

**Los Angeles County 4-H** 

## **AMBASSADORS**

An elite team!

Prestige—LA County 4-H highest rank! Make a difference!
Be in charge! Travel—make new friends statewide!
Open doors to college opportunities!
A Working Honor!



University of California Cooperative Extension / Los Angeles County 4-H Youth Development Program

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#### LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR SELECTION PROCEDURE

#### **★** Philosophy of All-Star Award

County 4-H Ambassador (formerly called as All Star Ambassador) is the highest rank that a 4-H member can achieve at the county level. The County Ambassador award affords 4-H members the opportunity to further develop their leadership skills on a county-wide basis. It is a working honor. Each year Los Angeles County selects several 4-H members who have applied and are deserving of this rank to become County Ambassadors. The Los Angeles County 4-H Program expects its LA County 4-H Ambassadors to contribute to the 4-H program during the next program year.

#### **★** Eligibility Requirements

Any 4-H member is eligible to apply for Ambassador who:

- 1. Is 15 years of age as of December 31, 2023.
- 2. Has completed two years of 4-H club work.
- 3. Has demonstrated leadership skills and qualities.
- 4. Shows strong interest in continuing in the 4-H Youth Development Program and has specific ideas regarding ways in which he/she can give guidance and leadership to some phase of the 4-H program.
- 5. Has actively participated beyond the 4-H club level.

#### **★** Application Requirements

Any 4-H member who is eligible, may apply for County Ambassador by:

- 1. Submitting an Ambassador Application.
- 2. Submitting three *confidential* letters of recommendation no later than Feb. 10, 2023.

## ★ Ambassador Required Responsibilities - July 2023 through June 2024:

- 1. Function as 4-H role model at all times. Expected to behave with a degree of maturity, composure and excellence.
- 2. Attend at least *two* county council meetings.
- 3. Attend two-thirds of Ambassador Meetings
- 4. Plan and run the Junior Leadership Conference.
- 5. Work on a team community/leadership project for the county with the other new Ambassadors, to be approved by 7/1/2023 and completed by 5/1/2024.
- 6. Help plan and work at least *four* county events.
- 7. Provide county leadership and service.
- 8. Help at county and district award ceremonies.

#### **★** Timeline and Selection Process

County Ambassador Review Committee: This committee will consist of at least three of the following: Ambassador Advisor(s), 4-H Program Manager, Community Club Leaders, Adult Volunteers, and at least one current Ambassador.

**Letters of Recommendation**: One from the applicant's community club leader and then two others.

| Feb. 10, 2023           | Application packet and letters of recommendations are due to Amy Lockmann, County 4-H Ambassador Advisor, by 4p.m. |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Feb. 25, 2023           | All-Star interviews with selection committee at County Judging Day   |  |  |  |
| Mar. 25, 2023           | Notification of Ambassador selected applicants.  |  |  |  |
| By July 1,<br>2023      | Approval of team Ambassador project for the county by County 4-H Advisor before project work is done               |  |  |  |
| July 2023-<br>June 2024 | The new Ambassador participate in County Ambassador Team as leads for the team.                                    |  |  |  |

#### ★ Serve as an Ambassador!

July 2023 until you leave (the 4-H program as a member). Receive a county Ambassador shirt at the May 2023 LA County 4-H Council meeting.

- Serve on the elite County 4-H Ambassador Team providing county leadership and service.
- Have opportunity to attend the State Leadership Conference in July 2023

You will start as an Ambassador, and when you satisfactorily complete your team community/ leadership project, you will be awarded your County Ambassador pin and patch.

#### County Events for 2023-2024 4-H Program Year:

- County Awards event
- Leaders' Appreciation event
- Livestock Symposium
- County Judging Day
- County Field Day
- . County Fashion Revue
- County Science Fair
- County Food Fair
- County Healthy Living event

#### CHECK CALENDAR FOR DATES AND TIMES!

**Resource:** County Ambassador Handbook (available on the state website)

## **AMBASSADOR APPLICATION CHECK LIST**

| Name  |   | Club  | Club |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|------|--|--|--|
| Addre   | Address   |   |      |  |  |  |
| City/S  | tate/Zip _  | Phone   |      |  |  |  |
| E-mail  | l   | Cell  |      |  |  |  |
| (circle   | one)  |   |      |  |  |  |
| YES NO I understand that my completed Application is due to Amy Lockmann, County 4-Ambassador Advisor, by 4:00 p.m. on February 10, 2023. |   |   |      |  |  |  |
| YES   | NO  | I understand that I should check with Amy Lockmann: (818) 335-2329 to see if my letters of recommendations have been received.          |      |  |  |  |
| YES   | NO  | This County Ambassador Application Check List is clipped to my application.   |      |  |  |  |
| YES   | NO  | I have requested three letters of recommendation from   |      |  |  |  |
|   |   | 1)  |      |  |  |  |
|   |   | 2)  |      |  |  |  |
|   |   | 3) Applicant Community Club Leader  |      |  |  |  |
|   |   | I understand that the above persons will use the designated County Ambassador Recommendation Form and that it is due February 10, 2023. |      |  |  |  |
| YES   | YES NO I will bring one parent to my County Ambassador interview. |   |      |  |  |  |
|   |   | RSTAND THAT IF I AM SELECTED AS A COUNTY AMBASSADOR,<br>LL REQUIRE A MINIMUM OF ONE YEAR OF SERVICE.                                    |      |  |  |  |
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| ,   | PARENT  | T / GUARDIAN DATE   | -    |  |  |  |

## LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR APPLICATION

| Name  | Club                                       |
|---|--|
| Address   |  |
| City/State/Zip  | Phone                                      |
| E-mail  | Cell                                       |
| Age Birthdate Yrs in 4-H Grade_   | Shirt Size Jacket Size                     |
| Current 4-H Star rank Community C   | Club Leader initials:                      |
| Why do you wish to become a Los Angeles County 4-H Amb  | bassador?                                  |
| What are some suggestions for a County Ambassador team county when the control of the county Ambassador team county are some suggestions for a County Ambassador team county are some suggestions for a County Ambassador team county are some suggestions for a County Ambassador team county are some suggestions for a County Ambassador team county are some suggestions for a County Ambassador team county are some suggestions for a County Ambassador team county are some suggestions. |  |
| What 4-H leadership/community service experiences have y  | ou had above the club level? (Be specific) |

| ist any public speaking experiences (demonstrations, teaching                   | g, talks) in and out of 4-H.                 |
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| That organizations/activities are you currently involved with your involvement? | outside of 4-H, and to what extent           |
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| dditional information (optional): Please use the back of th                     | is form if more space is needed for answers. |
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| LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR APPLICANT SIGNATURE                                    | DATE   |
| PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURE   | DATE   |
|   |  |
| LOCAL 4-H CLUB LEADER SIGNATURE   | DATE   |
| 4-H STAFF SIGNATURE   |  |
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#### LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR RECOMMENDATION FORM

Due no later than February 10, 2023 to:
Amy Lockmann,
LA County 4-H Ambassador Advisor
28232 Foothill Dr., Agoura Hills, CA 91301

#### Questions?

Phone: (818) 335-2329/ E-mail: agoura4h@yahoo.com

Recommendation letters may be written by a project leader, teachers, employers or anyone you wish. It is suggested that one of them be a recommendation from a person in 4-H and one from a person outside 4-H. It is suggested that County Ambassador applicants provide persons making recommendations with a stamped envelope addressed to the UCCE office (above)

| adc | addressed to the UCCE office (above).  | <b></b>      |
|-----|--|--------------|
| AF  | APPLICANT'S NAME: CLUB:  |              |
| Wl  | When evaluating, please consider the qualities and criteria listed on the attached pages.  |              |
| 1.  | 1. Have you seen this applicant function in a position of responsibility? What position? We responsibilities? Did the applicant follow through on them?                    | hat were the |
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|     |  |              |
|     |  |              |
| 2.  | 2. If this applicant is selected as a 4-H County Ambassador, do you think he/she will follow through as a team player with the 4-H Los Angeles County 4-H Ambassador Team? | W            |
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|     |  |              |
|     |  |              |
| 3.  | 3. Please list any notable strengths and weaknesses of the applicant:  |              |

4. Please rank this applicant on the scale below by placing an " $\chi$ " in the appropriate space for each category.

|             | HIGH AVERAGE |   |   | LOW |   |
|-------------|--------------|---|---|-----|---|
|             | 1            | 2 | 3 | 4   | 5 |
| Attitude    |              |   |   |     |   |
| Citizenship |              |   |   |     |   |
| Cooperation |              |   |   |     |   |
| Initiative  |              |   |   |     |   |
| Judgment    |              |   |   |     |   |
| Leadership  |              |   |   |     |   |
| Personality |              |   |   |     |   |

5. Personal comments (you may use additional sheets):

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SIGNATURE DATE

This is due February 10, 2023. Please mail directly

to: Amy Lockmann 28232 Foothill Drive Agoura Hills, CA 91301

# COUNTY AMBASSADOR RECOMMENDATION FORM For Applicant's Community Club Leader

#### Due no later than February 10, 2023 to:

#### **Amy Lockmann**

### LA County 4-H Ambassador Advisor

28232 Foothill Dr., Agoura Hills, CA 91301 **Questions?** 

Phone: (818) 335-2329/ E-mail: agoura4h@yahoo.com

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|     |  | community club leader. It is suggested that applicants provid ped envelope addressed to the UCCE office (above). |
| Al  | PPLICANT'S NAME:   | CLUB:  |
| Hov | v long have you known the applicant as a 4-H r   | nember?  |
| 1.  | How active in your 4-H club has the applica  | nt been in the last few years?   |
|     |  |  |
| 2.  | Have you seen this applicant function in a responsibilities? Did the applicant follow to | position of responsibility? What position? What were the hrough on them?   |
|     |  |  |
| 3.  | If this applicant is selected as a 4-H Count through as a team player with the 4-H Los   | y Ambassador, do you think he/she will follow<br>Angeles County 4-H Ambassador Team?                             |
|     |  |  |
| 4.  | Please list any notable strengths and weak   | nesses of the applicant:   |

4. Please rank this applicant on the scale below by placing an " $\chi$ " in the appropriate space for each category.

|             | HIGH |   | AVERAGE |   | LOW |
|-------------|------|---|---------|---|-----|
|             | 1    | 2 | 3       | 4 | 5   |
| Attitude    |      |   |         |   |     |
| Citizenship |      |   |         |   |     |
| Cooperation |      |   |         |   |     |
| Initiative  |      |   |         |   |     |
| Judgment    |      |   |         |   |     |
| Leadership  |      |   |         |   |     |
| Personality |      |   |         |   |     |

5. Personal comments (you may use additional sheets):

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S COMMUNITY CLUB LEADER

DATE

This is due February 10, 2023. Please mail directly

to: Amy Lockmann 28232 Foothill Drive Agoura Hills, CA 91301