Oregon 4-H Youth Development Program Youth Code of Conduct

The well-being of all 4-H program participants is important. Everyone has responsibilities.

4-H is a positive youth development program. Therefore, when I participate in 4-H programs and events, I agree to . . .

1. Engage fully with a positive attitude and creative energy.
2. Be courteous to others, even if they're different from me.
3. Be cooperative. Encourage individuals. Help others. Support teamwork.
4. Be willing to ask an adult for guidance to make good decisions and take appropriate actions.
5. Use language that is respectful to others. (Swearing, harassment, and bullying are not allowed.)
6. Take care of the property I interact with, and assume responsibility for purposeful damage I may cause.
7. Wear appropriate clothing for program activity(s). Follow the specific dress code, if provided.
8. Be present and on time for all parts of the program. (I will notify the appropriate supervisor if I have a health or schedule problem.)
9. Use technology (ipods, mp3 players, game devices, cell phones, etc.) during free time, or in ways that contribute to the goals of the program.
10. Treat animals humanely and provide them appropriate care.
11. Not engage in Personal Displays of Affection (PDA). (It is distracting and inappropriate.)
12. Refrain from use of tobacco, marijuana, alcohol, or illicit drugs, or be under their influence while participating.
13. Follow safety policies of the Oregon State University Extension Service, and guidelines of the 4-H Youth Development Program, (such as: not leave the program area without permission from the program supervisor; be in assigned lodging during overnight activities; abide by curfew hours; remain in gender specific areas [no boy in a girl's room / no girl in a boy's room]; handle firearms only in secured, designated areas under the direct supervision of a trained 4-H Shooting Sports volunteer; not use fireworks), as well as safety policies established for a specific event.

I have read and agree to the above Code of Conduct. I understand that if I violate any part of this agreement, I may be sent home from a 4-H activity at the expense of my parent(s) or guardian(s). I also understand that if I cause personal or public safety concerns, I may lose my eligibility to participate in some future 4-H Youth Development events, and/or, lose my membership privileges.

_____ Date _____ _____ Date _____

Member Signature *Parent/Guardian Signature*

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