

# SANTA CRUZ COUNTY 4-H ALL STAR

## Requirements, Responsibilities, Application and Contract



An All Star is the highest rank that a 4-H member can achieve at the County level. All 4-H All Stars act as visible, distinguished 4-H members—role models for their fellow 4-H members, their county, sectional, state, and other organizations within their communities. The goal of the All Star program is to offer additional resources and opportunities for leadership development and life skills to senior members who attain an advanced level of accomplishment within the program. It is a special honor awarded to those 4-H members that have excelled in their project and club work, served their county program in other ways, and been deemed worthy of representing their fellow 4-Hers at the county level. The 4-H County All Star is a working honor requiring honorees' to assist, plan and/or carryout various county level projects, events, and ceremonies throughout their term year, as well as, complete a special project of their own. All Stars must be able to work as a team to complete all responsibilities should there be more than one All Star awarded for the program year. To become a Santa Cruz County 4-H All Star, you must meet the requirements listed below.

### REQUIREMENTS

1. Maintain current enrollment in the 4-H program, both year of application and the coming year.
2. Be in good standing at club and county levels.
3. Be at least 15 years of age by January 1 of the application year.
4. Have completed three years of club work. (*Current year can count as number three*)
5. Have already attained the Gold Star Rank.
6. Junior or Teen Leader, past or present.
7. Must turn in a 4-H Record Book on the *California 4-H Record Book Report forms* and submit to a personal interview and a group interview.
8. Have demonstrated leadership abilities, citizenship concern, maturity of judgment, and the ability to work with groups/teams (i.e. LCORT, SLC, Citizenship Focus, camp, Jr/Teen leader committee and/or weekend etc...).
9. Have made contributions to the maintenance and expansion of the 4-H program.
10. Must attend the State Leadership Conference and participate in the All Star Orientation there.
11. Submit two letters of recommendation one from a 4-H Volunteer-- *one from 4-H Volunteer and one from a person outside 4-H (teacher, clergy, long-time friend). Envelopes must be sealed.*
12. Complete and turn in to the 4-H county office( by March 1<sup>st</sup>) the complete application, contract and letters of recommendation.
13. Give a report to the County Council, after selection, describing the All Star project to be completed.

### **All Star/County 4-H Ambassador Responsibilities 2016-2017**

The All Star/Ambassador Team works together at all times. They represent our county everywhere they go. What does Santa Cruz County Expect of this team? As with the California State Ambassadors, it is broken down into several categories:

#### **Plan**

1. Assist the committee/chair of Awards day/night in the planning, implementation, and emcee duties at 3 or more county 4-H events (such as County Presentation Day, Interview Day, and/or Awards Ceremony.)

#### **Promote**

1. Identify, promote, and attend at least 3 4-H outreach events in the community, inviting the larger 4-H community to participate with you in the outreach. (Parades, information booths at public events, petting zoos, etc. etc.)
2. Create the All-Star/Ambassador fair panel, as an All-Star/Ambassador team
3. Assist in the promotion of 4-H events outside of our County to the Youth of our County. (State Field Day, Focus events, Leadership Conferences, etc.)

#### **Teach**

1. Attend the LCORT conference as part of the teaching team, leading the group.
2. Mentor younger Leadership Team members so they will be able to become All Star Ambassadors themselves if they choose.
3. Attend 80% of leadership team meetings.
4. Put on, make decisions, and lead the Leadership Team, with the assistance of the All-Star/Ambassador Advisor that the All Stars have chosen. The Leadership team is made up of Jr. and Teen Leaders and Club officers, at least 12 years old.

#### **Advocate and Advise**

1. At least one All-Star/Ambassador will be present at a minimum of 80% of all County Council meetings. All-Star/Ambassadors will alternate and coordinate their attendance, so that each all star is present for their share of Council meetings.
2. Attend and work any joint fund-raisers for the Teen Leadership account.

#### **Enrichment**

1. Attend State Leadership Conference, as well as any events at SLC that are specific to All-Stars/County Ambassadors.
2. Consider attendance at other 4-H enrichment events, such as California Focus, Citizenship Washington Focus, Western Regional Leadership Conference, National 4-H Conference, etc.

### **Article IX**

#### **Nondiscrimination Statement**

The University of California prohibits discrimination or harassment of any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, pregnancy (including childbirth, and medical conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth), physical or mental disability, medical condition (cancer-related or genetic characteristics), ancestry, marital status, age, sexual orientation, citizenship, or service in the uniformed services (as defined by the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994: service in the uniformed services includes membership, application for membership, performance of service, application for service, or obligation for service in the uniformed services) in any of its programs or activities.

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Approved by Santa Cruz County Council, April, 2016



## SANTA CRUZ COUNTY 4-H ALL-STAR APPLICATION and CONTRACT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Star Rank Achieved: \_\_\_\_\_ Award Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Junior and/or Teen Leadership work: \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions to the 4-H program (Other Leadership, Citizenship, Project work), \_\_\_\_\_

Examples of Leadership, Citizenship work outside of 4-H \_\_\_\_\_

Essay: In a brief, one page essay, summarize what you have learned in 4-H and what contributions to the Santa Cruz County 4-H Program you plan to make as an All-Star.

I can attend the 4-H State leadership Conference held in August and participate in the All Star orientation held there: Yes/No

As a potential Santa Cruz County All Star... (Please initial each statement)

\_\_\_\_ I understand that it is an honor and privilege to serve a SCC 4-H All Star.

\_\_\_\_ I will strive to be a positive role model, showing sincere interest and compassion for all 4-H members.

\_\_\_\_ I will be a team player, offering my full support to the All Star team, agreeing to "give and take" in my role as a participant.

\_\_\_\_ I agree to show respect to the All Star Advisor, other All Star Team members and leaders I am involved with this year, being a positive and helpful team player.

\_\_\_\_ I agree to be an active participant in the "All Star Project" as it unfolds.

\_\_\_\_ I agree to assist at a minimum of four county wide events this year.

\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand the Santa Cruz County Requirements and Responsibilities listed above

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Community Club Leader