

WARRICK COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR PROGRAM 2023-2024

The position of Warrick County 4-H Ambassador is an honorary position designed to assist with the promotion of the 4-H club program. 4-H Ambassadors are expected to uphold the values of the 4-H program at all times during their term of service. The Warrick County 4-H Ambassador Program is under the direction of the Warrick County Extension Educator 4-H Youth Development and the Warrick County 4-H Council.

The program can require a great deal of work and it can be time consuming, depending on the event the Ambassadors are helping with. Before you make the decision to become an Ambassador, please take time and think about the commitment you will need to make.

Please consider the following questions as you think about becoming a Warrick County 4-H Ambassador:

- Can I work in groups, as well as on my own, to accomplish a task?
- Do I have an open mind and can I accept change?
- Will I be able to balance school, work, family, and other activities with my Ambassador duties?
- Do I have family support to help me with Ambassador Duties?
- Can I get transportation to and from different events?
- Will I be able to attend the required events as Ambassador?
- What will I be doing next year that may be a conflict with the Ambassador duties?

AMBASSADOR EXPECTATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- To be a positive role model to all 4-H youth.
- To actively promote inclusion and respect for diversity within 4-H programs and encourage youth to become actively involved in their community.
- To work with the Warrick County Extension Educator 4-H Youth Development and the Warrick County 4-H Council as an advocate of the Warrick County 4-H program.
- To participate in a series of educational workshops and planning sessions designed to better prepare me for my leadership role.
- To be on time to all scheduled commitments and meetings.
- To contact the Ambassador Program Leader and/or Youth Advisor if unable to fulfill my commitments.
- To wear the Ambassador shirt and/or name tag at all events/activities as designated by the Program Leader.

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- Possession and/or use of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco by 4-H Ambassadors at any time is prohibited. The 4-H Ambassador role is one of honor and prestige and requires that appropriate behavior be displayed at all times both in person and online (i.e. social media channels). Inappropriate behavior will be grounds for dismissal from the position of Ambassador. Decisions regarding inappropriate behavior will be made by the Warrick County Extension Educator, 4-H Youth and Ambassador Program Leader or representatives thereof.

The term of the Warrick County 4-H Ambassadors shall be from August 1st to July 31st. Examples of Ambassador’s responsibilities may include, but are not limited to: visiting local 4-H Clubs, serving as hosts of 4-H activities (i.e. Officers Training, County Workshops, etc...), helping out during fair week, and publicizing the 4-H program through personal contact, group presentations, and radio.

Application for the position of Warrick County 4-H Ambassador shall be made annually. Applicants will be limited to those who are currently in grades 7-12 as of Fall of 2023. Ambassador Applications for the 2023-2024 term are **due on or before Monday, November 20th in the Extension Office. You may submit your application by email to franz10@purdue.edu. You will be contacted via email when interviews are scheduled.**

Review the AMBASSADOR APPLICATION CHECKLIST below.

Have you submitted?

_____The application containing the signature of both you and your parent/guardian.

_____A separate page containing answers to the questions on your 2023 application.

_____A sealed recommendation from a 4-H volunteer who knows you and is not related to you, but knows your work.

_____A sealed recommendation from a non-4-H adult who knows you and is not related to you, but knows your work.

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If you are interested in applying for the Youth Advisor Position see requirements below; then check “Yes” on the Application.

Youth Advisor Position

Requirements:

- Must be in 10th-12th grade
- Must have completed at least 4 years as a 4-H member
- Must have served as a Warrick County 4-H Ambassador for at least one year
- Must be willing to devote a considerable amount of time and effort in order to make sure that the program runs smoothly

Duties:

- Schedule meetings
- Create meeting agendas in order to keep meetings running smoothly
- Set goals/duties for the year
- Ensure that the Ambassadors are being seen in the community through meetings attended, service projects, and/or events planned.
- Ensure that each Ambassadors’ skills are being used for any given project
- Present a monthly report to the 4-H Council on the activity of the Ambassadors.
- Be involved in the interview process (possibly be an interviewer, schedule interview date, secure interviewers, etc.)

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APPLICATION

APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY: Must be a current 4-H member and student in grades 7-12.

Name: _____ Parent/Guardian: _____

Address: _____ Town: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Age: _____ Years in 4-H Completed: _____ Grade: _____ Shirt Size: _____

4-H Club: _____ 4-H Club Leader(s): _____

Social Media:

Instagram: _____ Twitter: _____

Facebook: _____

Please consider me for the Youth Advisor position: Yes: _____ No: _____

Note: See page 3 for more details on the Youth Advisor position.

Complete this form **and on a separate piece of paper**, answer the following questions:

According to your school grade as of Fall of 2023.

Grades 7-8

1. What advice would you give a new 4-H member?
2. Describe your most interesting 4-H project and tell why it is important to you.

Grades 9-12

1. In one paragraph, describe at least 2 qualities you have that would make you a good Ambassador for the Warrick County 4-H Program.
2. Please describe the leadership activity from which you have learned the most.