

August 28, 2024

Chapter Advisor
Club Leader



Re: All-Around Ag Award Program

We are excited to let you know that it is time to think about applications for the "**All-Around Ag Award**" program. And we are asking for your help in finding those stand-out students that embody just that; an ag-focused, well-rounded student.

There is a group of community leaders, businesses and individuals that have come together to recognize those students that demonstrate a sincere desire to make agriculture their future. We are looking for students showing livestock that have other vocational-ag interests as well, and more importantly, have a true need. For example, you may have a livestock student who also has a goal of becoming a carpenter, or a mechanic or a welder. Unfortunately, many students may not have access to equipment, tools, or materials for furthering their ambitions. The All-Around Ag Award holds the possibility of giving a student their own toolbox and tools and/or a gift card for products to be used for their own projects. We believe these students would truly benefit from receiving tools or products to help them reach their goals.

Attached is an application form. Please note that all forms must be complete and returned to the Livestock Office by **September 27, 2024**. A sifting committee will review all applications. The applications for the Toolbox program can only be submitted by leaders and advisors and we ask that the students are **NOT** told that their names have been submitted. Presentations are tentatively scheduled to occur during the Big Fresno Fair Livestock Sales on October 5th and 12th in the Livestock Barn.

We sincerely hope that this program is successful in finding commendable recipients that could use some help and that the program continues in the future. Please note that this is NOT affiliated or sponsored by the Fresno Fair or Fresno Fair Livestock program. If you have any questions, please call me at (559) 779-7507 or email me at toolboxprogram@gmail.com.

The heart of this program is to help these students help themselves to a better future.

Sincerely,

Mark

Mark Thompson
All-Around Ag Award Program

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Reminder . . . please keep applications confidential and do not share with student that they are being considered for award.