Matagorda County 4-H

2024 Bronze, Silver & Gold Star Application

2200 7th Street, Bay City, Texas 77414 979-245-4100

Applications Due by May 30, 2024

**Check One**

 **Bronze**

**Silver**  **Gold**

**Grades 3 -5**

**Grades 6 - 8**

**Grades 9-12**

**Name:** **Address:**

**Age:**

**Grade:**

**Number of years in 4-H:**

**Club:**

**Parents’ Name:**

**BASIC REQUIREMENTS**

 **Completed a record book this year.**

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 **Completed three (3) different projects during the year of application.**

**LIST UP TO 6 PROJECTS YOU HAVE COMPLETED THIS YEAR:**

**ACTIVITIES: (Please check) Applicants please check all that apply.**

**Number of years participated**

 Food Show

 Food Challenge

 Fashion Show

 Judging Teams: Livestock, Wool, Meat Judging, Horse Judging, Consumer Decision Making

County Fair - List Projects:

 Storyboard

 Photography

 Public Speaking

 Educational Presentation

 Jr. Leadership Lab, Leadership Lab, Crossroads, Texas Congress, National 4-H Congress/Conference (circle)

District Contests List all

 4-H Talent Showcase

State Contests List all

Please do not add additional pages. Include all information on these pages.

**Highlight project goals and learning experiences from this year and up to three previous years:**

**List all 4-H Leadership Positions that you have held - Club, County, District or State, from this year and up to three previous years:**

**List Community Service Projects you have been involved with because of 4-H, and the role you played from this year and up to three previous years:**

**4-H Awards Received:**

**Outside 4-H Experiences:**

**Applicant's Signature Date**

**For Gold Star Applicant's ONLY - If awarded the Gold Star, please check the award that you would like to receive the night of the banquet and indicate your jacket size:**

 **$500 Scholarship**

 **$350 and Belt Buckle**

**Jacket Size**

**REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIAL AWARDS**

**BRONZE AWARD** (2 awards given) (Completed Grades 3-5)

* Must be a Junior 4-H member and have at least completed 3rd grade school year at the time of application
* Must complete criteria listed in Level III of the Level of Awards
* Must complete and submit an awards program record book and application for Level III award
* Must complete and submit the Bronze Award application
* Must submit record book story with the Bronze Award Application
* Must participate in a personal interview with judges
* May receive the award only once in 4-H career

**SILVER AWARD** (2 awards given) (Completed Grades 6-8)

* Must be an Intermediate 4-H member and have at least completed their 6th grade school year at the time of application
* Must complete criteria listed in Level IV of the Level of Awards
* Must complete and submit an awards program record book and application for Level IV award
* Must complete and submit the Silver Award application
* Must submit record book story with the Silver Award Application
* Must participate in a personal interview with judges
* May receive the award only once in 4-H career

**GOLD STAR AWARD** (maximum of state quota will be given to applicants meeting the following requirements): (Completed Grades 9-12)

* Must have completed or completing their 9th grade school year, at the time of application
* Must have completed at least 3 years in 4-H including the current year
* Must complete and submit an awards program record book
* Must submit record book story with the Gold Award Application
* The 4-H member must have completed projects in at least **three** different project areas, 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.

* The requirements for projects and activities do not have to be completed in the current year
* Must complete a Gold Star application form
* Must participate in a personal interview with judges