, Photography, Crops, Horticulture, Poultry, Livestock), Clover Block Workshop (list specific project session you attended), Spring Livestock Shows, Dog Shows and/or Dog quiz bowl contests, Horse bowl/hippology contests, Photo Family Fun Day, Wichita Lawn and Garden Show (horticulture and photography), Shooting Sports Contests and/or camps, SpaceTech Experience, Kansas All Breeds Dairy Show, Kansas State Fair (be specific: fashion revue, dog show, horse show, etc), District Horse Show, Geology Field Trip.

3. Complete the type of judging (FCS, Livestock, Photography, Poultry, Crop, and/or Horticulture). List the date attended (month and year will be fine if you do not have the exact date).

4. Events that can count here include (cannot use an event that you have already used above): All events listed in #2 plus, Achievement Banquet, Project Leader Training, County 4-H Club Days, Ski Trip, Exchange Trip, Family Fun Night, Farm Safety Day Camp, Jr. Leader Connection, Recognition Luncheon, 4-H Carnival/Enrollment Fair, Youth Leadership Forum, Regional Club Days, Kansas City Global Conference, Ambassador Training, Discovery Days, 4-H Camp, Kansas State Fair.
5. Suggestions include: Superintendent or assistant superintendent at Spring Show, Spring Livestock Day, County Fair, or 4-H Fair; Door monitor, judging contest assistant, committee member (help with clean up/set up) at club days; work in concession stand at 4-H Fair; serve as an assistant at the fair such as clerking for a judge, helping with foods judging (pictures, ribbon stickers, etc), Fashion Revue Committee, ringman, weigh-in help, etc; Any other event that you served as an assistant or leader. Be specific.

6. This means that you were the “Jr. Leader” or assistant for a project. There was another leader that you assisted. You do not have to be enrolled in leadership for this to count or be listed on the club's leader list.

7. Offices that count here include: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Historian, Parliamentarian, Song Leader, Recreation Leader, Photographer, etc. Any office that you held in your club will count (some clubs have different officer positions than what is listed here).

8. You must have served as the chairman on this committee, not just a member. This means you were in charge and got the ball rolling for your club.

9. County committees include: Finance (development fund), Promotion, Club Days, Ice Cream Social, Spring Show/Spring Livestock Day, Fairboard, PDC, Mitten Tree, 4-H Carnival, Jr. Leader Connection, Achievement Banquet, Recognition Luncheon, Invitational Spring Beef/Sheep Show. Although your club may have a committee with the same name, you must have been a member of the “county” committee to count here.

10. You must have attended at least 1 meeting in order to count this. Contact the Extension Office for the number of meetings you attended if you cannot remember.

11. County-wide organizations include: Fairboard, 4-H Council, and Jr. Leaders. You must have served as an officer to count here.

12. Must be a 4-H or Extension sponsored day camp such as: Summer Adventure Day Camp or Farm Safety Day Camp.

13. Remember not to count an event or activity that you have already used above. Suggestions here include: Discovery Days, Kansas Youth Leadership Forum, Kansas City Global Conference, Geology Field Trip, KSU Livestock Judging Camp, Horse Panorama, etc. This should be a state activity that included an overnight stay. Livestock shows do not count here.

14. Suggestions include: swine ear notching, making a bracelet, parliamentary skill, paper airplanes, etc. It must include involvement from club members (more than 1 or 2) and should coincide with your office (parliamentarian) or project you are enrolled in.

15. You can only count this if you actually worked with your buddy, such as: reminded them of meetings, assisted them with record books, assisted them with general 4-H questions, helped them understand the club meetings, explained 4-H events to them, etc.

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16. This means your name should have appeared in the previous year's Achievement Banquet program as either the county champion or the blue award winner for a project. This is based on your record books, not exhibits at the fair. Honorable mention does not count.

17. This must be on your 4-H work, meaning, a presentation about a project you are enrolled in, a fundraiser, promoting 4-H or an event, or a service project you are working with. This can also include a radio spot that you did to promote an event or 4-H in general. This does not include putting up a display or doing a musical presentation (unless you are enrolled in Performing Arts).

18. Must be on a state team such as: State Fair judging team, meat judging team, livestock judging team, photo or hort judging team at Wichita Garden Show, etc.

19. This could be a project club, 4-H afterschool group, or a new 4-H club.

20. This really only applies to livestock. Must be at a state, regional or national show. You must have been there in person to exhibit, not just sent livestock.

21. Remember not to use an event already used above. Entering an item at the state fair does not count. Must be a state event you attended and participated in. Suggestions include: State Fair Fashion Revue, State Fair Dog Show, Dog Conference, Horse Panorama, Youth Leadership Forum, Discovery Days, Spring Livestock Show, 4-H Ambassador Training, Photo Fun Day, Judging Contests, SpaceTech Experience, Kansas All Breeds Dairy Show, Camps, etc.

22. This must be a 4-H or Extension sponsored committee such as: Camp Action Team, Dairy Action Team, Horse Action Team, Aerospace Action Team, etc. Can also include State Youth Council and State 4-H Advisory.

23. Must have gone on the trip.

24. Must have hosted someone.

25. Must have attended CWF.

26. Must be a community service project through 4-H. Projects that can count here include: Mitten Tree, Operation Christmas Child, Food Drive, other club or county-wide service projects. Remember not to use the same one you used in #6 Requirements.

27. Must have been a contestant, not just a spectator.

28. This is an exhibit that does not require the 4-H member to be present, such as: Foods, Clothing, Arts and Crafts, Heritage Arts, Photography, Woodworking, SpaceTech, etc.

 ✓ 4-H Member needs to sign and date.

 ✓ 4-H Leader needs to sign and date.

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MEMBER ACHIEVEMENT PLAN -- VI

SILVER GUARD PIN

Application Form

To receive the Silver Guard, complete, during the current year, requirements 1 thru 6 as listed below and 9 of the optional requirements for the Silver Guard Achievement Pin. Check (X) in the column at left when you have completed each requirement and fill in each blank with appropriate information. You may receive one Achievement pin a year. Each event/activity can only be used one time.

Name: _______________________________________ Age: __________________

Club: _________________________________________________________________________

__ 1. Have received the Silver Achievement Pin. Year received: _____________

__ 2. Exhibit one or more of your projects at a club tour, club exhibit day, the county fair or an event similar to a county fair but with another title. (4-H Fair, Spring Show, Spring Livestock Day, Dog Show, etc.)

   Number of exhibits: __________ Event(s): ________________________________

__ 3. Present part of a program for at least one regularly scheduled meeting of your 4-H club.

   Type of presentation: □Project Talk □Demonstration □Illustrated Talk
   □Public Speaking □Other (please specify)___________________________

   Title of presentation: ________________________________________________

   Date: _________________
   (m\d\y)

__ 4. Attend a majority (one over one-half) of the regularly scheduled meetings of your 4-H club or group.

   Number of meetings held: ______
   Number of meetings you attended: ______

__ 5. Complete 4-H Record Book and give it to your 4-H Leader.

__ 6. Participate in a community service project.

   Name of project: _________________________________________________________
OPTIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SILVER GUARD PIN

___ 1. Take part in the County 4-H Day as a contestant.
   
   Event in which you took part: ______________________________________________

___ 2. Take part in a county-wide or multi-county project related activity or event other than those already listed above (including requirements) such as: Fashion Revue, Shepherd’s Lead, Photo Extravaganza, Photo Fun Day, Spring Livestock Shows, etc.
   
   Event in which you participated: ____________________________________________

___ 3. Take part in a judging school or contest beyond the local club.
   
   Type of Judging (Home Ec, Livestock, Photo, etc.): ____________________________
   Date: ____________________ (m\y)

___ 4. Take part in a county-wide 4-H or multi-county 4-H event other than those listed above (including requirements).
   
   Event in which you participated: ____________________________________________

___ 5. Serve in a leadership role at a county 4-H event, i.e. 4-H Day, County Fair, etc.
   
   Event at which you served: ________________________________________________

___ 6. Serve as an assistant to a project leader.
   
   Project in which you served: ________________________________________________

___ 7. Serve as an officer in your 4-H club.
   
   Office held: ______________________________________________________________

___ 8. Serve as a chairman of a committee in your 4-H club.
   
   Name of committee: ________________________________________________________

___ 9. Serve as a member of a county 4-H committee.
   
   Name of committee: ________________________________________________________

___ 10. Serve as a member of the County 4-H Council.
    
   Number of meetings attended: ____________

___ 11. Serve as an officer in a county-wide 4-H organization.
    
   What organization: ______________________ Office held: ______________________

___ 12. Serve as a counselor at day camp.
    
   Name of camp at which you served: _________________________________________
13. Participate in a state 4-H event such as Discovery Days. (4-H Camp is **NOT** considered a State event).

Name of event in which you participated: _____________________________________

14. Teach a skill at your club meeting with participation by members. (More than a demonstration.)

Name of project taught: ___________________________ Date: _____________________

15. Act as a buddy to a new 4-H member throughout the year.

Name of your buddy member: ________________________________________________

16. Receive county champion or blue award recognition for your record book at the County Achievement Banquet.

Recognition received: __________________ Project Received In: _____________________

17. Make one or more public presentations of 4-H work to schools, service clubs, (such as Lions, Kiwanis, Rotary); or make a radio or TV presentation featuring 4-H work.

Type and Title or Subject of presentation: ________________________________

18. Take part in a state judging contest as a member of a county judging team.

Type of contest: __________________________________________________________

Date: ______________________ (m\d\y)

19. Assist in organizing a new 4-H club or group, a county-wide project or a special interest group, or a junior leader or older member organization.

Club or group which you helped organize: ___________________________________

20. Exhibit at a state, regional, or national show such as the Kansas State Fair, Kansas Junior Dairy Show, National Western Livestock, American Royal Livestock Show, Kansas Junior Livestock Show, or other similar shows.

Fair or show which you exhibited: __________________________________________

Name of exhibit: __________________________________________________________

21. Participate in a state 4-H event such as: a demonstration contest; fashion revue, dog show; dog bowl, horse bowl, Youth Leadership Forum, etc. (this requirement goes beyond just exhibiting at the state fair.)

Event in which you participated: ____________________________________________

22. Serve on an area or state 4-H committee or action team.

Name of committee: _______________________________________________________
23. Participate as a delegate in a 4-H exchange trip or program with another county, state, or country.

   Trip or program in which you participated: ________________________________

24. Serve as a host to a delegate in a recognized 4-H exchange trip or program with another county, state, or country.

   Trip or program in which you participated: ________________________________


   Date attended: ________________________________ (m\y)

26. Take part in a community service project (other than listed in #6 requirement.)

   Name of project: _______________________________________________________

27. Take part in Regional 4-H Day as a contestant.

   Events: ______________________________________________________________

28. Enter a passive exhibit at the Kansas State Fair. Exhibit ________________________

I have personally prepared this application and believe it to be correct.

Signed ________________________________ Date __________________
   (4-H'er)

Recommended Approval ________________________________ Date ________________
   (4-H Leader)