

RECOGNITION OF SENIOR 4-H MEMBERS

GOLD STAR AWARD

The Gold Star Award is the highest 4-H award given at the county level. It is awarded each year to one(1) or two(2) deserving senior 4-H members in Haskell County based on their total 4-H career. Any 4-H member not meeting the minimum eligibility will not be considered for the award.

- Eligibility:**
1. Must be 14 years of age as of August 31 of the current 4-H year and not have passed his or her 19th birthday as of August 31 of the current 4-H year.
 2. The 4-H member must have completed at least 3 years in 4-H including the current year.
 3. The 4-H member must submit a 4-H Recordbook in the year he or she is to be considered for the Gold Star Award.
 4. A member may receive the Gold Star Award only one time.
 5. During his/her years in 4-H, the 4-H member must have:
 - a. completed projects in three (3) different project areas
 - b. participated in three (3) or more different activities

Listed below are some examples (other activities may also apply):

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| *Method Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks | *Leadership Lab |
| *Contests | *Community Service Activities |
| *Projects/Project Exhibits | *Held leadership roles at club level |
| *Camps | |

**Note: It is not expected that the requirements for projects and activities all be completed in the current year. They may have been accomplished over the entire period of time the 4-H'er has been in the program.*

- Materials Required:**
1. Application
 2. 4-H Recordbook
 3. Letter of Recommendation from a 4-H Leader

- Rules:**
1. Must meet all requirements listed under eligibility
 2. Must complete an interview with judges

Selection by: Out of county judges will conduct interview and review 4-H Recordbook and Application.

- Judging Criteria:**
1. Achievement
 - *Includes completing projects, participation in county, district and state activities, and local club involvement.
 2. Citizenship/Community Service
 - *Contributing to the well-being of your home, local 4-H club, county 4-H program, community, etc.
 3. Leadership
 - *Helping 4-H members one-on-one or in a group, teaching workshops, elected or appointed officer, teen leader involvement, etc.
 4. Interview

Suitable award will be secured and presented.

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SCORECARD FOR GOLD STAR AWARD

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY

ZIP CODE

TELEPHONE: _____

AWARD: _____

<u>SCORE</u>		<u>POSSIBLE SCORE</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>
RECORD BOOK	40%	40 points	_____
INTERVIEW	50%	50 points	_____
WRITTEN APPLICATION	10%	10 points	_____

AVERAGE OF JUDGE'S SCORES _____
Average Score

RANKING OF APPLICANT: _____

4-H Gold Star Award Application Form

1. Applicant _____
Last Name First Name Middle
2. Mailing Address _____

3. Parent's Name _____
4. County _____ Number of Years in 4-H Club work _____
5. Name of your 4-H Club _____
6. Age (as of Sept. 1) _____ Date of Birth _____
7. What project/s do you consider to be your primary area/s of involvement over the past one to four years? _____

8. What life skills (i.e. record keeping, public speaking, etc.) have you learned through this/these project/s? What did you enjoy most about the project/s? _____

9. What influence has your 4-H involvement had on your family? _____

10. What do you consider to be your most meaningful 4-H experience? _____

11. Has 4-H helped you in making future plans and goals? If so, what are your plans and goals at this time? (Example: school, career, family, project goals) _____

12. What is the most meaningful award/recognition you have received as a result of your 4-H involvement? _____

13. How have others gained from your leadership experiences? _____

14. What suggestion/s would you make to change your county's 4-H program and what would you be willing to do to help make this change? _____

(Signature of applicant)

(Date)

Return to the Haskell County Extension Office on the date that 4-H Recordbooks are due.
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POSSIBLE GOLD STAR
INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- How has 4-H affected your life?
- What has been the highlight of your 4-H career?
- Discuss your main 4-H project.
- Discuss other projects you have had in 4-H.
- Discuss your citizenship experiences in 4-H.
- Discuss your leadership experiences in 4-H.
- Why should you be considered for the Gold Star Award?