

## Colorado 4-H Guidelines for Member and Volunteer Leaders Website Activities

As representatives of the Colorado 4-H Youth Development Program and CSU Extension, 4-H members and volunteer leaders shall conduct themselves in a professional and mature manner befitting the responsibilities of a World Wide Web author.

Each 4-H member and volunteer leader shall subscribe to the following guidelines concerning the websites, chat, e-mail, and other technological communications that are transmitted, posted, or willingly received while acting in a 4-H capacity.

**At no time** will members or volunteer leaders, acting on behalf of the 4-H program:

- Transmit, post, link to, or willingly receive correspondence, text, graphics, movies, sounds, or other media which contains: profanity, advocacy of the use or possession of illegal substances or alcoholic beverages, advocacy of the illegal use or the illegal possession of weapons, or solicitation or the advocacy of sexual misconduct.
  - Attempt to gain access to areas, information, servers, domains, or other material to which expressed permission has not been given. Also, at no time will members/volunteer leaders intentionally violate the laws governing copyrighted material.
  - Willingly harass others through the use of technology. Harassment by e-mail, chats, or otherwise shall not be tolerated. This includes, but is not limited to, harassment based upon race, color, national origin, religion, sex, physical or mental disability, medical condition (cancer-related or genetic characteristics), ancestry, marital status, age, sexual orientation, citizenship, or status as a covered veteran.
  - Misrepresent or assist someone else in misrepresenting his or her true identity to others through technology. Members/volunteer leaders will not claim to be or represent themselves as someone else. Those who represent the Colorado 4-H Youth Development Program through technology do so under their own identity.
  - Seek to promote specific religious orientations or political opinions on behalf of the Colorado 4-H Youth Development Program or CSU Extension. While members/volunteer leaders retain the right to advocate their own religious beliefs and political opinions acting as individuals, they will not advocate them under the representation of the Colorado 4-H Youth Development Program and CSU Extension.
- ❖ **Consequences:** Members or volunteer leaders willfully violating any of the guidelines will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Consequences of violating the guidelines may include:
- **Revocation** of authorization to author 4-H websites.
  - **Removal** from the Colorado 4-H Youth Development Program.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_