


TO: Future 4-H Volunteer

FROM: Kim Belanger   
Asotin County 4-H Coordinator

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SUBJECT: 4-H Volunteer Information

I am very excited to hear of your interest in becoming an Asotin County 4-H Volunteer/Leader. As a 4-H Leader, you have the opportunity to share your knowledge and life experiences with today's youth. 4-H Leaders help our youth to reach their full potential; to become better citizens; and to build a stronger community.

**Step 1** in becoming a 4-H Leader requires you to complete and return the 4-H Volunteer Forms to the Asotin County Extension Office. Once we receive your information, we will enter it into the 4-H enrollment system and you will begin to receive mailings and notifications for upcoming 4-H events, deadlines and updates. Staying up-to-date on upcoming events and deadlines will help make being a 4-H volunteer less stressful.

**Step 2** involves going through new volunteer training. New 4-H Volunteers are required to complete the WSU 4-H Volunteer training online module. They are also required to attend a New Leaders Training Session which will be held at the WSU Asotin County Extension Office later this fall. The online training will take about 90-minutes and can be done at your home computer. To access the trainings, visit <http://4hvolunteerelearning.wsu.edu/volunteertraining/course.html> and sign in with your name and state. The password is "volunteer". New 4-H Volunteers are also required to watch the Put the Child First video. This is available online at <http://universalvoltraining.wsu.edu/>, or we have a CD in our office that you may check out. We will send you notification of the dates and times for the in-person New Leaders Training in October or November.

**Step 3-** Finally, it's a good idea to become familiar with the Asotin County 4-H website as soon as possible. Our website is located at: <http://extension.wsu.edu/asotin/>. Information specific to the current Asotin County members and volunteers is located under the 4-H Youth Development tab. Our 4-H website is the best way to receive the most current 4-H information on upcoming events held in our county, along with other Washington State 4-H programs and activities that are held all over Washington.

**Step 4-** Attend the Asotin County 4-H Leader's Council meetings and committee meetings that are held each month.

Please enjoy the 4-H volunteer information that we have enclosed for you. We look forward to working with you as a 4-H leader for many years to come! If you have any questions, feel free to contact us Monday through Friday, from 8:00 to 12:00 a.m. and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. We are closed on most major holidays.

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