

ARKANSAS 4-H TEEN STARS

OVERVIEW OF PROGRAM:

The Arkansas 4-H Teen Stars Program is a recognition program for Arkansas 4-H members who have outstanding achievement in the areas of 4-H projects and activities, leadership, and community service.

Statewide 4-H scholarships are a part of the Arkansas 4-H Teen Stars Program. Each year Teen Stars who are graduating high school seniors will be eligible to apply for the \$1,000 Zack O. and Jennie D. Jennings scholarship. Scholarship applications should be submitted on the Arkansas 4-H Scholarship Application Form (FY4H-635 Rev.). The scholarships will be awarded at the Arkansas 4-H O-Rama.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

To be named an Arkansas 4-H Teen Star, a 4-H member:

- Must be 15 years old as of January 1 of the current year and no more than 18 as of January 1 of the current year.
- Should have completed two years of work as a 4-H member.
- Should be an active 4-H member at the time of application.
- Must display the following qualities:
 - Leadership ability
 - Integrity of character, demonstrating high moral standards and high goals.
 - Outstanding achievement in both project and service activities, ability to work with others, positive attitude, interest in the 4-H program, and a general interest in organizations and activities for youth development.
- Must submit application on correct form by date indicated. (FY4-H-139 as follows)

SELECTION PROCESS:

- Applications will be reviewed by a state committee.
- Each applicant will be scored on a standard score sheet.
- An applicant must receive a score of 80 points or more to be eligible for consideration.
- The point distribution is as follows:

- 4-H projects and activities	40 points
- Leadership and service	50 points
- Recognition	10 points

APPLICATION:

The Arkansas 4-H Teen Star application follows this information sheet. Much of the information needed for completing the Teen Star application can be found in the applicant's 4-H Record Book (if records have been kept). To assist in completing the application, most sections are referenced to the Arkansas 4-H Report Form. Applicants should not rely solely on the Arkansas Report Form to complete the application but should find reference to it helpful.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The tapping ceremony for the Teen Star program will be conducted at the Teen Leader Conference in June. Each Teen Star will receive a certificate and pin and become eligible to apply for a \$1,000 Zack O. and Jennie D. Jennings scholarship once they become a high school senior. Teen Stars are also eligible to apply for the Arkansas 4-H Ambassador Program.

DUE DATE:

The Information Summary for Arkansas 4-H Teen Star Applicants (FY4-H-139) is due in the state 4-H office on the first working day of March.