

## **MINI 4-H**

### **(County Only Project)**

Mini 4-H is a program designed to encourage positive development of children, kindergarten through second grade. The goal of Mini 4-H is to help young children explore friendships outside the family; explore the way in which things work; practice both small and large muscle control; and think about the ways people work together on projects.

The NON-COMPETITIVE learning environment for Mini 4-H includes:

1. Planned learning activities in which children are invited to be active and explore materials and ideas without the pressure of completing a specific project or exhibit.
2. The low adult/leader to child ratio allows time for adults/leaders to provide individual, positive encouragement and assistance.
3. Simple, interesting activities that are fun.
4. Encouragement of children to participate in a group activity by sharing and/or displaying their activity projects.
5. Rewards that are identical and/or ribbons of the same color for everyone.

**Mini 4-H members can exhibit one or more non-animal exhibits of their choice at the 4-H Fair.**

There are no specific guidelines, but mini-4-H members are encouraged to explore the projects offered through 4-H and exhibit something related to those. In addition, mini-4-H age members may exhibit rabbits per the Mini 4-H Rabbit Show rules and/or participate in beef, goat, horse, poultry, sheep, and swine mini showmanship classes per the Mini 4-H Livestock Showman rules.