



2018-2019 Sonoma County 4-H All Star County Ambassador Application Information Sheet

4-H All Star County Ambassadors are role models for their fellow 4-H members and their community. 4-H All Star County Ambassadors assist with county events, develop plans of action, and perform service projects. This esteemed position keeps older members involved by providing them with leadership development through goals to strive for as they serve as leader role models for younger members. Learn more at http://cesonoma.ucanr.edu/4H/For_Youth/Ambassador/

Time Commitment: 15 months, from May 1, 2018 to August 31, 2019. This provides a three-month overlap with the outgoing 4-H All Star County Ambassadors.

Qualifications

- Applicant must be between 14 – 18 years old by May 1, 2018.
- Applicant must have completed at least one year of membership in 4-H.
- Applicant must have demonstrated leadership experience and skills.

Completing a 4-H Record Book is not an application requirement.

Application: Candidates must send the required application form, substantiating documents, and letters of recommendation to the UCCE 4-H Office postmarked by April 2, 2018. Applications may be processed electronically or by paper forms.

Required application elements include the following:

1. Application Cover Sheet
2. Essay responses to questions on the application
3. Resume highlighting leadership and citizenship skills as well as personal and professional development.
4. Written Evidence of Leadership Experience and Skills
5. 3 Letters of Recommendation: 1 letter from a 4-H youth member and 2 letters from adults who have knowledge of your leadership experience, skills and character. At least one of the letters must be from a 4-H adult who has knowledge of the applicant's skills and character demonstrated in the 4-H Youth Development Program. Recommends may not be from a parent/guardian, sibling or other family member residing in the same household as the applicant. Letters of Recommendation should be delivered sealed in an envelope to the 4-H Office with the whole packet. Your 4-H record book is not a requirement of this process and should not be included in the packet.



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Send applications to either: cesonoma4h@ucanr.edu or by mail to:

UCCE Sonoma 4-H
ATTN: Jesenia Mendoza
133 Aviation Blvd, Ste 109
Santa Rosa, CA 95403-8279

Selection Day Process: Candidates will be invited to participate in an in-person selection day, consisting of the following:

- a. Group interview in an informal social interaction.
- b. Presentation of 3-5 minutes. Topics for the presentations may be chosen from the following:
 1. Service Learning Project – Describe a project where you positively impacted our community.
 2. Youth-Adult Partnerships in 4-H – How do we nurture and grow them?
 3. What is your favorite 4-H project and why?
- c. Individual interview with selection committee. Interview questions will be given to the applicant prior to the interview.

Notification: All applicants will be notified within 3 days of the selection process by phone or email.

Selection Committee: Candidates will be evaluated by a panel of three including a 4-H volunteer, a representative of the community-at-large, and Youth Ag Leadership Foundation board member.

Questions: Please contact the UCCE Sonoma 4-H Office at (707) 565-2621 or cesonoma4h@ucanr.edu.



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Cover Sheet**

Applications due postmarked by April 2, 2018

Name _____ Club/Program _____

Age on December 31st _____ Birthdate _____ Years in 4-H _____

Home Address _____

Member email Address _____

Member Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Instructions: Create a packet of all written documents required (see next page) and attach to this cover sheet. Give the packet to an adult who will review and certify your involvement and ask them to complete the bottom portion of this cover sheet.

Complete application (including this form and the components listed above) are due to the UCCE Sonoma County 4-H Office **postmarked by April 2, 2018**. Incomplete applications will not be considered for evaluation. Send applications to either: cesonoma4h@ucanr.edu or by mail to:

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By signing below, I certify that the applicant has provided the required application documentation and that, to the best of my knowledge, they meet all the qualifying criteria to apply for a 4-H County All Star Ambassador.

Signature of Certifying Adult _____

Printed Name of Adult _____ Role/Title _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

Name of Organization (if other than 4-H) _____



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Application Requirements**

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1. **Essay:** Answer the following prompts in three separate essays. Essays should not exceed 300 words and may be typed or handwritten.
 - a) **Why do you want to become a Sonoma County 4-H All Star Ambassador?**
 - b) **What do you hope to gain from your All Star Ambassador experience?**
 - c) **What do you hope to give to 4-H from your All Star Ambassador experience?**

2. **Resume:** highlighting leadership and citizenship skills, as well as personal and professional development. Find a template at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Member_Resources/4-H_Resumes/

3. **Written Evidence of Leadership Experience and Skills (all the first five OR achievement of Gold Star Rank):**
 - Achievement of a Gold Star Rank as evidenced by the signed and dated Star Rank Chart or other documentation that verifies you have achieved this rank.OR
 - Mastery of a project as demonstrated by at least 6 hours of instruction. Provide a statement of what project skills you have mastered.
 - 40 hours of significant leadership roles, either inside or outside of 4-H.
 - 30 hours of citizenship and/or community service, either inside or outside of 4-H.
 - 10 public speaking engagements, at least 2 of those must have been given at a 4-H event.
 - Demonstrate involvement in 4-H as evidenced by a list of activities that are a combination of 15 of the following: project skill activities, 4-H events attend, and honors/recognition. Definitions for these three categories are found in the Record Book Manual under the section describing the Personal Development Report (PDR). Completing a PDR is not an application requirement for County All Star Ambassador

4. **Three (3) Letters of Recommendation:**
 - One letter from a 4-H youth member
 - Two letters from adults who have knowledge of your leadership experience, skills and character. At least one of the letters must be from a 4-H adult who has knowledge of your skills and character demonstrated in the 4-H Youth Development Program.
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