

Montana 4-H Volunteer Orientation

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Montana 4-H Volunteer Orientation? The Volunteer Orientation is the first training required by Montana 4-H for all volunteers. The orientation is designed to give all 4-H volunteers a basic understanding of the Montana 4-H program.

Do I have to take the orientation every year to volunteer? No, once you complete the orientation you don't have to take it again.

What will I learn from the orientation? The orientation is broken up into 4 modules, that are about 15 minutes each. Topics include: positive youth development, basics of 4-H, risk management, impacts of 4-H, and policy & procedure.

Why is Montana 4-H requiring a volunteer orientation? To fulfill our promise to 4-H volunteers by providing support through education to grow the 4-H program while providing a safe and educational environment to 4-H members.

How long will it take? It will take around 1 hour to complete. But you can break it up and save your progress if you want to spread it out over a couple days.

Why is it online? Although we enjoy working face to face with our volunteers, we wanted to make it as convenient as possible for our volunteers and MSU Extension Agents.

When did Montana 4-H launch the Volunteer Orientation? The Montana 4-H Volunteer Orientation went live on Clover Academy at the start of 2022-2023 4-H year beginning October 2022.

What if I struggle with technology? Please contact your local Extension office to see if they can assist you in completing the orientation. Reach out to family or friends that might be able to assist you in completing the orientation.

Can I use my phone or tablet to complete the training? Although we do recommend using a computer for the best results, some people have completed the orientation using their smartphone or tablet.

What will happen if I don't complete the training by September 30, 2023? You will be required to complete the training before you are able to become an active certified volunteer for the next 4-H year.