

Illinois 4-H Family Spirit Award Scoring

	4- Excellent	3-Average	2-Below Average	1- Poor
Family 4-H Story	The 4-H Family Story portrays the family as having deep roots in the organization. Additionally, a properly written and an engaging narrative that gives an overview of whole family.	The 4-H Family Story portrays the family as having some connection to the organization. There is a well-written narrative that gives an overview of the whole family.	The 4-H Family Story portrays the family as having a small connection to the organization. The narrative isn't engaging and doesn't give a proper overview of the whole family.	The 4-H Family Story portrays the family as having a small connection to the organization, or only the connections of a few family members are discussed.
Biographies	The biographies are completed with excellent detail. They are well written and portray the family member as an involved 4-H individual.	The biographies are completed with average details. The family members are involved alumni or current members who participate.	The biographies are completed with few details about the family members. Some of the family members are involved alumni, and there are current 4-H members in the family.	The biographies are not completed and have no details about the family. The family members aren't active alumni and have few or no current members.
4-H Involvement	The family was involved on the national, state, and local level; participating in frequent activities both as current and as alumni member.	The family was involved on the state and local level; participation in activities both as current and as an alumni member.	The family was involved on the local level; participation in activities both current and as an alumni member.	The family had little to no involvement on the local level, and don't involve themselves in current 4-H activities.
Clearness & Understanding	The entirety of the application is well-written and has properly used grammar, as well as creativity in language and in word choice.	The entirety of the application is written averagely and has used grammar somewhat properly. There is attention to the language and word choice in specific sections.	The entirety of the application has some written errors and has used grammar improperly at points. There is little attention to the language or the word choice.	The entirety of the application lacks written attention to grammar, as well as no attention to the language or word choice.
Philanthropy & Community Service	The family has active participation in the community and is philanthropic. They are a family that gives back to the community.	The family has some participation in community and is philanthropic. Some family members give back to the community	The family has little participation in the community and has few philanthropic qualities.	The family has no participation in the community or no philanthropic qualities described.