Salute to Excellence
In Recognition of Outstanding Volunteerism
Less than 10 Years

Nomination Form – Volunteer of the Year

Applications must be received by August 1

Guidelines

1. Eligibility for the ***Salute to Excellence Volunteer of the Year*** is extended only to those who have served as a 4-H volunteer for less than 10 years at the county or state level.

2. In order for a volunteer to receive consideration, all completed nomination materials must be submitted to the State 4-H Office. A volunteer may nominate himself/herself for this award. Out of the pool of nominations, the State Advisory Board selects one nominee for the ***Salute to Excellence Volunteer of the Year***. That volunteer will be recognized at the State 4-H Forum Volunteer Recognition Banquet. The nominee will be asked to complete a personal essay about their 4-H experience and it will be forwarded to the National 4-H Council. One volunteer will be selected as the national award recipient, from among all the state nominees.

3. Three letters of recommendation, and a nominee application must accompany each completed application. A 4-H staff member, 4-H youth participant, another volunteer, or a parent/guardian must write letters of recommendation. Details concerning the content of the letters of recommendation and essay are listed below.

Instructions

Please submit the completed nomination form, photograph and letters of recommendation to the State 4-H Office. Submit the nomination materials to the State 4-H Office by August 1 to be considered for the *Salute to Excellence Volunteer of the Year*.

Mail nomination materials to: **4-H Advisory Board**
c/o Betsy Fradd
WSU Puyallup
2606 W Pioneer
Puyallup, WA 98371-4998

If you have questions please contact Betsy Fradd at 253-445-4543 or via email at: fradd@wsu.edu

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED

Thank you for your interest in *Salute to Excellence!*

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION
4-H Youth Development Program

Nominee Contact Information

Last Name	First Name		Middle Initial
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
Home Phone	Work Phone		Email Address

How many years has this person served as a 4-H volunteer? _____ years

Nominator Contact Information (if different from above)

Last Name	First Name		Middle Initial
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
Home Phone	Work Phone		Email Address

Instructions for Nominee Application

On a separate sheet of paper, please provide a typed essay that describes some of the 4-H projects and activities the nominee has been involved in. Please discuss:

- Nominee's positive impact on 4-H youth
- Explain any new programs or fundraising initiatives nominee created

This statement should be no longer than 3 pages in 12-point font with 1-inch margins.

Letters of Recommendation Guidelines

Please submit three (3) letters of recommendation for the nominee. The letters of recommendation should be written by a 4-H staff member, 4-H youth participant, another volunteer, or a parent/guardian, and address the following items:

- Work ethic and dedication to 4-H
- Demonstrated ability to work with young people
- Recruitment of additional 4-H volunteers
- Advocacy of the 4-H youth development movement
- Dedicated to youth empowerment or youth/adult partnerships
- Professional attitude, character, and morals