



2023
LITTLE CHIEF AND HAND TO HEART
AWARD APPLICATION



Due by 5pm on May 4th 2023, in the Flathead County MSU Extension Office

The Little Chief and Hand to Heart are Leadership Awards given to one Flathead County 4-H senior member and one Flathead County 4-H junior member each year. These recipients have demonstrated outstanding leadership skills, personal development, and service to others throughout the past year (July 1, 2022 to present). Little Chief/Hand to Heart Award represent the goals and values expressed in the 4-H Pledge. Little Chief/Hand to Heart Award recipients have excelled in citizenship, leadership and community service through 4-H and other activities.

Little Chief Award: Leadership Award for senior 4-H members. Applicants for the Little Chief Award must be 14-19 years of age as of October 1, 2022.

Hand to Heart Award: Leadership Award for junior 4-H members. Applicants for the Hand to Heart Award must be 8-13 years of age as of October 1, 2022.

Application Requirements: Applications should be completed in essay format. Applications can be typed double spaced or handwritten in pen. Applications are limited to 1-2 pages handwritten or typed double spaced (not including supporting documentation). 1 additional page may be used for supporting documentation such as pictures, newspaper clippings, etc. Youth should complete their own application with minimal assistance. The focus of the application is the youth's participation in citizenship, leadership, and community service activities during the past year from July 1, 2022 to the present. Applicants should provide 1-2 examples of their experience in each of the three categories of citizenship, leadership, and community service. Each example should be accompanied with 1-2 specific details of something learned from the experience. Examples can include activities outside of 4-H. Applicant and Club Leader signatures are required.

Interview Requirements: After submitting a completed Award Application, applicants will be required to interview for this award. Interviews will be held on May 18, 2023 and the MSU Extension Office located at 1108 S. Main St. Ste 4 in Kalispell. Applicants will be notified of a specific interview time on or before May 9, 2023. Dress as if you are going to a job interview. During the interview, applicants will give a 3-5 minute presentation about their involvement and accomplishments in the specific areas of Citizenship, Leadership, and Community Service from July 1, 2022 to present. Presentations can include digital or visual material. Digital presentations should be emailed to dacooper@flathead.mt.gov or delivered to the MSU Extension Office at least 1 day prior to the interview.

Important Dates: May 4, 2023- Little Chief/Hand to Heart Awards Application Due
May 18, 2023- Little Chief/Hand to Heart Interviews

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