

## **Absentee Rules for 4-H General Project Show (as stated in the 2019 4-H Fair Book)**

**4-H members are required to be with their exhibits for conference judging** unless Absentee Exhibitor Rules (below, found on page 6) are followed. If the 4-H member is not present for judging and an *Absentee Exhibitor Form* is not attached to the exhibit, the exhibit will not be judged and is not eligible to receive an award or premium.

### **14. Absentee Exhibitor Rules:**

- a. If you are unable to attend the 4-H General Project Show with good cause, you must fill out an *Absentee Excuse Form*, stating a valid reason for not being present. The exhibitor, a parent/guardian and the exhibitor's 4-H leader must sign this form. Completed forms **MUST** be in the Extension Office by **12:00 PM Friday, July 19**. **Forms that do not have all designated signatures (member, parent and leader) are considered incomplete**. Please request work schedules that allow you to be present for judging if at all possible. Advance notice of fair dates should give sufficient time to most employers who are willing to cooperate.

NOTE: Hair appointments or doctor appointments are not considered a good cause. Medical emergencies will be handled on a case by case basis.

- b. The *Absentee Exhibitor Form* must be attached to each exhibit. Answer all questions thoroughly in your own words. Answers may be printed or typed.
- c. The *Absentee Excuse Form* and *Absentee Exhibitor Form* are available from the Extension office in Stronghurst or online at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/hkmw/> by selecting Henderson County 4-H and Henderson County 4-H Fair. **It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to procure these forms and the required signatures by the deadlines.**