

All Stars

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The word Star has many definitions, as does the word ALL. When we combine these two words ALL and STAR we think of “the very best,” the “cream of the crop;” the ALL STAR game, the ALL STAR team, etc. When we put FOUR-H in front of ALL STAR, the words take on a special meaning. To be chosen for a FOUR-H ALL STAR means you are approaching or have reached **maturity in 4-H**. In the words of Edward Strecker, “Maturity is a quality of personality made up of a number of elements. It is the ability to stick to a job... reliability... persistence to carry out a goal in the face of difficulties... endurance of difficulties, unpleasantness, discomfort, frustration, hardship... the ability to size things up, make one’s own decisions... a considerable amount of independence... maturity includes a determination, a will to succeed and achieve, a will to live... Maturity represents the capacity to cooperate; to work with others.... The mature person is flexible, can defer to time, persons, circumstances... can show tolerance, be patient and has the qualities of adaptability and compromise.... Emotional maturity is morale of the individual.” These are the characteristics looked for in choosing FOUR-H ALL STARS. It is more than the number of years in club work or county and state camps attended or projects completed or awards won; it is all of these PLUS those characteristics of maturity. Not ALL 4-H All Stars have ALL of these characteristics, but they should be continually striving to acquire them. ALL 4-H All Stars have many of these characteristics and many of them have all of them. If you have a goodly share of them and so conduct yourself that others are convinced that you do, then you are a MATURE person. MATURE 4-H’ers make EXCELLENT ALL STARS!

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ALL STAR SELECTION COMMITTEE

Every year two counties in each district are responsible for furnishing one All Star member each to the state All Star Selection Screening Committee, which meets at Jackson's Mill in late March or early June to review membership recommendations. **The county representatives must be All Star Life Members.** Below is a schedule for the counties with the years they are to provide committee members.

Northern District	Western District	Southwestern District
Ohio2009	Tyler 2009	Clay 2009
Marshall2009	Pleasants 2009	Wayne 2009
Monongalia2010	Doddridge..... 2010	Lincoln 2010
Marion.....2010	Wood 2010	Boone 2010
Harrison.....2011	Ritchie 2011	Logan..... 2011
Preston.....2011	Jackson 2011	Mingo 2011
Wetzel2012	Roan..... 2012	Kanawha..... 2012
Taylor.....2012	Calhoun 2012	Cabell 2013
Hancock2013	Wirt..... 2013	Putnam..... 2013
Brooke.....2013	Mason 2013	
Southern District	Central District	Eastern District
Fayette.....2009	Barbour..... 2009	Hampshire 2009
Greenbrier2009	Tucker..... 2009	Berkeley 2009
Raleigh2010	Upshur 2010	Jefferson 2010
Monroe.....2010	Randolph 2010	Grant..... 2010
Mercer2011	Webster..... 2011	Mineral 2011
McDowell2011	Pocahontas..... 2011	Hardy..... 2011
Summers2012	Braxton 2012	Pendleton..... 2013
Wyoming.....2013	Lewis 2013	Morgan 2013
Nicholas2013	Gilmer..... 2013	

4- H ALL STAR NOMINATION PROCESS

State 4-H Contact: Debbie McDonald
Chief, WV 4-H All Stars: Barb Teter

1. *Late Arrival.* Recommendation forms not arriving at 619 Knapp Hall, PO Box 6031, Morgantown, WV 26506-6031 by April 15 are not considered.
2. *Re-Nomination of Nominees.* Persons previously approved for All Star membership, but not taken into the organization, may be re-submitted on the appropriate form. Leave attached the cover sheets with previous chief signatures. Update both leader and member forms to include current year information.
3. *Nomination Forms.* Samples of Recommendation Forms for All Star Membership follow this article. The completed Transmittal Form, Recommendation for 4-H All Star Members, and the appropriate Record Sheet should be included with each recommendation submitted.
4. *Complete Information.* Blank spaces in the form raise questions. Taking the time to get complete information and placing it in the correct space will ensure proper consideration. Repeating information by putting the same information in two or more places also causes problems. Sort out the information and present it logically.

5. *Specific Information.* When possible, include number of years, number of projects, names of state, district, and county events, committees, and other appropriate data.

6. In some counties, an All Star group, committee or organization meets and selects individuals to be recommended for selection. Remember, by the WV All Star constitutional right, any All Star life member may nominate an individual for selection by completing the appropriate forms and submitting them to the county 4-H agent to sign certifying that the person meets all requirements as stated in the constitution. No county organization may have constitution/by-laws more limiting or contradicting the state constitution.

7. *It is **required** that the local county Extension agent, whether or not he/she is a member of the West Virginia 4-H All Stars, be involved in the selection process.* This includes being involved in collecting data, preparing it, and involved in meetings where discussion and votes take place. The signature of the Extension agent is to verify that the information for each individual recommended is correct.

8. Refer to the West Virginia 4-H All Star Constitution for technical information and definitions.

9. Sign the forms and check for complete information. Forward **with transmittal** form to Debbie McDonald, Director 4-HYD, WVU Room 619 Knapp Hall, PO Box 6031, Morgantown, WV 26506-6031 by the deadline.

The following documents are enclosed for your use.

They include The 4-H All Star by L.S. "Pete" Hartley, that gives philosophy about the 4-H All Stars; The West Virginia All Stars Constitution, that gives specific technical definitions about the organization; recommendation forms for membership and record of service; transmittal form to include with recommendation forms; selection committee rotation information, and executive committee names, addresses, and phone numbers. Questions about the All Stars nominations should be directed to WV 4-H All Star Chief, Barbara Teter at 304-636-0037 (H), Becca Fint-Clark @ 304-291-7201 or one of your district scouts.