## Fresno County 4-H County Ambassador Program Information

## GOAL AND PHILOSOPHY OF THE AWARD

The County 4-H Ambassador is the highest recognition for 4-H members in Fresno County. It recognizes individuals for their outstanding leadership, community service and project work. Being a County Ambassador is an opportunity for further experience and growth in public speaking, leadership and community involvement. Candidates must be 15 years old, as of December 31st of the year of ambassador service, in order to be considered for the County Ambassador Team.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNTY AMBASSADOR**

- 1. Work together as a team to represent the Fresno County 4-H Program.
- 2. Create a goal for three selected leadership competencies; develop and implement a plan of action to meet team goals.
- 3. Plan, implement and reflect on a team selected service learning project.
- 4. Plan and host County Achievement Night and Officer Training.
- 5. Assist with Fresno County 4-H events as requested.
- 6. Attend the Fresno County 4-H Leaders Council meetings as a teen leader.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

- Applicants must be between 15-18 years old by December 31st for the next 4-H year and meet the 4-H membership requirements in Fresno County 4-H for the length of the term of service.
- Applicants must have completed at least one year of membership in 4-H prior to the year of application and be a member in good standing.
- Applicants must have demonstrated leadership experience and skills. A member must document the following:
  - **G** hours or more of instruction resulting in project mastery.
  - □ 40 hours or more of significant leadership roles.
  - □ 30 hours or more of citizenship and/or community service.
  - □ 10 or more public speaking events.
  - 15 or more examples combined of project skills, 4-H events attended & honors/recognition. Definitions for these categories are found in the Record Book Manuel under the section describing the Personal Development Report (PDR). Completing a PDR is not an application requirement for County Ambassador.
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  - Alternatively, applicants may submit documentation of having achieved a Gold Star Rank to satisfy the above five requirements. Documentation can be signed and dated Start Rank Chart or other written documentation that the Gold Star Rank was achieved.