

**CADDO COUNTY AMBASSADOR APPLICATION
& ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS**

Name _____		Sex _____	Age _____
Address _____		City _____	Zip _____
Social Security # _____		Phone (____) _____	
Number of Years in 4-H 6 7 8 9 10 (Circle One)			
Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL XXXL			
Name Tag Backing: Pin Clip Magnet			

Being an Ambassador means an opportunity to serve, learn and exhibit leadership and initiative beyond the local club level.

All 4-H'ers choosing to become a NEW Ambassador are required to complete these four steps.

1. Complete this commitment form making sure you have the appropriate signatures.
2. Write your essay as explained below.
3. Determine your shirt size from the enclosed chart and name tag preference.
4. Mail your payment with the form or come to orientation prepared to pay for your shirt and nametag. *Payment must be made prior to or at orientation.* Please see the payment chart below:

The shirt is a nice Polo (golf) shirt with the words "Caddo County Ambassador and the 4-H Clover embroidered on the left chest. These shirts cost will cost \$20 and \$25 for the XXXL. The name tags are \$4.50 for the Pin and Clip models and \$7.00 for the magnet model. The name tag and shirt will give you visibility at 4-H events with a professional look.

County Ambassadors do not meet as a total group during the 4-H year unless a situation arises to make a meeting necessary. Letter or phone communication takes care of what needs to be handled. Orientation will have a sign-up for the "Volunteer Signup Opportunities" listed below. Currently, participation in a minimum of 50% of the service opportunities is expected of active Ambassadors.

Telephone Chairman: (Three (3) members are needed. Each will call 1/3 of the Ambassador members to inform them about opportunities or activity when decisions must be made on short notice.)

Ambassador Reporter: (Submits an article about Ambassador activity by the deadline for each issue of the County 4-H newsletter.)

Community Service Investigation Committee: Will have an opportunity to serve on a committee of 3 to 5 Ambassadors to investigate and report on one or more service projects to focus on this year as Caddo County 4-H Ambassadors.

Signup sheets for the following service opportunity events/activities will be available at orientation. You will sign up for a specific job and/or a specific time slot for the following Service Opportunities:

1. County Fair, September
2. Share-the-Fun
3. Talks & Illustrated Presentations

Reminder: To be considered active for the program year, Ambassadors must currently participate in at least 50% of the service opportunities listed above. There may be additional service opportunities throughout the program year as possibilities arise. The dress code for the 4-H Ambassador is the shirt described above, your 4-H county ambassador name tag, and dress pants (khaki recommended with

colored socks and dress shoes, no white socks or tennis shoes unless other accommodations are made for particular events).

Application Requirements:

You must be an active 4-H member for at least 6 years before you are eligible to apply for Ambassador status. Please complete the essay as described below. Your essay should be professionally completed (typed). The essay should be an accurate representation of your 4-H expertise. There is no minimum or maximum number of pages. Use your best judgment to show an accurate representation of your 4-H history. The essay will be judged and scored by an outside group of selected professionals in another part of the state. The selected delegates will be announced at the County Awards Banquet.

Essay should include examples from your experience as a 4-H member. Use this score sheet as a guideline.

<u>Points</u>	<u>Topics</u>
40	Describe what Oklahoma means to you. Include how you can benefit from living in Oklahoma and what resources your county has to offer you.
30	Describe how you will change or enhance the 4-H Program if you are selected as an Ambassador. Feel free to use examples of resources described earlier.
30	Why would you make a valuable addition to the county ambassador program and the state ambassador program if you were selected to represent Caddo County at the state level?

Everything I have stated in my essay is an honest representation of me and my dedication to the 4-H Program as a whole. By signing below, I attest total truth to the submitted essay.

4-H Member

I have reviewed this application and approve the points listed and enclosed essay.

4-H Club Leader

This 4-H'er has completed the required steps to be considered as a Caddo County 4-H Ambassador.

4-H Extension Educator