

Hawai'i State 4-H Program COVID-19 Guidelines

The health and safety of everyone who participates in our programs is our highest priority. Public health best practices guide our planning as we work under unprecedented conditions to prioritize safety and create the best learning experiences possible for our youth. The information below is a guideline for planning 4-H programs for the 2020-2021 4-H year, keeping in mind that the situation will most likely change and guidelines are subject to updates at any time.

Hawai'i 4-H Transition Plan for Programs during the COVID-19 Pandemic All information and dates are subject to change	
Phase 1 – Restriction (until June 30, 2020)	SPRING 2020
Phase 2 – Caution (July 1 – September 30, 2020)	SUMMER 2020
Phase 3 – Modification (October 1, 2020 – until updated)	4-H Year 2020-2021
<p>All State, County, and University guidelines must be followed If county or state guidelines are more restrictive than 4-H with respect to gathering size, follow the most restrictive rules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-person 4-H activities can only take place at UH or approved facilities* • In-person gatherings are determined through the following questions (must be able to answer yes to all) 	
<pre> graph TD Q1[Has a facilities plan been submitted and approved?] -- YES --> Q2[Is total group size at/below county and state guidelines?] Q2 -- YES --> Q3[Can the facility fit group size following 6' social distancing?] Q1 -- NO --> A1[Submit facilities plan and/or get approval] Q2 -- NO --> A2[Limit group size, convert to two or more groups (with adequate volunteers), separate gathering to multiple days or move online] Q3 -- NO --> A3[Move gathering outside (if applicable) or find new facility. Resubmit facilities plan with updated information] </pre>	
<p>Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure all participants are familiar with the health and safety guidelines prior to the event • Follow the 4-H check-in process • Face coverings and social distancing required according to guidelines • Follow cleaning and disinfecting processes 	
<p>Restrictions and Limitations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitors and activities (such as field trips) involving other groups are prohibited • Activities such as singing, playing wind instruments, shouting, and other similar activities that increase the presence and propulsion of respiratory droplets in the air are discouraged 	
<p>*Approved facilities are those that meet the 4-H health and safety guidelines as determined by the county agent in the facilities plan. Approved facilities do not include personal residences.</p>	