



Do you have a skill,
hobby,
or Special Interest
that kids might be
interested in?

WHAT IS A SPIN CLUB?

A 4-H SPIN Club is a special interest club where five or more youth learn about a topic of interest. Topics vary and include interests such as nature, arts, science, gardening, food science, robots, and more!

Purpose: To help youth gain mastery of a specific topic or skill through a 4-H special interest club. A SPIN Club is designed to be more flexible than a "Traditional" 4-H Community Club. The guidelines for meetings are less rigid and allow for greater flexibility when scheduling the meetings or "sessions".

Success Criteria: Youth, ages 8 to 18, will join the special interest (SPIN) club and participate in a series of hands-on learning experiences to gain new knowledge and skills. At the end of the experience, youth should be able to show that they have mastered the skills and evaluate what they have learned. Through these learning experiences youth will have opportunities to develop a sense of belonging, independence, practice decision making and develop leadership skills.

Other Key Information:

- Members are not required to enroll in an Ohio 4-H Project, but can if they choose.
- Experiential learning curriculum should be used (4-H Curriculum Preferred), must be approved by the Extension Office.
- Data is collected on members: SPIN enrollment forms need returned to the Extension Office.
- Clubs do NOT handle money.

SPIN Club Advisor:

- ♦ Non 4-H Volunteers will need to complete the 4-H Volunteer Screening Process. However there is an exception for school teachers and afterschool leaders employed by the school system.

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