

WARRICK COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

2026-2027

What is a 4-H Ambassador?

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 making the decision to apply to be an ambassador, please take time and think about the commitment you will need to make.

Consider the following:

- 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, sports 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?

Application Process

- The term of the Warrick County 4-H Ambassadors shall be from November 15th, 2026, to September 15th, 2027.
- Application for this position shall be made annually.
- Applicants will be limited to those who are currently in grades 7-12 as of Fall of 2026 and completion of the checklist.
- Ambassador Applications for the 2026-2027 term are **due on or before Monday, November 3rd in the Extension Office.**
- You may submit your application by email to hkellem@purdue.edu
- Once the application deadline passes all applicants will be contacted by Program Leader to schedule an interview with details around how to prepare.
- Acceptance/declination letters will be mailed out after interview date.

Ambassador Expectations and Responsibilities:

- Be a positive role model to all 4-H youth.
- Actively promote inclusion and respect for diversity within 4-H programs and encourage youth to become actively involved in their community.
- 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.
- Participate in a series of educational workshops and planning sessions designed to better prepare me for my leadership role.

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- Be on time to all scheduled commitments and meetings.
- Contact the Ambassador Program Leader and/or Youth Advisor if unable to fulfill my commitments.
- Wear the Ambassador shirt at all events/activities as designated by the Program Leader.
- Be able to attend meetings and events independently from parents/guardians.
- Parents/siblings are not allowed in meeting space.
- Take notes during meetings and follow up without prompting from Program Leader.
- Communicate via text/communication platforms independently from parents/guardians.
- 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 always displayed 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.

Events to attend may include, but not limited to:

- November 9th, 2026 – Panel Interview
- November 17th, 2026 – Monthly Meeting
- December 15th, 2026 – Monthly Meeting
- January 17th, 2027 4-8 p.m. - Monthly Meeting & 4-H Dance
- February 4th, 2027, 5:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. – Monthly Meeting & Officers Training
- February 20th, 2027 – 6:00 p.m. Achievement Banquet
- March – Meeting & Activity TBD
- April – Meeting & Activity TBD
- May – Meeting & Activity TBD
- June 5th, 2027, 12-4:00 p.m. – Monthly Meeting & Project Pals
- July – Meeting & Activity TBD
- Fair Week 2027
 - Tuesday 7/20 1-2:00 p.m.
 - Wednesday 7/21 1-2:00 p.m.
 - Thursday 7/22 1-2:00 p.m.
 - Friday 7/23 1-2:00 p.m. & 3-5:00 p.m.

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Ambassador Youth Advisor (aka President)

What is an Ambassador Youth Advisor?

- A 4-H Ambassador looking for a higher-level leadership role within the Ambassador program.
 - **Youth Advisor Requirements:**
 - Must be in 10th-12th grade
 - Must have completed at least 4 years as a Warrick County 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 to make sure that the program runs smoothly
 - **Youth Advisor Duties:**
 - Schedule meetings & activities
 - Create meeting agendas & leads meetings to keep meeting 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.

*If you are interested in applying for the Youth Advisor Position check "Yes" on the Application.

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Ambassador Application Checklist

**Due by 11/2/26 to the Warrick County Purdue Extension Office
or Emailed to hkellem@purdue.edu**

_____The below application containing the signature of both you and your parent/guardian agreeing to the expectations and responsibilities.

_____A separate page containing answers to the questions on your application. Prefer typed vs handwritten, but not required

_____One sealed recommendation from an adult who knows you and is not related to you but knows your work. Example: 4H leader, Teacher, Employer, etc

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Warrick County 4-H Ambassador 2026/2027 Application

Must be a current Warrick County 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: Do you have permission to use the following Applications? _____
Instagram, FaceBook, TeamReach

My parent(s)/guardian(s) and I have read the above 4-H Ambassador expectations and responsibilities. We understand if I do not follow (or have not in the past as a previous Ambassador) I might not be selected as an ambassador this year.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____
4-H Member Signature: _____

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

Complete this form **and** attach answers to the following questions:

According to your school grade as of Fall of 2026.

Grades 7-8

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

Grades 9-12

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