



Chaves County 4-H Ambassador Program

The Chaves County 4-H Ambassador Program will strive to provide Senior 4-H members the opportunity to develop and practice advanced leadership skills relating to mentoring other youth and to becoming advocates for their selected ambassadorship area.

Mentorship. Ambassadors will conduct educational workshops for new and experienced members. Through mentoring, ambassadors will develop their public speaking skills as well as valuable relationships with other 4-H members.

Advocacy. Ambassadors will have the opportunity to advocate for their selected ambassadorship area by communicating with civic groups, social media, the radio and newspaper. In addition, ambassadors will be able to share their personal story of the positive impact 4-H has had on their life.

Ambassadorship. Ambassadors will choose their ambassadorship area when applying to serve. Historically, the ambassadorship has been limited to livestock, however ambassadorships are now being expanded to the following categories; livestock, shooting sports, and other project areas within Ag and Natural Resources and FCS.

Application. Are you interested in serving as an ambassador? Complete and return the county ambassador application by October 14, 2025 to Katy at the extension office or via email at kkwright@nmsu.edu.

Chaves County 4-H Ambassador Application

Selecting an Ambassadorship Area

What is a Livestock Ambassador?

Livestock Ambassador Specific Responsibilities

- Abide by the New Mexico 4-H Code of Conduct
- Participate in Tractor Supply events (Organize activities and recruit helpers)
- Assist with annual Ag-sploration and Progressive Agriculture Safety Day events - Spring
- Assist in coordinating and conducting Livestock Workshops with species mentor and Extension 4-H Agent
- Aid in planning and conducting Livestock Camp classes and activities with Extension 4-H Agent (including general care and showmanship workshops)
- Help recruit for and participate in fairgrounds cleanup prior to county fair
- Assist at the Chaves County 4-H & FFA Fair with livestock sale
- Write an article for the Chaves County 4-H Newsletter "Be an Ag-vocate!" page (Topic should be educational and related to your species)
- Complete an end of term evaluation activity

Additional Livestock Ambassador Opportunities

- Attend a regional livestock school track related to your species in the summer

Livestock Ambassadorships Offered

- Beef
- Dairy Cattle
- Goat
- Poultry
- Rabbit
- Sheep
- Swine

What is a Shooting Sports Ambassador?

Shooting Sports Ambassador Responsibilities

- Abide by the New Mexico 4-H Code of Conduct
- Participate in Spring Tractor Supply events (Organize activities and recruit helpers)
- Assist in coordinating and conducting Shooting Sports Workshops with mentor and Extension 4-H Agent
- Aid in planning and conducting shooting sports safety meetings and activities with Extension 4-H Agent
- Write an article for the Chaves County 4-H Newsletter "Be an Ag-vocate!" page (Topic should be educational and related to your shooting sports discipline)
- Serve as a youth member of the Shooting Sports Advisory Committee
- Complete an end of term evaluation activity

Additional Shooting Sports Ambassador Opportunities

- Attend 4-H Shooting Sports Youth Leadership Summit at the Whittington Center in March

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Selecting an Ambassadorship Area

Shooting Sports Ambassadorships Offered

- Archery
 - Rifle/Air Rifle
 - Hunting
 - Muzzleloading
 - Shotgun
 - Pistol/Air Pistol
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What is an FCS or Ag & Natural Sciences Ambassador?

FCS or Ag & Natural Sciences Ambassador Responsibilities

- Abide by the New Mexico 4-H Code of Conduct
- Participate in Tractor Supply events (Organize activities and recruit helpers)
- Assist with annual Ag-sploration and Progressive Agriculture Safety Day events - Spring
- Assist in coordinating and conducting project workshops with mentor/Extension 4-H
- Aid in planning and conducting project classes and activities with mentor/Extension 4-H Agent
- Help recruit for and participate in fairgrounds cleanup prior to county fair
- Write an article for the Chaves County 4-H Newsletter "Be an Ag-vocate!" page (Topic should be educational and related to your project area.)
- Complete an end of term evaluation activity

Additional FCS or Ag & Natural Sciences Ambassador Opportunities

Additional opportunities vary depending on project area. However they may include:

- Attending FCS School
- Serving as a FCS School Junior Instructor
- Attending NM4-H Horse School
- Serving as a Youth Official for the New Mexico State Fair
- Attending 4-H Day at the Roundhouse

FCS or Ag & Natural Sciences Ambassadorships Offered

- FCS Ambassador
 - Ag & Natural Sciences Ambassador
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Not sure which ambassadorship to apply for? Reach out to the office and we will help you find what best fits your passions and experience.

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***Due date for all materials is October 14, 2025. Please send to Katy Wright via mail, email, or turn into the Extension Office. 200 E. Chisum St Suite 4, Roswell, NM 88203 or kkwright@nmsu.edu**

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Cell Phone: _____ Years in Ambassadorship Program Area : _____ Years in 4-H: _____
Current Year in School: Sophomore: _____ Junior: _____ Senior: _____ Current GPA: _____

Criteria:

- Be committed to the position and willing to put the time and effort into all events
- Must be a sophomore, junior, or senior in high school (current school year)
- Have been involved in ambassadorship area for 3 or more years
- Must enroll in the Chaves County 4-H Program and have species you plan to show selected as a project. Example: If you are applying to be a Beef Livestock Ambassador you must be enrolled in the beef project.
- Have a 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher
- Attach with application:
 - High School Transcript
 - Letter of Recommendation (Non-family member)
- Interview with Extension 4-H Agent
- Must be available to serve from November of current year to September of the following year

General Responsibilities:

- Abide by the New Mexico 4-H Code of Conduct
- Participate in Tractor Supply events (Organize activities and recruit helpers)
- Assist with annual Ag-sploration and Progressive Agriculture Safety Day events - Spring
- Assist in coordinating and conducting workshops with mentor/Extension 4-H
- Aid in planning and conducting classes and activities with mentor/Extension 4-H Agent
- Help recruit for and participate in fairgrounds cleanup prior to county fair
- Write an article for the Chaves County 4-H Newsletter "Be an Ag-vocate!" page (Topic should be educational and related to your ambassadorship area.)
- Complete an end of term evaluation activity

Rewards:

- Gain life skills used to coordinate and conduct educational events
- Recognition at Chaves County 4-H Achievement Awards Program
- \$250 award received upon successful completion of 4-H Ambassador duties
- Receive polo shirt to wear at events
- End of year pizza party in August

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Select your specific ambassadorship:

Livestock:

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___ Goat

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___ Rabbit

___ Sheep

___ Swine

Shooting Sports:

___ Archery

___ Rifle/Air Rifle

___ Hunting

___ Muzzleloading

___ Shotgun

___ Pistol/Air Pistol

FCS (Family Consumer Sciences) Ambassador Project

Focus:

Ag & Natural Resource Ambassador Project Focus:

Tell us about your overall 4-H experience (projects, leadership experience, other 4-H related activities):

Use additional pages as needed.

Why would you like to be a Chaves County 4-H Ambassador?

Use additional pages as needed.

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Application Essay:

On a separate page, complete the writing prompt that aligns with your ambassadorship and attach a reference/sources sheet with your application.

- **Livestock:** Write about a current industry issue regarding your species.
- **Shooting Sports:** Explain why it is important for youth to participate in shooting sports.
- **FCS or Ag & Natural Resources:** Tell us what you have learned from the project you have selected and why you believe others need to learn about or participate in the specific project area.

Application Signatures:

In applying to become a Chaves County 4-H Ambassador, I understand the duties and responsibilities and have discussed them with my parents/guardian. I understand I must abide by the New Mexico 4-H Code of Conduct and I will have time to serve, and am willing to accept the responsibilities and duties of the Chaves County 4-H Ambassador, and will put 4-H as one of my top priorities.

4-H Member Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Application Completion Checklist

- ☐ Enroll in ambassadorship project area
- ☐ Have a 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher
- ☐ Attach High School Transcript
- ☐ Attach Letter of Recommendation (Non-family member)
- ☐ Complete all 3 application pages
- ☐ Complete & attach writing prompt and reference sheet
- ☐ Complete application signatures