**Difference between Expression Pages and the Collection of Work**

**In the 4-H Record Book**

Expression pages and the Collection of Work are two sections of the 4-H Record Book which are often mixed up by 4-H members and volunteers, but there is a distinct difference between the two.

This tool is to assist in recognized the difference between Expression Pages and the Collection of Work and explains how to help youth put together good examples of each for their Record Book.

**Distinct Differences between Expression Pages and the Collection of Work:**

-Expression Pages TEACH something that a youth learned for each PROJECT

-Collection of Work SHOW or EXHIBIT things which a youth has done at ANY TIME or ACTIVITY in the current year

Below is a summary of the main differences. The back of this document has more detailed differences.

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| **Expression Pages vs. Collection of Work**  |
| **Expression Pages** | **Collection of Work**  |
| Corresponds with a specific Project and Annual Project Report | Is about anything which happened during the current 4-H year |
| Can be drawings, graphics, pictures or stories which TEACH something | Can be newspaper articles, flyers, brochure (all written or created by the youth), letter or certificates (about the youth), or pictures with captions  |
| Allows for creativity  | Supports other sections of the Record Book (like the PDR or Story) |
| Allows for reflection  | Allows for exhibition of what youth has done |

**Expression Pages:**

-corresponds with a specific project and Annual Project Report (APR)

For example: The Sheep Project APR should have an Expression Page about just the Sheep project.

-can be drawings, graphics, pictures, or a written story (as long as they TEACH something)

-should only be one single sided page per Project (APR)

What do Expression Pages do?

-teach the reader about something youth learned in the project.

For example: In the Sheep Project, youth learned how to give injections and trim hooves. Youth could create a page teaching the reading how to give an injection or how to trim hooves.

-allow for creativity. Youth can choose which topic from the Project they found interesting and would want to teach the reader.

-allow for reflection. When youth have come up with the ideas for the Expression Page, they have to think back and reflect on their year and what they learned.

**Collection of Work:**

What does the Collection of Work do?

-supports the other sections of the Record Book by showing the reader examples of what youth have done that year.

-shows what the youth have done during the current year.

What to Include in the Collection of Work?

-Newspaper or newsletter articles which were written by the youth (2 pages maximum)

-Flyers or Brochures which were created by the youth (2 pages maximum)

-Letters or certificates created by the youth or are about/presented to the youth (2 pages maximum)

-Photographs with captions (5 pages maximum)

Limits to the Collection of Work:

-should not be more than 11 pages