

4-H Definitions

Conducting Arkansas 4-H can be a challenging task, but figuring out what acronyms and language should not be part of the complexity. In order to make your job a bit easier, a list of 4-H terms and acronyms commonly encountered when providing quality 4-H youth development programs.

Acronyms	Terminology
AAE4-HA – Arkansas Association of Extension 4-H Agents. Professional organization for 4-H extension professionals.	4-H Foundation – Private organization that supports all 4-H programs.
AIMS – Arkansas Information Management System.	4-H Center – Located in Ferndale, AR this is a location for special programs and camps.
AOS – Arkansas Outdoor School. Programs held at the 4-H center focused on outdoor education.	Clubs - Groups of 6 or more youth that meet.
CEC – Advisory Board that helps guide the direction of programs in the county level.	-Project – Clubs that focus on specific project area.
CWF – 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus. Annual 4-H trip to Washington DC to learn leadership skills.	-Community -- Clubs with various projects.
EFNEP – Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program	Congressional Award – National recognition program offered through 4-H.
ES237 – Annual 4-H Statistical Report with our current 4-H enrollment information.	EXCEL – Experience the Challenge, Experience the Leadership. Program at the 4-H Center (Ropes courses)
IPOW – Individual Plan of Work. Submitted annually to guide work conducted by state employees.	In-Kind -- Donations of goods and services, not a cash donation
LRSO – Little Rock State Office. 2301 South University Little Rock, AR 72204	Mission Mandates – Three themes that 4-H conducts programs under. Include Healthy Living, Citizenship/Leadership, and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.
PA – Program Assistant – work under supervision of a county agent to provide 4-H support.	O-Rama – Events that showcase 4-H skills and talent at the State, District, and County level. (eg. Talks, demonstrations, competitive events)
STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics	Project -- Individual topics that a 4-H member works on.
TLC – Teen Leader Conference	Record Book -- 4-H competitive record book used to showcase project work.
WHEP – Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Practice.	SEEK – Science Enrichment Education for Kids is a homeschool educational opportunity at the 4-H center.
YHEC – Youth Hunter Education Challenge.	

4-H Policy Guidelines can be found at: <https://4h.uaex.edu/staff/default.aspx>

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