

# Shining STAR Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club or FFA Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions: (200 words or less per essay)

1. What inspires you?

2. If you could be anyone in the world, who would you be and why?

*Attach this completed form to the front of the STAR Application and place inside of your scrapbook. Applications turned in without a scrapbook will be disqualified.*

*No late applications will be accepted.*

**2018 SHINING STAR Application Certification**

**Submission Deadline – November 49, 2017**

LAST Name		FIRST Name		MI	
Address		Home Phone	Cell Phone		
City	Zip	E-mail address			
Will you be exhibiting in 2018?	Y	N	Are you a current resident of Hidalgo Co.?	Y	N
Have you exhibited in STAR before?	Y	N	Are you a graduating senior?	Y	N
List all years _____		In public/private/homeschool in Hidalgo Co?		Y	N
Number of years in 4-H		Current 4-H member in Hidalgo County?		Y	N
Number of years in FFA		Current FFA member in Hidalgo County?		Y	N
GPA (weighted, 100 point scale) <i>4.0/5.0 scales must be converted to 100-point scale.</i>					
Currently in AP classes?	Y	N	4-H Club Name (If in both 4-H and FFA, enter both!)		
Currently in concurrent enrollment?	Y	N			
Counselor/Principal/School Official Signature		FFA Chapter Name (If in both 4-H and FFA, enter both!)			

I certify that the information contained herein is correct and truthfully reflects my personal, 4-H/FFA and academic background and records. I agree that, if any information contained herein is found to have been falsified in any way, my application will automatically become null and void, and agree to forfeit any award that I may be eligible for or have already received. I agree that I have read and will abide by scholarship rules and guidelines.

Applicant Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

**I certify that this applicant has been enrolled in the 4-H/FFA program during the required time frame as indicated by the eligibility requirements, and I recommend the applicant and his/her application to be considered for a STAR Scholarship.**

Club Manager/Chapter Advisor Signature	Date
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Assemble application in this order (staple):

- Application Certification
- Cover Letter
- Application Form

For official use only:

Date Received:	Received By:
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## 2018 SHINING STAR Application Form

Project Experiences (20 pts) – This section should reflect the years involved, knowledge and skills gained, the scope of your project, why these projects were important, and what impact they have had on you. The emphasis should be on quality of your experiences.

STAR Involvement (15 pts) – This section should reflect participation and involvement in previous years' shows. This includes exhibiting projects and volunteering at the show. Describe the extent of participation, placing, number of projects, etc. Volunteer work should also be described in detail.

Leadership (8 pts) – This section should reflect major leadership roles to include elected/appointed leadership as well as volunteer leadership. Emphasis should be placed on why these activities are important and what impact your involvement had on these activities and other people.

Community Service (8 pts) – This section should reflect community service activities, your level of involvement, and the impact that your involvement had on the activities and other people. Emphasis should be on quality rather than quantity.

Honors/Awards (10 pts) – Emphasis should be on the most important honors and awards that have been received and why those awards are the most important. This section should also reflect how these awards have helped your personal development.

Other Activities (4 pts) – This section should reflect your involvement in other activities outside of 4-H and/or FFA and why those activities were important to you. This might include other school, community, or church groups.