

# 2023 Honor Club Application

## Giggles 'n Stitches

### 1. ADVISOR ACTIVITIES

- a. Three Advisors (Julia Wood, Miranda Skitzki, Jackie Hammonds) participated in the 2023 Style Revue the entire day assisting members and parents with project judging and modeling. All three advisors attended the Geauga County Advisor Conference on January 21.
- b. Advisors assisted with the Geauga County Style Revue / Project Judging and the Geauga County Fair Style Show.
- c. Julia Wood is on the Style Revue Committee, and she is a member of the Advisory Committee.
- d. Advisor Julia Wood is on Style Revue Committee which mentors the Youth Fashion Board.
- e. N/A
- f. Advisors supported county-wide service projects like Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Blankets for Veterans, and the Auburn Roadside Litter Pick-Up. Julia Wood helped coordinate the Bainbridge Food Pantry donation drive and Family-A-Fair donation with Sew Sew Sweet Club.

### 2. MEMBERS ATTENDANCE AT LOCAL MEETINGS

**\*\* Our club held 11 Business Meetings and one Sewing Help Session**

- a. Every member attended six or more business meetings (noted in the secretary's book).
- b. N/A
- c. There were two mandatory parent meetings. They were held on February 18 and March 18 (see attached parent attendance sheets).

### 3. LOCAL CLUB ACTIVITIES

- a. All club meetings included the three components of a 4-H meeting: 50% education, 25% business, 25% recreation, as recorded in the secretary's book.
- b. Sewing Group Leaders and club officers worked with their assigned sewing group members and demonstrated sewing techniques and skills at every club meeting. Some topics covered: seam finishes, types of hems, using a serger, parts of a sewing machine, pattern layout, pattern alterations, quilting techniques, project book activities.
- c. Our club traveled to JoAnn Fabrics Headquarters for a friends and family educational field trip to learn about selecting patterns, material, and notions for our projects. Members and guests also toured the store. This was held on May 20, 2023.
- d. Our club participated in multiple community service projects. One example is the food and supply drive for the Bainbridge Food Pantry led by Community Service Chairperson, Emma Parker. Our Club donated \$200-\$250 worth of food and other items (July 7). We created 8 no-sew blankets for Veterans to hand out at the Geauga County Fair (August 10). Our club also participated in the Sleep in Heavenly Peace county-wide service project (May 13).
- e. N/A
- f. Health and Safety Officer, Victoria Cherney, presented the topic of Treating a Cut/Wound Care & Signs of Strokes at our May 31<sup>st</sup> meeting. Health and Safety Officer, Audrey Knaus, spent our June 28<sup>th</sup> meeting on Food Safety tips.

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- g. Our News Reporter, Hannah Cooper, submitted two articles this year to multiple local newspapers and online news. See actual articles in binder.  
Geauga County Maple Leaf "4-H News - Giggles 'n Stitches" (July 13, 2023)  
The Times/Courier "Busy year for Giggles 'n Stitches 4-H Club" (August 3, 2023)  
Spirit of Bainbridge "Giggles 'n Stitches 4-H Club Begins Club Year" (July 21, 2023)  
Chagrin Valley Times "Giggles & Stitch 4-H Serves Community" (September 14, 2023)
- h. Listed on score sheet.

### 4. TRAINING MEETINGS

- a. Advisors fulfilled their yearly trainings (can be verified with Alisha Faudie). We had 10 people, including one club officer, Audrey Knaus, and 3 members, participate in the Sewing and Quilt Expo (training fair) at the John S. Knight Center, Akron, April 13-15, 2023. Two club officers and one Advisor attended Officer Training on February 27, 2023.
- b. All club members and advisors attended clothing project judging (July 18), and the Fair Style Show (September 4). Margaret Zallar completed Quality Assurance and Animal Project Judging for her market chicken project. We had four members attend miscellaneous project judging for first aid, cooking, and photography projects (July 15). Two member's projects were selected, and they participated in the Ohio State Fair.
- c. N/A

### 5. COUNTY ACTIVITIES

- a. Our Club participated in the Advisory Committee candy bar fundraiser, selling 23 cases.
- b. Our fair booth was displayed in the Junior Fair Building and included all projects. GnS has a Fair Booth Committee that was led by President Rebecca Zallar and VP Sammy Sunderhaft this year. They guided our club to design a Fair booth that met this year's Junior Fair theme. The entire club did an excellent job planning and creating the booth. All club members' completed projects and awards were displayed in the GnS booth.  
See our fair booth photo in this binder.
- c. N/A
- d. Our Club had six Yard Displays created by Isabelle Violette, Emily Tessean, Elin Serquina, Audrey Knaus, Lucy Weaver, and Brinley Cremeans. See pictures in binder.
- e. Our Club created 8 no sew blankets for the Geauga County Veterans service project lead by the Sew Sew Sweet 4-H Club. We also participated in the Sleep In Heavenly Peace project.
- f. Audrey Knaus attended 4-H Camp Whitewood. See group photo in binder.
- g. Giggles 'n Stitches participated in the 2023 Family-A-Fair.