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CLOVER NOTES

LOS ANGELES COUNTY 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



December 2021

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Los Angeles County 4-H All-Star Ambassadors

Anissa Foster - Greenleaf 4-H Club
Sophie Loewner - Palos Verdes Pen. 4-H Club
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Los Angeles County 4-H Junior All-Stars

The Junior All-Star Program is a non-competitive leadership program targeting youth in 8th through 11th grades or 13 and older.
Due October 1, 2022

Hot Topics



[4-H Re-Enrollment](#)



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Families are able to self-enroll using 4-H Online 2.0 starting August 16, 2021. The new website is: <http://v2.4honline.com/>. 4-H Online instructions can be found [here](#). Enrollment Fees are \$58 youth and \$24 Adults. **Adult members must Re-apply annually by December 31 to continue without a break in service.**



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[Apply to be a 2022-2023 State Ambassador](#)

Applications are now open for the 2022-2023 State Ambassador positions.

The 4-H State Ambassador position is one of the highest service opportunities and recognition attainable in the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program.

[Position Description](#)

Application deadline is January 10, 2022

[2022 California Youth Summits](#)

Hybrid format: In-person and Virtual Leadership Conference for youth ages 11-13.

Save the Dates!

Friday, Jan. 28, 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 29, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 4, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 5, 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

See the [Youth Summit event site](#) for more information.

All-Star Ambassador is the highest rank that a 4-H member can achieve at the county level. The All-Star Ambassador award affords 4-H members the opportunity to further develop their leadership skills on a county-wide basis. For more information [click here](#)



Covid-19 Policy Exception Expires on December 31, 2021

The Returning Volunteer Training Covid-19 Policy Exception is set to expire on December 31, 2021. This exception was issued in February 2021 and relaxed some of the training requirements. The 2020-2021 Returning Volunteer Course included the "Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect" lesson and acknowledgement as part of the year's requirement. This training only needed to be completed one time by all volunteers.

Returning volunteers who did not complete the 2020-2021 Returning Volunteer Course need to complete the "2021-2022 Returning Volunteer" course AND the supplemental "Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect" course by December 31, 2021. Beginning January 1, 2022, Covid-19 Exception Returning Volunteers who have not completed the required coursework will be required to complete the 2021-2022 New Volunteer course to re-enroll. Please check with your county office to see if this affects your enrollment.

[2021-2022 California Returning Volunteer Course](#)

2022 National 4-H Conference

Hybrid format - Washington D.C. area

Qualified youth are:

1. 4-H member ages 16-19
2. Experienced in 4-H.



Apply by January 21 at 8 a.m. Click the link for more information.

State Fashion Revue National Qualifiers

For the first time, California 4-H sent three delegates to compete in the Fashion Revue at the 2020 Western National Roundup. These youth qualified in the 2019 State Fashion Revue. As previously announced, California 4-H will not be sending teams to the 2022 Western National Round-up in January in Denver, Colorado. This decision was made after many discussions with organizers of the Western National Round-Up and 4-H statewide leadership in order to comply with the current UC ANR protocols for overnight and out-of-state travel.

The four youth who qualified at the 2021 State Fashion Revue for the 2022 Western National Round-up will receive National Qualifier Plaques, in recognition of their achievement.

- **Rebekah Kasperson, Los Angeles County, Cosplay Challenge (WNR constructed category)**
- Emily Lavell, Sonoma County, Box Challenge (WNR constructed category)
- Aubrey Saunders, Contra Costa County, Vintage Challenge (WNR constructed category)
- Mackenzie Keslin, Monterey County, Consumer Science purchased (WNR purchased category)

Last 3 County Ambassador Workshops!

[Sign up now to build your leadership skills.](#)

These workshops are for County Ambassadors, County Ambassador Coaches, and youth leaders ages 14 and up.

December 9, 2021, 6:30-8:00pm

The Anatomy of a Workshop

Learn how to build an effective workshop for both in person and virtual delivery.

January 20, 2022 6:30-8:00pm

The Art of Facilitation

Once you have created your workshop, now what do you do? Join the State Ambassadors and learn to effectively facilitate-not just present-a workshop.

February 17, 2021 6:30-8:00pm

Develop Your Back up Plan

We have all had to learn to be flexible and pivot during the last two years. Learn how to create a plan B in case things don't work out as planned. Learn how to effectively take your in-person programming to virtual programming in a few easy steps.

Hey there horse enthusiasts! Do you have a passion for the 4-H Equine program and want to give back to the community by sharing your gifts and experience with others? The California 4-H Equine Program is looking for Adult Volunteers and Youth Members to lead specific state-level Equine events and would like you to consider joining the Equine Statewide Planning Team.

The Equine Statewide Planning Team is a group of volunteers and youth members who want to use/develop their event planning skills by leading a team in planning and operating one of our state equine events. Below is a list of current Planning Team positions that we are still recruiting for:

- Horse Classic (Adult Volunteer)
- Hippology Contest (Youth Member)
- Equine Public Speaking Contest (Adult Volunteer & Youth Member)
- Event Marketing (Adult Volunteer)

So, if you are a youth members (ages 14 and up) or an adult volunteers that is ready to get off the fence, Quit stalling! Apply to the Equine Statewide Planning Team by **December 15, 2021** and make a difference in the 4-H Equine community today!

To learn more about this team and apply for one of these positions, visit us online at ucanr.edu/sites/4H_Equine/Volunteer_Opportunities/.

[Apply by December 15, 2021](#)

New State Advisory Committee: Clothing & Textile

Clothing and Textile projects have a long-standing tradition in the 4-H Youth Development program and have supported youth in developing their skills and understanding of sewing construction and how to make clothing and accessories.

These skills position participants to develop skills in design and fashion illustration, business and marketing, technology in sewing, and learn about careers in the textile industry.

The Advisory Committee will be a diverse group of youth and adult volunteers who will ensure the 4-H Clothing & Fashion projects and activities utilize best practices, to help 4-H members grow their abilities and self-efficacy.

Commitment: first term will be 18 months - through June 30, 2023

[Committee Description](#)

[Apply for Clothing & Textiles Committee](#) by **December 17, 2021**

Clothing & Textiles
4-H State Advisory Committee

This opportunity is for

- 4-H Youth ages 14-19
- 4-H Adult Volunteers
- 4-H Young Alumni
- Community Partners

Promote, advance and encourage project growth and participation in 4-H Clothing & Textile projects, including county and State Fashion Revue events.

Apply by December 17, 2021
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2022 4-H STEM "Shark Tank"

May TBD 2022, 2:00-4:00pm

Science & Engineering to Solve Global Issues
Young people are entering a world facing science-related challenges: feeding a growing population, finding cleaner ways to produce energy, and sustainability of natural ecosystems, which will require innovative solutions and inventions. The California 4-H STEM Shark Tank is an opportunity for 4-H members (aged 9 to 18) to design and propose hypothetical or working solutions/inventions to address these issues.



Exhibition for youth aged 9 to 18

Track 1 - Hypothetical Solutions or Inventions - Register by May 1, 2022

Youth (individual or teams) select a global issue, register for the 4-H Shark Tank, and create a hypothetical (imaginary) invention/solution. Youth prepare images, digital slides, posters, or models to share their solution/invention. At the event, youth have 2 minutes to pitch their solution/invention to the expert panel.

Track 2 - Working Invention/Solution Prototypes - Register by January 10, 2022 by emailing smworker@ucanr.edu.

In Fall 2021, a team of youth (at least 2 youth) and an adult 4-H volunteer project leader select a global issue, prepare a written design, and register for the 4-H Shark Tank by December 10. Selected teams will receive up to \$2,000 to build and test their prototype in Winter & Spring 2022. At the event, youth will display all day to the public and then have a dedicated 10 minutes to exhibit their working solution/invention to the expert panel.

Palos Verdes Peninsula 4H Club - Two Veterinarians from the County Health Department under the USDA came out yesterday to the PVP 4H small livestock and took swabs of our poultry to see if they



have Newcastle disease, Avian Flu or Merck disease. Explained about vaccinations and prevented care of your flocks





Los Angeles County 4H Community Service Project

"I pledge...my hands to larger service."

Make a difference in our county by collecting much-needed supplies for the homeless!
What?

We are collecting gallon-sized, re-sealable storage bags, filled with important personal hygiene items. If possible, decorate the bags with 4H sayings and emblems, using permanent markers. Feel free to add personal messages of encouragement as well. Then, fill the bags with some or all of the following items: toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, lip balm, sunscreen, deodorant, hand sanitizer, lotion, and travel-sized facial tissues. Small-size items are ideal, but full-size items are also accepted.

When?

Please deliver all the bags to one of the LA County 4H offices by February 1st, 2022.

For Whom?

All the bags will be taken to the Los Angeles Mission and will be distributed to the homeless.

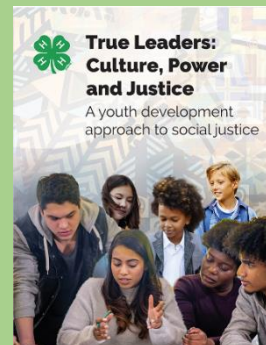
If you have any questions, please contact one of your County All-Star Ambassadors:

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The True Leaders: Culture, Power and Justice curriculum was designed to engage youth in critical dialogue and collective action in order to contribute to a more empathetic and just society. Youth have an incredible opportunity to see the world as bigger than themselves. This curriculum offers dynamic opportunities for youth to explore their identities, different cultures, new perspectives, and the histories that have shaped power and privilege within our communities. Youth will engage with peers, adult support systems, and communities to increase the resources and tools they need to advocate for positive community change.



Los Angeles County 4-H Emerald Star Program

The Emerald Star is an award given to a 4H member for planning and implementing an advanced leadership activity. Emerald Star is separate from any star rank. Emerald Star is not a 4-H rank. It has been designed to encourage members to plan and execute a goal outside the member's Community Club. The Emerald Star is for experienced 4-H members who have been in 4-H for at least two years and are at least 13 years old, as of Dec. 31st of the current program year. Each Emerald Star application will be evaluated for its value to the LA County 4-H Program, value to the community, practicality and feasibility.



Diamond Clover Awards

The California Diamond Clover is the highest achievement for which a 4-H youth member and young adult volunteers are recognized. All youth members and young adult volunteer who achieve the requirements are eligible to receive this award.



Awardees receive the California Diamond Clover Pin or Necklace Charm, a certificate and a recognition letter from the 4-H Statewide Director.

Applications are accepted year-round. Applications are reviewed by the 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee and awarded quarterly.

Get to know 4-H



[Definition of common 4-H terms](#)



[Star rankings meaning and how to achieve them](#)



[Guide for developing hands-on activities](#)



[4-H Guide for ALL families in California](#)

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