

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA  
4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
JUNIOR ALL- STAR PROGRAM**

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW:**

The Junior All-Star Program is a non-competitive leadership program targeting youth in 8<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades or 13 and older.

The Junior All-Star Program has several goals, including:

- serving as a bridge to the 4-H All-Star Program, and other leadership programs;
- providing meaningful leadership training and growth opportunities for teens;
- providing opportunities for volunteerism and community service;
- maintaining teen's interest in organized youth development programs; and
- providing opportunities for teens to have fun!

**CRITERIA:**

The Junior All-Star Program will be open to any 4-H member who is or will be starting eighth grade in the fall of the program year in which he/she is selected to serve. While this is a non-competitive program, youth must complete an application form, and meet the following criteria:

- have completed 1 year as a junior/teen leader in 4-H, or be enrolled as a junior/teen leader for the current year;
- involvement in a 4-H county-wide committee or significant involvement on the club level; and/or involvement in activities outside of 4H, in church and/or community activities, volunteer and/or work experience;
- strong interest in leadership development;
- ability to attend various meetings, events and activities during the program year; and
- willingness to plan and/or participate in at least one leadership or community service project through the Junior All-Stars Program.

## **PARTICIPATION:**

As a Junior All-Star Program member, youth will have the opportunity to participate in many activities throughout the year. Although members are not expected to attend or participate in every meeting or activity, members should plan to:

1. Attend Junior All-Star Meetings and/or complete approved activities during the Junior All-Star program year. Junior All-Star meetings to occur on Saturdays on the same day and at the same location as the Los Angeles County 4H Leaders' Council meetings.
2. Assist the All-Star(s) as needed.
3. Help plan and conduct a community service or leadership project.
4. Participate in the planning and implementation of county events and activities. Attend county 4-H events, and provide assistance to event chairperson if requested.
5. Keep records of participation and learning. Provide an evaluation of the Junior All-Star program at the end of the program year.
6. Serve as public relations representatives as needed by the 4-H Program.
7. Attend club meetings including visiting other clubs and districts to promote the Junior All-Star Program and other 4-H activities.
8. Make recommendations to 4-H Program Staff concerning the needs and concerns of members.
9. Members must be role models for all youth and need to model good moral and ethical behavior.
10. Attend leadership seminars, and/or conferences. Examples: Local Club and District events, Regional: TIC Conference, State: State Leadership Conference.

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUNIOR ALL-STAR PARTICIPANTS:**

1. To learn more leadership skills, including teamwork and cooperation, through meetings, committee work, conferences, etc.
2. To share leadership skills with younger 4-H members.
3. To help others through community service projects.
4. To increase public speaking and presentation skills.
5. To work with other teens on projects of interest.
6. To voice opinions, make recommendations concerning the 4-H program.
7. To attend local, regional, state, and national leadership events.
8. To take an active leadership role in county events and projects.
9. To have fun!

## **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

- Complete attached application form, code of conduct and Medical Treatment Form, and submit to the 4-H Office or Dee Keese [swimdude64@earthlink.net](mailto:swimdude64@earthlink.net) or 26750 Eastvale Rd., Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274.
- Applications will be accepted until October 1st, of the current program year.
- All participants will be enrolled in this a county-wide advanced leadership project.
- Junior All-Stars will be announced at County Awards Day.

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Los Angeles County  
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APPLICATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (entering in fall) \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Years as a Junior / Teen Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Involvement in a 4-H county-wide committee and/or significant involvement at the club level:

Involvement in other activities outside of 4H:

I have read the Junior All-Star Program Overview and agree to participate in the Junior All-Star Program as described in the Program Overview.

Member \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the Junior All-Star Program Overview and agree to support my teen in this program.

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to Dee Keese, 26750 Eastvale Rd., Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274  
Or email at: [swimdude64@earthlink.net](mailto:swimdude64@earthlink.net)