

## **Dallas County 4-H Awards**

### **2017-2018 Recognitions Defined**

**\*\*Please note:** all 4-H members applying for awards (other than Recordbook Pins) must be present at the Awards Banquet to receive recognition. All 4-H members must turn in appropriate paperwork and applications on or before **June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 pm** to our Dallas County Extension Office. Interviews will take place between **July 9<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>**. All awards listed below (other than Recordbook Pins) require an interview. \*\*

#### **RECORDBOOK PINS:**

To recognize 4-H members for completion of project work and 4-H participation. This is open to all 4-H ages: clover, junior, intermediate, and senior. 4-H members can receive multiple pins in one year, as long as the project is listed on the Project Report form. This project must have been completed in the current year, and fully explained in the 4-H member's Recordbook.

#### **Requirements:**

- The 4-H member must submit a Project Recordbook to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in at least one project area.

## **JUNIOR AWARDS**

### **(Grades 3-5)**

#### **JUNIOR ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD:**

To recognize outstanding first and second year 4-H members. The 4-H member must meet the requirements of, and turn in, a Rookie of the Year Application. This award may be received only once during the recipient's 4-H Career.

#### **Requirements:**

- The 4-H member must submit a Project Recordbook to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in at least one project area.
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities.
- The 4-H member must have participated in at least one contest either at the county, district or state level in the year he or she is to be considered for the award.

## **BRONZE STAR AWARD:**

To recognize outstanding achievements by 4-H members who are in the third grade to fifth grade. The member must have been in 4-H for at least one year. The Bronze Star Award is the most prestigious award given at the Junior level, and will be presented to the most deserving young people. Up to two 4-H members each year will be selected in Dallas County to receive this award. This award may be received only once during the recipient's 4-H Career.

### **Requirements:**

- The 4-H member must submit a Project Recordbook to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in two different project areas including submission of appropriate record forms and have participated in one or more activities at the county, district or state level
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities.
- The 4-H member must have participated in at least one contest either at the county, district or state level in the year he or she is to be considered for the award.

## **INTERMEDIATE AWARDS (Grades 6-8)**

### **INTERMEDIATE ROOKIE AWARD:**

To recognize outstanding first and second year 4-H members. Applicants may be of any age. The 4-H member must meet the requirements of and turn in an Intermediate Rookie of the Year Application. This award may be received only once during the recipient's 4-H Career.

### **Requirements:**

- The 4-H member must submit a Project Recordbook to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in at least one project area.
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities.
- The 4-H member must have participated in at least one contest either at the county, district or state level in the year he or she is to be considered for the award

## **RISING STAR AWARD:**

To recognize outstanding 4-H members who have gone above and beyond in their project activities. Showing examples of leadership, project growth, and 4-H promotion are a few of the ways this award recipient may have gone above and beyond in their 4-H year. This award may be received only once during the recipient's 4-H Career.

### **Requirements:**

- The 4-H member must submit a Project Recordbook to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have went above and beyond in their 4-H project activities (showing example of leadership, project growth and 4-H promotion)
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in three different project areas including submission of appropriate record forms
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities.
- The 4-H member must have participated in at least one contest either at the county, district or state level in the year he or she is to be considered for the award.

## **SILVER STAR AWARD:**

To recognize outstanding achievements by 4-H members who are in the sixth grade through the eighth grade. The member must have been in 4-H for at least one year. The Silver Star Award is the most prestigious award given at the Intermediate level, and will be presented to the most deserving young people. Up to two 4-H members each year will be selected in Dallas County to receive this award. This award may be received only once during the recipient's 4-H Career.

### **Requirements:**

- The 4-H member must submit a Project Recordbook to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in three different project areas including submission of appropriate record forms
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities.
- The 4-H member must have participated in at least one contest either at the county, district or state level in the year he or she is to be considered for the award.

## **SENIOR AWARDS** **(Grades 9-12)**

### **SENIOR ROOKIE AWARD**

To recognize outstanding first and second year 4-H members. Applicants must be between 9<sup>th</sup> grade and 12<sup>th</sup> grade. The 4-H member must meet the requirements of and turn in a Senior Rookie of the Year Application. This award may be received only once during the recipient's 4-H Career.

#### **Requirements:**

- The 4-H member must submit a Project Recordbook to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in at least one project area.
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities.
- The 4-H member must have participated in at least one contest either at the county, district or state level in the year he or she is to be considered for the award

### **DANFORTH "I DARE YOU" AWARD**

To award 4-H members in 9th grade or older for outstanding character. 4-H members may receive this award only one time. The requirements are the same as for the Gold Star Award and winners will receive an "I Dare You" book and certificate.

#### **Requirements:**

- The member must have at least completed, or be completing their 9th grade school year at the time of application, and must have completed at least 3 years in 4-H, including the current year.
- The 4-H member must submit a Project Recordbook in the year he/she is to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in at least three different project areas, submitted appropriate record forms, and have participated in one or more activities in at least three of the following areas:
  - Projects and/or Project Exhibits
  - Participation in Leadership Experiences such as Leadership Labs, Texas 4-H Congress, or National Leadership Events such as National 4-H Congress/Conference, and any county, district, or state leadership group.

- Competitive Events (judging, educational presentation, public speaking, food show, quiz bowls, etc ).
- Citizenship activities
- Camps at the county, district, or state level.
- 4-H Promotion (speeches, poster displays, radio, TV, newspapers)
- Other (includes exchange programs, fund raising)
- Note: The requirements for projects and activities do not all have to be completed in the current year. They may have been accomplished over the entire period of time the person has been in the program.
- The member must have exhibited leadership skills by serving as a 4-H officer or committee chair (club, county, district or state), and/or as a junior or teen leader in an activity or project with or under the supervision of an adult volunteer leader.
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities. Examples include providing leadership to a One Day 4-H project, working with or counseling junior 4-H members; participating in community service projects (individual, group or club); and motivating other 4-H members through participation in demonstrations, projects and/or exhibits.

### **LONE STAR AG CREDIT LEADERSHIP AWARD:**

Students in the 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades are eligible for this award. Lone Star Ag Credit would like to recognize two Senior level 4-H members each year who have shown exemplary qualities as a leader in 4-H and the community. Applicants must have completed at least two years in 4-H. This award recognizes 4-H members who are dedicated to *“making the best better.”* Award recipients are chosen based on their leadership experiences. For example, an ability to grow clubs, lead project groups, coordinate events in the community

#### **Requirements:**

- Submit a Project Recordbook in the year he or she is to be considered for the awards.
- The 4-H member must have showcased how they were able to lead 4-H activities to strengthen their local club or develop new ways of delivering 4-H in the community.
- During his or her years in 4-H, the member must have exhibited leadership skills by serving as a 4-H officer or committee chairman (club, county, district or state), and/or as a junior or teen leader in an activity or project with or under the supervision of an adult volunteer.
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities.
- The 4-H member must have participated in at least one contest either at the county, district or state level in the year he or she is to be considered for the award.

## **GRADUATING SENIOR AWARD:**

Graduating seniors for the 2019 year, who are members of 4-H, may apply to receive a Senior Award, to be presented at the County 4-H Awards Banquet. Seniors must have been active and meet the requirements listed on the application. 4-H members may receive this award only one time.

### **Requirements:**

- The 4-H member must submit a Project Recordbook to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in at least one project area.
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities.
- The 4-H member must have participated in at least one contest either at the county, district or state level in the year he or she is to be considered for the award

## **GOLD STAR AWARD:**

To recognize senior 4-H members for outstanding achievement. The Gold Star Award is the highest achievement award at the county level. Counties have award quotas based on the number of senior 4-H members. The award will be presented to the most deserving young people without regard to sex.

### **Requirements:**

- The member must have at least completed, or be completing their 9th grade school year at the time of application, and must have completed at least 3 years in 4-H, including the current year.
- The 4-H member must submit a Recordbook in the year he/she is to be considered for the award.
- The 4-H member must have completed projects in at least three different project areas, submitted appropriate record forms, and have participated in one or more activities in at least three of the following areas:
  - Projects and/or Project Exhibits
  - Participation in Leadership Experiences such as Leadership Labs, Texas 4-H Congress, or National Leadership Events such as National 4-H Congress/Conference, and any county, district, or state leadership group.
  - Competitive Events (judging, educational presentation, public speaking, food show, quiz bowls, etc ).
  - Citizenship activities
  - Camps at the county, district, or state level.

- 4-H Promotion (speeches, poster displays, radio, TV, newspapers)
- Other (includes exchange programs, fund raising)
- Note: The requirements for projects and activities do not all have to be completed in the current year. They may have been accomplished over the entire period of time the person has been in the program.
- The member must have exhibited leadership skills by serving as a 4-H officer or committee chair (club, county, district or state), and/or as a junior or teen leader in an activity or project with or under the supervision of an adult volunteer leader.
- The 4-H member must have participated in one or more community service activities. Examples include providing leadership to a One Day 4-H project, working with or counseling junior 4-H members; participating in community service projects (individual, group or club); and motivating other 4-H members through participation in demonstrations, projects and/or exhibits.

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