



Monterey County 4-H Ambassador Program Coach

County Ambassador coaches will serve at least a one-year term, with eligibility for reappointment each year. Applicants will go through an application and selection process, and must be a 4-H Adult Volunteer prior to serving as a coach. The application process for returning coaches is to submit intent to continue as a coach by the county deadline and go through the selection process. For the 2024-2025 year, coaches should be part of the Ambassador interview process on Friday, May 24th.

Coach Role

The Coach's role is one of partnering and collaborating with County Ambassadors to implement best practices in positive youth development. Best practices include but are not limited to: setting group agreements at the beginning of the term as to how the group will function, facilitating educational components of the program and allowing youth to facilitate meetings and rotating leadership responsibility. A Coach should be flexible when working with County Ambassadors. Also, depending on the County's program, being a Coach could involve significant time commitments.

Coaches are expected to:

- Chaperone events and conferences when County Ambassadors are present.
- Partner with the County Ambassador team to coordinate meetings.
- Provide guidance to and collaborate with the County Ambassador team to ensure the team has clear, reasonable and attainable goals.
- Facilitate good communications between the coaches and the team, as well as between team members.
- Ensure that the team considers possible resources, including content experts, to accomplish the team's goals.
- Be knowledgeable of 4-H policies and ensure that the policies are followed. (The UCCE 4-H Program Representative or 4-H Advisor is a resource for policy interpretations.)
- Work in tandem with 4-H Staff to provide the leadership program outlined. Must be able to communicate ideas, respond directly to questions and issues and, maintain a working calendar that supports the team.



Application Form

(Additional page(s) may be used to answer the questions by attaching them to this form.)

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

By checking the boxes below, you are agreeing to each of the following:

- I am at least 21 years old.
- I am currently an active 4-H volunteer.
- I have the ability to travel and drive youth to events
- I am not a parent or sibling of a current County Ambassador or related to the other coach.

1. Briefly explain your previous involvement with 4-H.

2. Please describe any special training, skills or interests that qualify you for the position.



3. Briefly discuss your understanding and commitment to youth-adult partnerships.

4. Are there any other comments that you would like to make pertinent to your consideration as a coach?

Please return to the UCCE/4-H Office

This application will be reviewed and approved by 4-H Program staff to find the best possible candidates. Ideally, 2 coaches should be selected to ensure the youth-adult safety ratio is met. Other opportunities such as being a guest speaker, chaperone, fundraiser or a resource adult may be considered.

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