OZAUKEE COUNTY 4-H FOUNDATION YOUTH DIRECTOR DESCRIPTION

**Purpose**: The Ozaukee County 4-H Foundation, Inc. serves to provide the leadership by which the private sector of our county can contribute to enhancing a program of demonstrated and proven value to young people. Participation in 4-H provides the opportunity for boys and girls to gain new skills and knowledge and set goals for high standards for personal growth and development. We believe that by providing and serving more families with 4-H, the community in which we reside will be a better place to live.

**Desirable Skills**:

* Positive attitude toward 4-H and youth programs;
* Good communication skills, both written and oral;
* Interest in creating awareness of 4-H in Ozaukee County area business, civic and community organizations.
* Youth Directors will bring their perspective and experiences in 4-H to the board meetings and committees.

Potential youth applicants must be at least a freshman in high school and submit an application for review by the Nominating Committee. All applications are due by October 21st. The Nominating Committee shall select & present candidates for Board approval. The Youth Director term is for two (2) years with the possibility to reapply for a second term. Youth Directors are voting members for everything but Scholarship Committee decisions. Youth Directors shall take office on the second Tuesday in November and serve through the August Board meeting.

The Foundation meets four (4) times a year. February, May and November are breakfast meetings from 7:15 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. (current meeting location is in Grafton). The August meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the Pavilion at the Fairgrounds in Cedarburg. The meetings are the second Tuesday of the month unless otherwise decided by the Foundation Board.

Youth Directors may serve on any of the following committees: Promotion & Publicity, Budget, Audit, Nominating, Financial Advisory, or Strategic Planning..

**Benefits:**

* Development of personal leadership skills
* Personal satisfaction of seeing the 4-H Foundation grow and support educational opportunities for 4-H youth and adult.
* Increasing your awareness of the involvement that Ozaukee County area business, civic and community organizations have in 4-H.

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