



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

Now available online, updated 10/24/23

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, 2024.
2. Has completed two years as an active 4-Her.
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. 9, 2024.

★ Ambassador Required

Responsibilities - July 2024 through June 2025:

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 7/1/2024 and completed by 5/1/2025.
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. 9, 2024	Application packet and letters of recommendations are due to Amy Lockmann, County 4-H Ambassador Advisor, by 4p.m.
Feb. 24, 2024	Ambassador applicant interviews at County Judging Day with selection committee
Mar. 23, 2024	Notification of Ambassador selected applicants.
By July 1, 2024	Approval of team Ambassador project for the county by County 4-H Advisor before project work is started.
July 2024- June 2025	The new Ambassador participate in County Ambassador Team as leads for the team.

★ Serve as an Ambassador!

July 2024 until you leave (*the 4-H program as a member*). Receive a county Ambassador shirt at the May 2024 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, 2024

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 2024-2025 4-H Program Year:

- County Awards 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 _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____
E-mail _____ Cell _____

(check one)

YES NO I understand that my completed Application is due to Amy Lockmann, County 4-H Ambassador Advisor, by 4:00 p.m. on February 9, 2024.

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 9, 2024.

YES NO I will bring one parent to my County Ambassador interview.

I UNDERSTAND THAT IF I AM SELECTED AS A COUNTY AMBASSADOR,
THIS WILL REQUIRE A MINIMUM OF ONE YEAR OF SERVICE.

▶ _____ DATE _____
LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR APPLICANT

▶ _____ DATE _____
PARENT / GUARDIAN

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 Club Leader initials: _____

Why do you wish to become a Los Angeles County 4-H Ambassador?

What are some suggestions for a County Ambassador team community/leadership project?

What leadership/community service experiences have you had in and out of 4-H? (Be specific)

What 4-H leadership/community service experiences have you had above the club level? (Be specific)

List any public speaking experiences (demonstrations, teaching, talks) in and out of 4-

What organizations/activities are you currently involved with outside of 4-H, and to what extent is your involvement

Additional information (optional): Please use the back of this form if more space is needed for answers.

▶ _____ LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR APPLICANT SIGNATURE	_____ DATE
▶ _____ PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURE	_____ DATE
▶ _____ LOCAL 4-H CLUB LEADER SIGNATURE	_____ DATE
▶ _____ 4-H STAFF SIGNATURE	_____ DATE

LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR RECOMMENDATION FORM

Due no later than February 9, 2024 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 above address.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____ CLUB: _____

When evaluating, please consider the qualities and criteria listed on the attached pages.

1. Have you seen this applicant function in a position of responsibility? What position? What were the responsibilities? Did the applicant follow through on them?
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?
3. Please list any notable strengths and weaknesses of the applicant:

4. Please rank this applicant on the scale below by placing an “X” 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):

THIS IS A CONFIDENTIAL REPORT. AFTER YOU ENCLOSE THE FORMS AND SEAL THE ENVELOPE, PLEASE SIGN YOUR NAME OR INITIAL OVER THE ENVELOPE SEAL.

▶ _____
SIGNATURE

DATE

This is due February 9, 2024 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 9, 2024 to:

Amy Lockmann

LA County 4-H Ambassador Advisor
28232 Foothill Dr., Agoura Hills, CA 91301

Questions?

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Recommendation letter to be completed by your community club leader. It is suggested that applicants provide the person making recommendations with a stamped envelope addressed to the above address.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____ CLUB: _____

How long have you known the applicant as a 4-H member? _____

1. How active in your 4-H club has the applicant been in the last few years?

2. Have you seen this applicant function in a position of responsibility? What position? What were the responsibilities? Did the applicant follow through on them?

4. 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?

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▶ _____
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S COMMUNITY CLUB LEADER

DATE

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Agoura Hills, CA 91301