



## 4-H Uniform and Hat Help Guide

### The California 4-H Uniform is made up of the following garments:

1. A plain white shirt with a collar. Any length of sleeve, including sleeveless is acceptable.  
OPTIONAL: A traditional 4-H tie or scarf worn with the collared white shirt. The tie and scarf are both worn under the collar. Any member can wear either the scarf or the tie--whichever the member is most comfortable wearing.
2. Members have a choice of bottoms, appropriate to the event or activity, as specified in the California 4-H Dress Guidelines at: <https://4h.ucanr.edu/files/210170.pdf>.
3. Official green uniform 4-H hat branded with the University of California, Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR) and the 4-H clover logo mark. We are the only state to have a 4-H uniform hat. Many members display their achievement pins on their hats. A 4-H hat is NOT required for membership in the California 4-H Youth Development Program or for participation in any 4-H activity, event, or occasion.
4. Alternate Casual Uniform: For casual events, members may wear their approved club or county 4-H branded shirt without the uniform hat. Club and county 4-H shirts must properly display the 4-H emblem according to the California 4-H Branding Toolkit found at: [https://ucanr.edu/sites/CA\\_4-H\\_Brand\\_Toolkit/](https://ucanr.edu/sites/CA_4-H_Brand_Toolkit/).

**The CDFA Fairs and Exposition Rule Book and the 4-H Youth Development Program do not mandate a uniform or attire for judging. Fairs do not fall under the jurisdiction of the 4-H program and may require their own clothing for showing. The Glenn County Fair Guidebook recommends looking at the California 4-H Uniform Guidelines found at: <https://ucanr.edu/sites/UC4-h/files/216262.pdf> which states:**

**Fair Uniform Guidelines:** The dress requirements for 4-H exhibitors are determined by each fair and exposition. The State 4-H Office sent a letter to each California fair in October 2015 requesting that they change their uniform requirements for exhibiting 4-H members to include the following:

1. Official green 4-H hat branded with the UC ANR and the 4-H clover logo mark. To view the new hat: [http://4h.ucanr.edu/About/Uniform/California\\_4-H\\_Hat/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/About/Uniform/California_4-H_Hat/).
2. A plain white shirt with a collar. Any length of sleeve, including sleeveless is acceptable.
3. Dark blue, black, or white pants (all fabric types are acceptable). Alternative Casual Uniform: Shorts may be worn for casual, non-livestock activities (e.g., still exhibits). Alternative Business Uniform: Dress slacks or skirts may be worn for business events and activities (e.g., interviews or formal presentations) page 3 California 4-H Uniform Guidelines 7/2015.
4. OPTIONAL: A traditional 4-H tie or scarf worn with the collared white shirt. The tie and scarf are both worn under the collar. Any member can wear either the scarf or the tie, whichever the member is most comfortable wearing. Youth may continue to use the current green hat with only the 4-H clover logo mark for the remainder of their 4-H careers. Youth who are currently senior level members may continue to use their white hat for the remainder of their 4-H careers. Senior members may also convert to the green hat as they choose. Fairs are not under the jurisdiction of the 4-H YDP and may require their own clothing for showing. Dress requirements for 4-H participation at fairs and expositions is determined by each fair or exposition.

**The California 4-H Hat:** The 4-H uniform hat is a source of pride for the 4-H members in the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program. Many members use the hat to display their achievement pins. The official green California 4-H uniform hat is branded with the University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR) and the 4-H clover logo mark.

In the past, Senior members transitioned to a white hat. As of July 1, 2020, all white hats should have transitioned to the official California 4-H green hat. A 4-H uniform hat is NOT required for membership in the California 4-H Youth Development Program or for participation in any 4-H activity, event, or occasion.

**Left Side of Hat**



- All-star, platinum, gold, silver, or bronze stars in front. You may "cascade" the stars.
- Place the junior/teen leader emblems and the Hi 4-H patch (in that order) behind the stars.

**Right Side of Hat**



- Stripes earned for each year completed in 4-H.
- Year completion pin (primary, junior, intermediate, and senior) - place above the stripe of the year the pin was earned, starting with the primary pins next to the 4-H clover.
- Officer pins - align with year earned.
- 100% Attendance pins - place below the stripe of the year the pin was earned.

Note: If a member earns more year stripes than can fit on the right side of the hat, they may "wrap around" their stripes and continue onto the left side of the hat.

- Medals may be worn on either side of the hat. Placing them on the left is recommended.
- Note: No other pin or ribbon should be worn on the hat other than 4-H related items. The hat should reflect the dignity of the 4-H Youth Development Program. Some items that should not be worn on the hat include buttons, fair medals, convention badges, or other regalia.

### **Purchasing 4-H Attire:**

#### **UCCE Glenn County Office**

821 E. South Street  
Orland, CA 95963

*Please note exact change or a check is needed.*

*Please make checks payable to Glenn County 4-H Council.*

#### **The current prices for the 2024-2025 program year are:**

Green UCANR Hat (small, medium, large, and extra-large): \$34.00

4-H Clip on Redi-Tie: \$22.00

4-H Self-Tie: \$22.00

Completed Scarf: \$25.00

Uniform Collar Kit (you sew): \$16.00

White pants can often be found and purchased new at local feed/western stores in our area.

**Glenn County UCCE Office Lending Closet:** There is also a lending closet at the UCCE Office with white pants and white button-up shirts for youth members to borrow and/or exchange, as members grow out of them.

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