

4-H Common Measures Library-4-H Common Measures resources located on the Common Measures website (www.4-h.org/commonmeasures).

Community of Practice (CoP)-Group of people who share a craft or a profession. CoP can refer to a large community (such as 4-H educators) or a specific sub-group (such as 4-H educators leading rabbit projects).

Data-Driven Decision-Making-Using data or evidence (such as results from a survey) to inform decision-making. Personal experiences and expertise are an important part of interpreting data, but in and of themselves are not sufficient for data-driven decision-making.

Evaluation-Systematic collection and analysis of information and evidence about a 4-H program's performance.

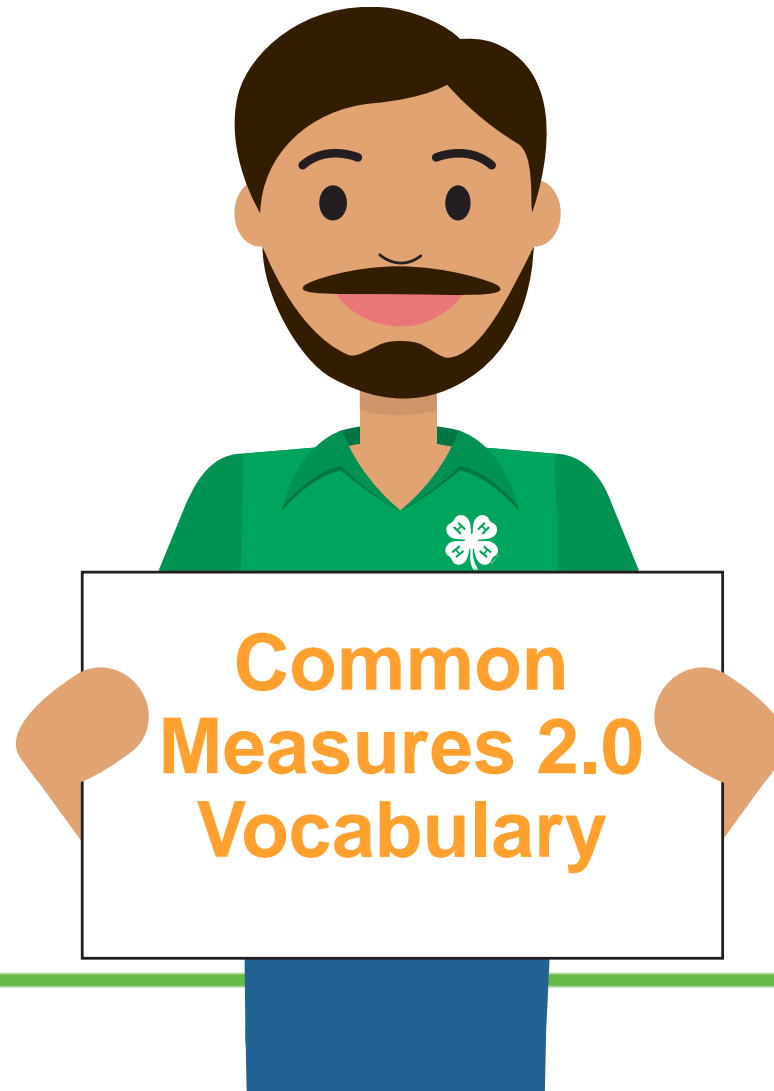
Formative Data-Provides educators with the information they need to improve the learning process while it's happening. Used to monitor progress toward a goal or objective.

Frequency Data-The number of times the data value occurs (i.e., 16 participants indicated they were in seventh grade).

Indicators-A marker of accomplishment/progress (i.e., Youth will demonstrate a capacity for food preparation skills). It is a specific, observable, and measurable accomplishment or change that shows the progress made toward achieving a specific output or outcome in a logic model or work plan.

Instrument-A survey, measure, or assessment.

Item/Item Stem-A survey or assessment question or statement that prompts a response.



Lesson Study-Groups of educators working collaboratively, as a community of practice (CoP), to refine or adapt existing lessons.

Logic Model-A graphic depiction (road map) that presents the shared relationships among the resources, activities, outputs, outcomes, and impact for a program. It depicts the relationship between a program's activities and its intended effects.

Method-The procedures used to gather and evaluate data to determine how well a program achieved its objectives by measuring results.

Outcomes-Criteria for evaluating the success of a program.

Post-Test-Survey instrument used to collect follow-up data after the program is completed.

Pre-Test-Administering an instrument, survey, measure or assessment to collect baseline data before a program.

Response Options-The response or answer options presented with an item. Response options generally provide a range, such as very important to not important.

Scale-A group of items whose responses are added together to calculate a "scale score" that represents a broader construct than an individual item score.

Stakeholder-Individual with an interest in 4-H. Our stakeholders include 4-H members, volunteers, staff, leaders, community members, individuals and organizations at the federal, state and county levels.

Summative Data-Provides educators with the information they need to measure the learning process at the end of a program or experience. Used to assess goal or objective achievement.