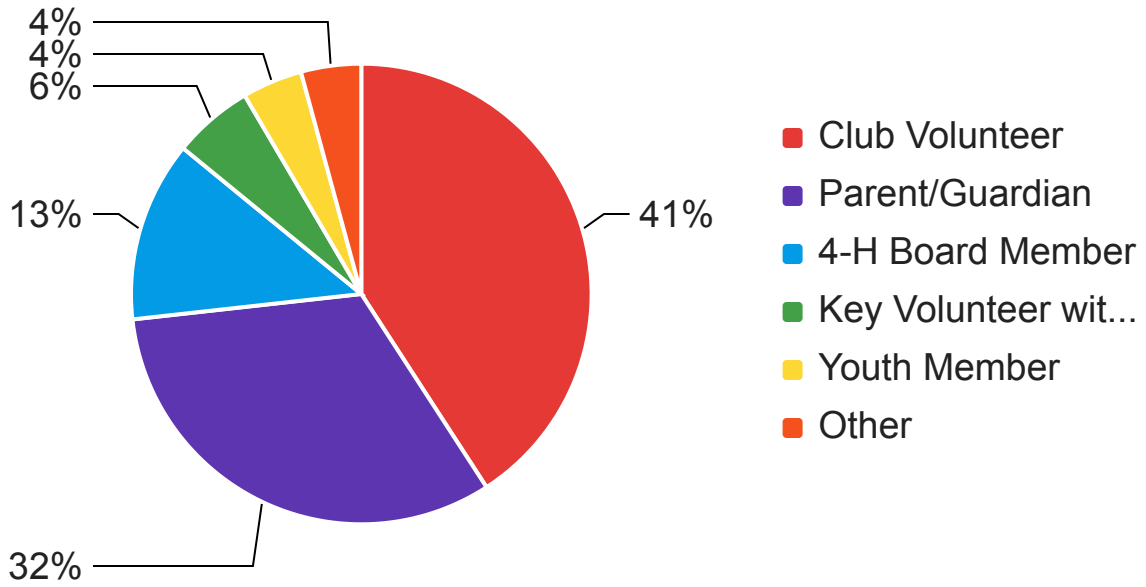
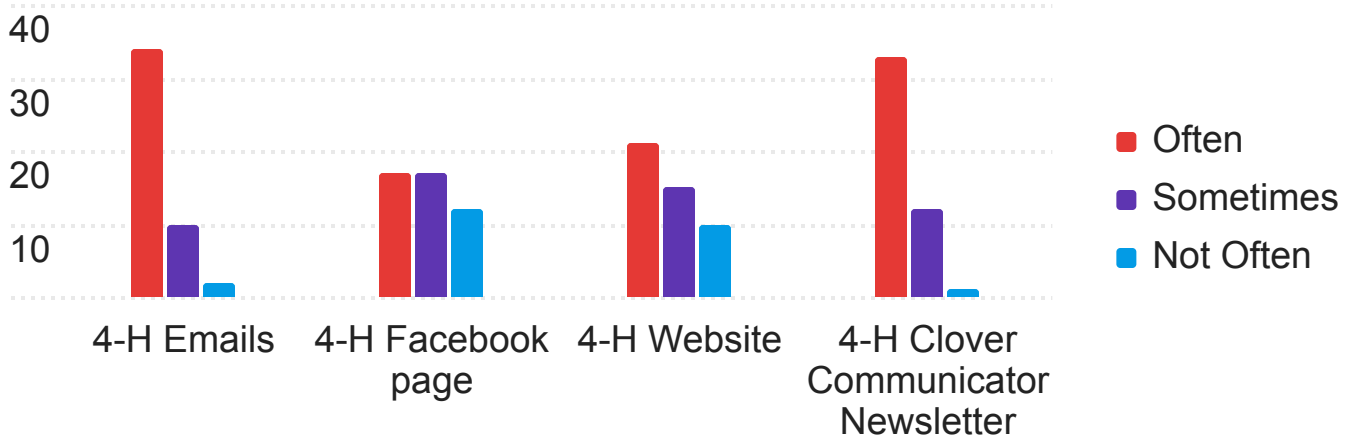


Respondents



Communication Usage



Suggestions for how we can improve our communication efforts.

Things needed were not easily communicated to the area of 4H I participate in.

The Clover communicator is too long. I take the time to skim the whole thing and read the parts that pertain to my family, but I've talked to lots of families who don't even bother because it's so daunting and hard to read.

None

4H App

Individual Advisory, Educational, and Endowment Board Facebook pages run by board members

A lot of people aren't receiving email communications including non organizational leader advisors , confirm they are all accounted for

Make sure information is sent out on time and correct-dates, times, places etc.

Have a volunteer meeting that we can all meet together every 3 months (or so) to gather more information from more experienced 4H leaders and volunteers

More training for advisors.

Not really

Ask people to read the communication that actually comes out to them.

This was our first year, so I was very confused on how to fill out a lot of questions on forms. If you could make a class or a break down summary on how to fill out certain forms for new families that would probably be extremely helpful.

keep up the good work on all aspects of communication.

Possibly more emails for special events

None

no

Thought communication was better this year.

Can you consider ways to put more information on the FB or streamline the webpage so the CC's aren't 40+ pages long? Those are just too long to be efficient.

N/A

I did not receive some emails as we got closer to fair, such as; DUNF form, and special awards invitation.

no

Not at this time

Overall Feedback

Animal schools are not what they could or should be. Experienced members find them boring and are left out as they are for new members, yet required as something everyone should attend.

It was good

I think the sensory space was fantastic and needs to come back next year. It helped a lot of kids and teens. The volunteer dinner was awful. The food choices were lacking. The idea that we had to invite and recognize so many kids/teens was disappointing. Volunteers do so much work throughout the entire year for the kids and the fact that we couldn't have 1 night for just us to be recognized and thanked was so frustrating.

animal schools were scheduled earlier this year, which was nice for preparations. but could they be saturday afternoons? the saturday mornings conflicted with other scheduled club events so we lost many members participations to animal schools.

is there a way to work with junior fair to have all premiums sent to club instead of the weekend pick ups? so many members never pick up their premiums as they do not want to wait in long lines, and then if parents do not drive out to fair in september they lose them. if premiums were summarized, itemized, and sent as one check to the club, the club could cash and distribute funds to members so everyone receives their premium for their work. this could also potentially help provide extra time to junior fair staff and extension staff for checking over distributions as they could be mailed after fair. Once received, if errors were checked, the club could get back to the office for any corrections.

We love 4H and what it teaches our kids, but here are some things that still need to be worked out that all deals with communication and organization. I know there is ALOT but it takes too many years to get it all , and that causes yo to loose kids in your group if you don't have an experienced "mentor" to help you

I was surprised this year when I was approached about summer enrollment. I didn't know there was such a thing. It was very difficult dealing with that because it was a family of 4 children. First, I was a little embarrassed to tell them they had to pay their dues for that short period of time. And I felt I had to take time away from the kids who have been here all year to get those 4 up to date, which was very difficult. There was a lot of emails and texting and finding answers that I did not know for them. I just really don't think it's necessary to have that. I hated to turn them down but I don't know that I would do that again.

I would really love to see more of the rules that are in the fair book followed as an example....it states NO tennis shoes, as they are allowed in show ring with the consequences but I along with other parents are seeing kids wear them with nothing being done. It seems only certain rules are being followed with consequences. If you put the rule in the book then it needs to be followed!!

Overall it is very well run. I do believe that individual meetings could use improvement, organization, keep to a set timeframe, you're not productive when you are sitting in a meeting for 3 hours.

Nothing at this time.

We had a ton of fun this year and learned a lot from several people. We can't wait until next year

Beginners are really kind of lost unless the club remembers to tell them the extra things. As beginners, we don't know what we don't know. For example, by reading the clover communicator I found out if there are still life projects in the club the club is required to sign up for barn duty. Our club has still life projects, but they are preoccupied with bringing livestock to fair. So I asked about still life barn duty. They said, "oh yes, we are supposed to do that, do you guys want to?" I was more than happy to, but we really had no idea what barn duty for the still life barn was, I eventually found the information somewhere (that we were supposed to sweep and such). We showed up at our time, had no idea where brooms were, or that you had to put a deposit on brooms, or that you had to sign in. We found this out by seeing a kid carrying a broom and following him to the jr. Fair office. (Creepy, I know) but it would be nice if that info would've been put out, I didn't even know I needed to ask about any of those things.

Everyone in the office does a great job of making sure all my questions are answered. I would like to see a way that we could better prepare our Youth to meet standards for state fair judging. Youth are not prepared to compete with their poster projects or speeches. Thank you for all you do to make Lorain County 4-H great

Re-evaluate the premiums....kids should be rewarded for each class they participate in (like they used to), placements 1st-3rd can receive a higher premium.

Don't have entries due the same week that extension office staff is away at 4H camp!!! Have more than one person that can help answer questions regarding entries.

Dogs need many fun shows or activities for dogs to interact as much as possible before fair judging. Judging needs to be during fair not before.

Sewing classes for more advanced members

None

Please shorten the clover communicator!

Greatful for the Extension staff and all they do for the Lorain County 4-H Program. I think the changes to the organizational structure have been good and are helping to get new volunteers more involved.

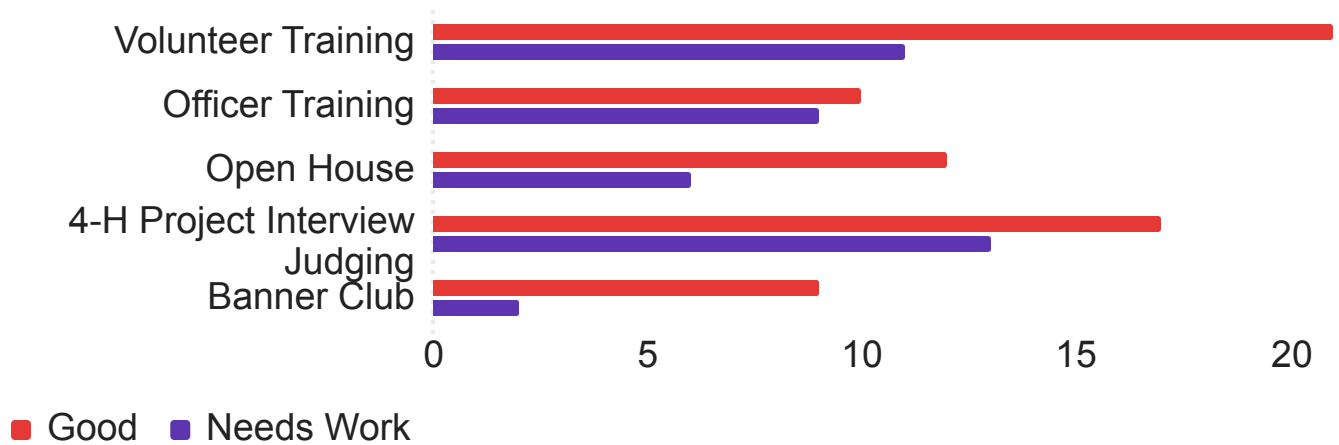
I would like to see improvements in the animal project book area. I think an optional skillathon and book judging is not sufficient enough to test the participant's knowledge of their project, particularly when some books are the same each year. I'd like to see either a required skillathon and book judging or some type of project interview judging instead.

Very pleased with 4h

Maybe have some events that kids could be in that don't involve only animals, they do have the cake decorating but can a few events be added, like an ugly cake contest, a cupcake contest, pie contest etc.

na

County Wide 4-H Events- Advisory



You indicated that your experience with **Volunteer Training** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

Rules for the kids

Informative

It was very well run

Cliverbud ideas

parent meeting information

Information about child abuse awareness and reporting

Did the online option- was nice to learn about the club management/planning resources that were shared.

All the different programs

Learned new things

That was too long ago to remember

Establish report with new families

You indicated your experience with **Volunteer Training** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

More opportunities

Make the trainings relevant

Still didn't find the info we needed for the upcoming year

have fun activities

Dates for what covered clearer

It's not engaging.

We need to be more efficient with our volunteers time. Look at ways to combine trainings with other activities going on.

More updates - need to stay local .

You indicated that your experience with **Officer Training** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

Communication with others

Exactly what responsibilities are

Networking for kids

You indicated your experience with **Officer Training** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

More opportunities

There wasn't specific training for each officer. That would be really helpful

There are always ways to improve setting our officers up for success including more inter active hands on learning . Mock situations , and mock meetings

have fun activities

Didnt provide guidance on specific offices

Always the same....change it up.

You indicated that your experience with **Open House** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

I enjoyed the youth teaching potential new members and their families about the program

Lots to explore

Able to make connections to new people.

Project areas

Resources

Networking

That there are so many opportunities for youth in the program.

You indicated your experience with **Open House** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

Not everyone can attend

bigger space

Seemed to be a little disconnected this year and we had several duplicate things going on. Would like to see a joint meeting between the committees to make it efficient and informational

More ways to get attendance up. It was somewhat boring.

You indicated that your experience with **Project Interviews** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

My child enjoys judging and the feedback they receive

Tell them what they need to work on. Not happy about some judges being related to the kid they were judging.

Early judging went smoothly

4-H members for the most part were prepared for the judging.

Organized

How to be confident in presenting

didn't hear any negativity about judging this year

Fairly organized

Attended as a judge- judging was adequately organized. I think families are still struggling with understanding project requirements

The kids need to prepare

We learned what to expect next year

You indicated your experience with **Project Interviews** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

do all judges receive same trainings so they know scoring options? several members judges did not know about outstanding grades

Not sure what judges want to make it a great experience for kids

Clearer indications of what type of poster elements would get certain grades, it seemed very subjective

Ask someone to judge more than one day ahead of time

I feel all projects should have an interview component.

Work on getting judges that actually have knowledge of the area they are judging.

You indicated that your experience with **Banner Club** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

NA

That advisors must pay attention to what is in the secretarie's report as prove that a club did the things they said they did

That is is important to keep good records

How to do paperwork

Need to put a deadline for the paperwork on the front page.

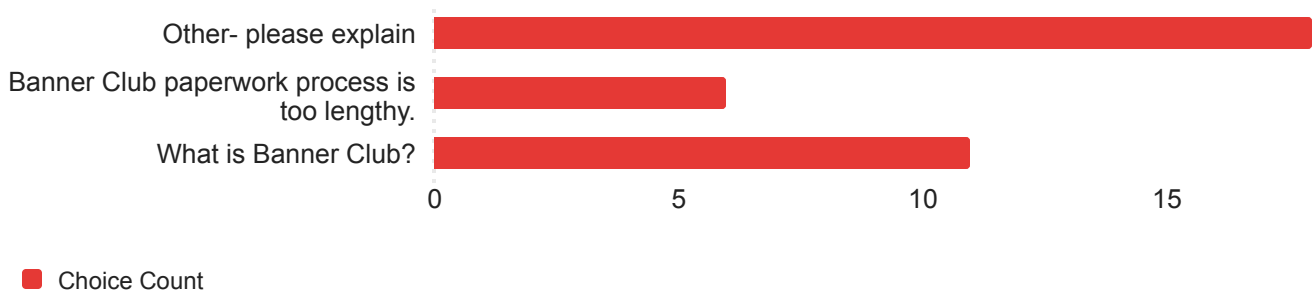
You indicated your experience with **Banner Club** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

taken away points even though in minutes...perhaps reviewers did not read thoroughly? also difficult to receive points for some things that take place after the books have to be turned in but in same 4-H year. Maybe offer flag as an option? We are not sure what to do with all the flags received.

Scoring needs updated

Select a field

Barriers to Banner Club Participation



Barriers to Banner Club Participation- Other- please explain

Idk

It's not my place to make the decision

We may have. I'm not sure

Not enough information given to participate

I have no idea

Not a club member

.Not in an Org club

not enough willing to participate

Our club is involved in a lot of other things and this is not something they are interested in participating in

We don't have a treasury

We did participate

Unknown

It was the choice of the clubs'

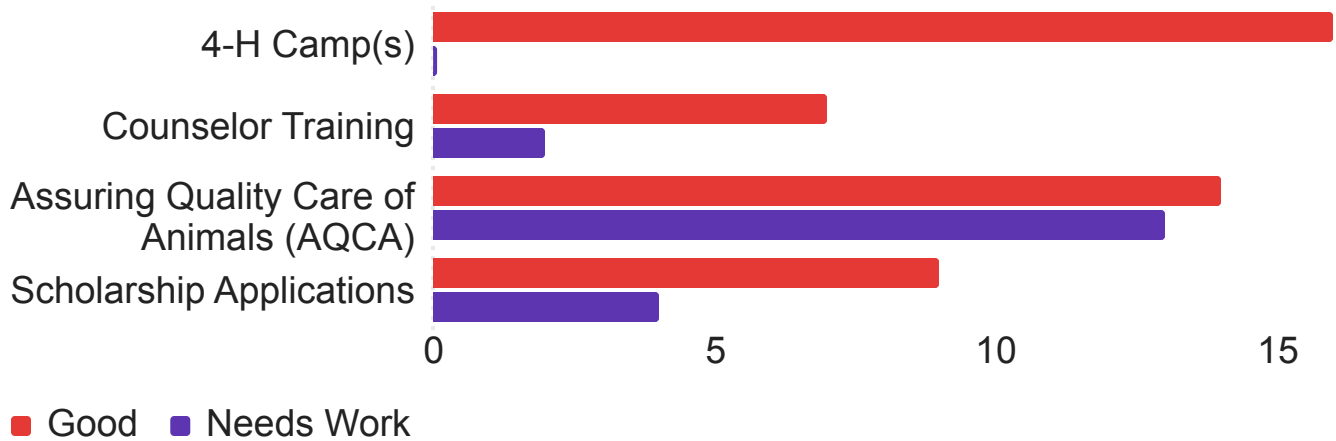
Paperwork is too much for the advisors to complete. Also our members do not care if we participate. The plaque and flag is an insignificant prize to them.

I dont really know what to do

Our club did participate. I just didn't have anything to do with it.

I did not participate

Other County Wide 4-H Events



You indicated that your experience with **4-H Camps** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

My boys absolutely loved camp

My kids loves the experience

Made memories

My child made a lot of friends

Good learning experience

how to go with the flow when weather is a problem

My daughter had a great time as a first year camper and is interested in becoming a counselor now

My kids enjoyed themselves

Kids have been counselors and campers for years, they thoroughly enjoy going

You indicated your experience with **4-H Camps** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

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You indicated that your experience with **Counselor Training** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

My child learned a lot

Na

how to incorporate all levels of youth so they have a good experience

Daughter enjoyed the diversity of the trainings

You indicated your experience with **Counselor Training** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

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You indicated that your experience with **AQCA** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

Had different dates to choose from

how to take care of animals

Many people inside the county, and other counties are realizing what is important for the animals they bring to fair.

I am the parent

Online opportunity

Having assigned times and someone to go with the kids who needed help was great.

We like the online version of AQCA. We find that to be a more educational offering than the in person

Animal welfare

Marketing

Record keeping

You indicated your experience with **AQCA** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

Took to long

Make it not so long or an online option

Feel like the kids are not learning much

Was run horribly for students with learning differences. Needs more work to help them understand

Very confusing first time around , and would be helpful if it pertained to your animal type

More explanations to the kids on what they were doing

not a good flow of how to do stations

The process is getting old, would like to see QA organized differently as to keep kids' interest more.

You indicated that your experience with **Scholarship Applications** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

My kids received scholarships which helped us send both of them to camp

It really helped out our family

how to fill out an application

Was a recommender at it was easy

4-H offers a variety of scholarships.

You indicated your experience with **Scholarship Applications** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

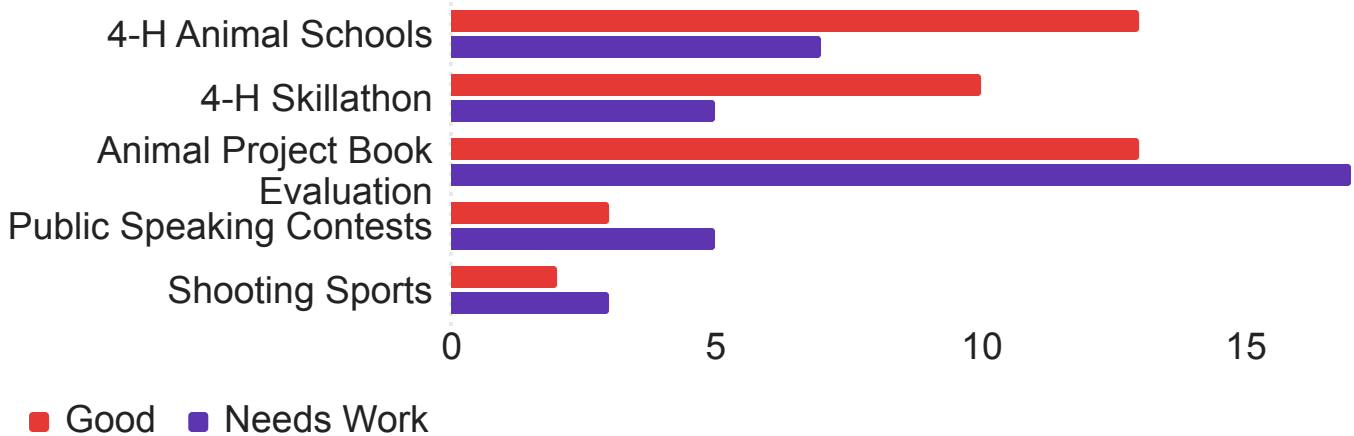
be sure applications are updated, as sometimes have incorrect due dates. also inconsistent due dates with clover communicator and applications

Not talked about enough

There needs to be defined parameters to for awarding the scholarship, too much is left for interpretation.

Needs to be more streamlined

County Wide 4-H Events- Educational Board



You indicated that your experience with **4-H Animal Schools** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

Learned a lot about showing at fair

They was fun. Need mire

Showing

The knowledge provided by the judges

how to show my animals

Good quality and multiple types

Love the ability for kids to learn when it is new

You indicated your experience with **4-H Animal Schools** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

For older members they are not helpful

Schools are not geared towards beginners at all, would love a walk through of how you go about bringing an animal to fair and a walk through of how judging takes place, examples of all the things needed to bring an animal to fair

They need to have them and be sure that they're led well.

The schools are great, they need to be a little more focused and not have such a small attendance opening. Groups can get unwieldy but if you have stations where everyone rotates through during the day it may allow for more people to attend including parents and advisors

Not many attend, take it out or improve it. If you attend once you won't go again.

You indicated that your experience with **Skillathon** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

My kids branched out and tried new sections.

My child enjoys skillathin in all aspects. And we think it plays an important role in project completion

I believe the Educational Board keeps working to make it a well oiled machine.

Na

How to read a feed tag

The stations were well run

Assisting with parts of animals

You indicated your experience with **Skillathon** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

Need more scheduling availability

More info about skillathon to new members.

You indicated that your experience with **Animal Project Book Evaluation** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

Timely turnaround

Clear and concise

I am the parent

Easy

I saw more consistency in book grades

The books seemed to be judged fairly this year unlike in the past.

Made clear notes back to member

Record

You indicated your experience with **Animal Project Book Evaluation** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

Books are too detailed and time consuming for animals

Not sure what judges really want

Have people realize the amount of work that is involved with that many books, and projects.

graders should grade the same across the board and not count off for not having the end of year items done

Same books and evaluation each year

Book grading is challenging when the rubrics are not available for folks to review. There needs to be more consistency in the book grading across species

Get people who know the individual project areas to grade the books. It should also be the same person(s) grading the same books each year. Book judging is NOT as good as it used to be when you had a group familiar with these projects.

You indicated that your experience with **Public Speaking** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

Need to find a way to get more kids involved

Na

You indicated your experience with **Public Speaking** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

low participation. no results provided to all participants - is there a way to post results in Clover Communicator so all know, even if they did not place?

Not promoted enough

better prizes

You indicated that your experience with **Shooting Sports** was good. Please share one thing that you learned and used from attending this event.

Well run with encouraging people

You indicated your experience with **Shooting Sports** needs improvement. Please share one way in which we can improve this event.

Information seemed to get out last minute frequently, if the program doesn't change (decorating a booth, walking in a parade) it would be helpful if that info is put out sooner