

# 2026 Ohio 4-H Charter Checklist

**4-H National Headquarters and Ohio 4-H Youth Development require that all clubs be chartered.** Please complete this checklist to determine whether your club has met the Ohio 4-H Club charter requirements. This checklist will be reviewed by your Washington County 4-H Extension Professional. Chartered 4-H clubs are permitted to use the 4-H Name and Emblem according to 4-H National Headquarter guidelines. Clubs that meet these minimum requirements will be granted/continue a charter. The charter checklist must be reviewed every year to assure a club’s continued compliance with the 4-H Club criteria.

Name of 4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_ EIN # \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ (9 digits)

Name of Contact Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Contact Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria – Advisors to mark (x) the appropriate box:	Requirements Met	Not Met
1) All of our adult club volunteers are approved through the Ohio 4-H Volunteer Selection Process.		
2) Our 4-H club has at least five youth members from three different families		
3) The name of our 4-H club was approved through the County Extension Office.		
4) Our club plans to conduct a minimum of six regular club meetings per year.		
5) Our club has a current constitution.		
6) Our club has elected officers.		
7) Our 4-H club agrees to provide a welcoming and safe environment for all club members.		
8) Our 4-H club plans a series of experiential learning experiences for club members.		
9) Our 4-H club agrees to follow all national, state and county 4-H policies and procedures.		
10) Our 4-H club agrees to follow the national and state 4-H guidelines for the use of the 4-H Name and Emblem.		
11) Our club agrees to follow national and state 4-H guidelines for fundraising.		
12) Our club agrees to maintain its own Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN)		
13) Our 4-H club will not participate in any political campaign or devote time to attempt to influence legislation.		
14) Our club agrees to submit a financial report at the end of each club program year for the OSU Extension to complete the annual IRS 990 filing		
15) Upon dissolution of this club, we agree that any assets will be distributed for a tax exempt purpose.		
Advisor’s Signature:	Date:	
Extension Professional Signature:	Charter Approved: YES or NO	

**This Chartering Checklist must be submitted to the Washington County Extension Office by January 15, 2026**

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