



Los Angeles County 4-H
AMBASSADORS

An elite team!

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

LOS ANGELES COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR SELECTION PROCEDURE

★ Philosophy of Ambassador Honor

County 4-H 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 14 years of age as of December 31, 2026 or in ninth grade.
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 April 20, 2026.

★ Ambassador Required Responsibilities -

July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027:

1. Function as a 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 7/1/2026 and completed by 5/1/2027.
6. Help plan and work at county events.
7. 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.

April 20, 2026	Application packet and letters of recommendations are due to Amy Lockmann, County 4-H Ambassador Advisor, by 4p.m.
May 2, 2026	Ambassador applicant interviews.
May 6, 2026	Notification of Ambassador selected applicants.
By July 1, 2026	Approval of team Ambassador county project by County 4-H Advisor before project work is started.
July 2026- June 2027	The term for the new Ambassador team.

★ Serve as an Ambassador!

July 2026 until you leave *the 4-H program as a member.*

- Receive a county Ambassador shirt and jacket at the beginning of your term.
- Serve on the elite County 4-H Ambassador Team providing county leadership and service.
- Have the opportunity to attend the State Leadership Conference in July, 2026.

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 2026-2027 4-H Program Year:

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

CHECK CALENDAR FOR DATES AND TIMES!

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

AMBASSADOR APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Name: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Cell: _____

(Circle 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 April 20, 2026.

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 _____

YES NO I understand that the above persons will use the designated County Ambassador Recommendation Form and that it is due April 20, 2026.

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.

LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR APPLICANT

DATE

PARENT / GUARDIAN

DATE

LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR APPLICATION

Name: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Cell: _____

4-H Age (as of Dec. 31, 2026): _____ Birthdate: _____ Yrs in 4-H (including this year): _____

Current Grade: _____ Shirt Size: _____ Jacket Size: _____

Current 4-H Star Rank, if applicable: _____ Community Club Leader Initials: _____

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

2. What are some suggestions for a County Ambassador team service learning project?

3. What leadership experiences have you had in and out of 4-H? (Be specific).

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

5. What 4-H Leadership experiences have you had above the club level? (Be specific).

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

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

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

9. 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 April 20, 2026 to:

Amy Lockmann

LA County 4-H Ambassador Advisor

28232 Foothill Dr., Agoura Hills, CA 91301

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

Recommendations letters may be written by a project leader, teacher, employer, or anyone. One letter should be a recommendation from a person in 4-H and one from a person outside 4-H. It is suggested that applicants provide a stamped, addressed envelope with 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.

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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 OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM

DATE

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Amy Lockmann, 28232 Foothill Dr., Agoura Hills, CA 91301

**LA COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR RECOMMENDATION FORM
FOR APPLICANT'S COMMUNITY CLUB LEADER**

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LA County 4-H Ambassador Advisor

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

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

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____ CLUB: _____

1. How long have you known the applicant as a 4-H member? _____ years.
2. How active in your 4-H club has the applicant been in the last few years?
3. 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?
5. Please list any notable strengths and weaknesses of the applicant.

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FOR APPLICANT'S COMMUNITY CLUB LEADER (p.2)

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S COMMUNITY CLUB LEADER

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