

PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DISTRICT 4-H OFFICERS

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

1. Candidates should be nominated through the County 4-H Council or Executive Board. <u>You may make</u> nominations for one or more of the officers or you may not nominate anyone.

2. Using FORM II, "Nomination of District Officers" each county may nominate one person for each of the four offices of the district as follows: President; Vice-President; Secretary-Treasurer; Reporter.

3. Email a copy of FORM II for each person wishing to run for a District Office to the State 4-H Office to Dr. Mitzi Downing, <u>mitzi_downing@ncsu.edu</u>, by March 1st. This is a received by deadline. Also send one copy of FORM II per county in your district to the district Agent Advisor by March 1st. This is a received by deadline.

VOTING PROCEDURE FOR COUNTY COUNCIL:

1. After careful study and review of each candidate's qualifications, the County 4-H Council shall determine the candidates it considers best qualified for each of the four district office positions.

2. Since each candidate must receive a majority vote to be elected, it will be necessary for the 4-H'ers to make a preferential rating of all candidates for each office to be used by the voting delegate in case of a run-off.

3. The council will also determine if they want to cast all their votes for each particular office for one candidate or split them among more than one. The number of votes a county can cast is based on the number of 4-H'ers enrolled in the official forms of 4-H membership special order, Article III, Section 1. Each county will have four votes, plus one additional vote for each 100 members enrolled in 4-H clubs with a maximum of 30 votes from these, one additional vote for each 100 additional reported members with a maximum of 10 votes from these. The electoral vote will be determined from your 4-H membership as reported on "Annual 4-H Youth Enrollment Report: Form ES-237. This total number of county votes may be cast for each office.

4. The "District 4-H Election Ballot, FORM III" will be filled out and appropriately signed for the delegate to personally submit at district elections.

DISTRICT VOTING PROCEDURE:

1. Each voting delegate will submit a completed copy of FORM III and orally report the county's vote for each candidate and the votes will be tabulated. If a candidate receives a majority of votes on the first ballot, then the candidate is elected. If no candidate has a majority, a run-off will be held between the two candidates with the highest number of votes. If the completed copy of FORM III is not submitted, the county's vote will not be tabulated.

2. If there is a run-off, the voting delegate refers to the county's preferential rating and casts all the county's votes to the one candidate in the run-off who has the highest rating.