

2020 Nomination Form 4-H Distinguished Service Award

Sponsored by Idaho 4-H Volunteer Association

Recognizing outstanding <u>4-H adult volunteers</u> at the county, district, and state levels, who have demonstrated participation, leadership, initiative, and dedication to Idaho 4-H.

Nomination and selection procedures: It is the decision of each county to determine procedures for selecting their DSA recipient; however, this nomination form must be used if the nomination is to be submitted for further award consideration. It is emphasized that this award is the highest honor that can be conveyed upon a 4-H volunteer in Idaho, and, as such, the Idaho 4-H Volunteer Association recommends that nominees should not be asked to complete their own applications. Volunteers who have previously received the DSA at the state level may not be re-nominated on the county level.

Each county may submit a completed & signed nomination form, accompanied by at least two but not more than three letters of support, to a designated Professional Staff member in their respective District no later than August 31, 2020. From the nominations submitted, a selection committee should assign point values to each category using the DSA Selection Matrix. One DSA recipient should be selected from each district. The Selection Committee may then submit their district recipient's nomination form and letters of support, no later than September 15, to the Idaho 4-H Volunteer Association through Donna Schwarting at dschwarting@uidaho.edu. The Idaho 4-H Volunteer Association Selection Committee will select one State DSA recipient from district nominations. The Idaho 4-H Volunteer Association will choose the State DSA using this nomination form and the DSA Selection Matrix.

The Idaho 4-H Volunteer Association will present awards to county, regional, and the state recipient. In order for a county nominee to be considered for selection as a State DSA recipient or recognized as a county recipient by the Idaho 4-H Volunteer Association, the county must have paid its state dues for the current year.

*Please note: While members and volunteers are encouraged to actively serve their communities in a variety of ways, the DSA is an award that specifically rewards adult volunteers for their service to the 4-H Organization.

Do not attach any supplemental pages to this application.

Background information

Nominee's full name (Mr., Mrs., Miss, Ms.)		Phone (Home)	(Work)	
Address	City			Zip
Present occupation				
Number years as leader,	Name of nominee's club, if applicable	e		
Spouse's name				

Children's names and ages

COMPLETION GUIDELINES:

- Please complete the nomination form using BULLETED LISTS ONLY.
- Support letters do not need to be bulleted lists.
- The application may be submitted using a fillable PDF located on the UI 4-H website, or if needed, a typed form may be scanned and submitted. (Handwritten forms will not be accepted.)
- Completed form includes nomination form with signatures and support letters.
- County submission due to districts by August 31; district submission due to state by September 15 dschwarting@uidaho.edu.
- Use the DSA Selection Matrix to score the form.
- **A. SUPPORT LETTERS**: Can be submitted with this nomination or under separate cover.
 - A minimum of 2, maximum of 3.
 - Strongly urged that one letter be written by a youth impacted by nominee.
 - Address nominee's impact on the 4-H program, his/her attitude, initiative, and dedication to youth and 4-H.

B. NOMINATION FORM

- Give evidence of positive impact and level of participation at all levels.
- **C.** <u>SUMMARY OF ROLES</u>: Include roles held at club, county, district, state, and national levels. Include summary of years (Examples: Project, Organizational, Resource, Facilitation Coach, Chaperone, Committee/Council/Board Members)
- Task Force Member 10 years
- Swine Working Group Chairperson 5 years
- Budget committee 3 years
- Country Music Festival Fundraiser Committee 3 years
- Interviewer for Record Book Interviews 3 years
- Livestock Sale Working Group Chairperson 2 years
- Round Robin Chairperson 2 years
- Project leader 10 years
- Organizational leader 8 years

1.	EDUCATIONAL GROWTH IN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND SUBJECT MATTER : Please give evidence of continued education/training participation at a personal level as well as promotion of education/training for other			
	volunteers. (Examples: Participating in or helping to facilitate county, district, state trainings)			
•	Attended Empowered to Connect Conference			
•	Attended a Next Level Show Camp			
•	Put on educational clinics			
•	Mentoring of other leaders and members			
2.	VOLUNTEER/MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS : Please give evidence of innovative approaches to recruit and engage			
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3.	CHARACTER: Please give evidence of nominee's integrity, professional attitude, and dedication to safety,			
	teamwork ability, and respect for others.			
4.	COLLABORATION AND COMMUNICATION: Please give evidence of how positive relationships are built and			
	continued with members, families, other volunteers, and professional staff.			

C. <u>Signatures:</u>			
Selection Committee	Chair	County Extension Professional Staff	