

Nevada County 4-H County Ambassador Application

Name _____ Age on December 31st _____

Club/Unit/Program _____ Years in 4-H _____

Member Email Address _____

Member Home Phone _____ Member Cell Phone _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Home Phone _____ Parent/Guardian Cell Phone _____

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

Complete applications (including this form and the components listed on the next page) are due to the Nevada County 4-H Office by the due date. Incomplete applications will not be considered for evaluation. Letters of recommendation may be emailed to Jill Simmons, jcsimmons@ucanr.edu. Packets may also be emailed to Jill Simmons.

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 Ambassador.

Signature of Certifying Adult _____ Date _____

Printed Name of Adult _____ Role/Title _____

Email Address _____ Phone Number _____

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

Nevada County 4-H County Ambassador Application Requirements

1. Essays: respond to the following prompts in three separate essays. Each essay should be no longer than 300 words and can be typed or handwritten.

- ☐ Why do you want to become a 4-H County Ambassador?
- ☐ What do you hope to gain from your County Ambassador experience?
- ☐ What do you hope to give to 4-H from your County Ambassador experience?

2. Resume: Show leadership, civic engagement skills, and personal/professional development.

- ☐ Resume

3. Written Evidence of Leadership Experience and Skills (first five OR Gold Star Rank):

- ☐ *Mastery of a project:* A minimum of 6 hours of instruction, supported by a skills statement.
- ☐ *Significant leadership roles:* 40 hours, with at least 10 hours within 4-H.
- ☐ *Civic Engagement and/or community service:* 30 hours, with at least 6 hours through 4-H.
- ☐ *Public speaking engagements:* 10 total, including at least 2 at 4-H events.
- ☐ *Involvement in 4-H:* A list of 15 activities, which may include project skill activities, attendance at 4-H events, honors, and recognition.

Note: Definitions for project skill activities, 4-H events attended, honors, and recognition can be found in the California 4-H Record Book Manual. Applicants may use the PDR or the Summary of 4-H Work form to demonstrate completing at least 15 activities items in the Achievement Program. Completing a PDR or an Emerald Star I, Emerald Star II, or Impact Star Achievement form is not an application requirement for County Ambassador.

OR

- ☐ *Achievement of a Gold Star Rank:* confirmed by a signed and dated Star Rank chart or other relevant documentation.

4. Three (3) Letters of Recommendation:

- ☐ *One letter:* From a 4-H youth member.
- ☐ *Two letters:* From adults who know your leadership experience, skills, and character. At least one of the letters must be from a 4-H adult who knows your skills and character demonstrated within 4-H.

Note: Recommendations may not be from a parent/guardian, sibling or other family member residing in the same household as the applicant.

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