

Taylor County 4-H Ambassador Program

4-H Ambassadors promote the 4-H program throughout Taylor County and Wisconsin. They learn more about 4-H by participating in a selection of activities (Part I) and they act as an ambassador through public relations activities (Part II). The 4-H Ambassador program is an opportunity to develop teamwork, leadership, and other important life skills that will make participants more marketable on applications and resumes. The 4-H Ambassador role runs from September to August of the following year.

4-H Ambassadors will be responsible for promoting the 4-H Program by participating in and completing parts one and two of the program. A record log must be kept of all activities completed (record log provided by UW-Extension office) and a signature of the supervisor of the event must be obtained. **Records must be turned in on the second Monday in September of the 4-H Ambassador Program year.**



Applicants must be 6th grade and above. **Applications will be accepted until the second Monday in September.** Up to 20 applicants will be selected and notified once all applications are received. 4-H Ambassadors will be recognized at the Annual Awards Banquet.

4-H Ambassador Application

Write a summary of why you wish to be a 4-H Ambassador, and why you think you would make a good 4-H Ambassador. Include your current leadership roles, your participation in 4-H, and examples of community service you have completed. Indicate on the back page of the application which areas you will complete as a 4-H Ambassador if you are selected for the position.

Indicate the items in parts I and II that you would complete if you are selected as a 4-H Ambassador.

Part I. Getting to know your county 4-H Program:

Choose at least five of the following to complete from part 1.

(Club level)

- Work with your club leader to develop a community service project for your community club to participate in. Have the UW-Extension office approve of the plan, and then implement it.
- Work with your club leader to hold a 4-H project meeting covering a project that you are comfortable teaching for your community club or county to show others what they can do with that project.

(Countywide level)

- Be a 4-H Camp Counselor (must be 9th grade or older, look for information in spring newsletters for application)
- Attend at least three 4-H Federation Leaders meetings
- Become an active member (attend at least three meetings) of the Youth Leaders Organization (YLO)
- Volunteer in at least two events throughout the 4-H Ambassador program year (not all events are held every year):
 - 4-H Discovery Day
 - Trick or Treat for the Hungry
 - 4-H Awards Banquet
 - Cultural Arts Festival
 - 4-H Officer Training
 - Dairy Breakfasts
 - Cloverbud Day Camp
 - YLO Soda Stand
 - Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs

Check with the UW-Extension office to see

about other events that might qualify. Also let the UW-Extension office know if you are planning on helping with these events so that they know how much help they will have with the event.

- Be a 4-H Fair Ambassador at the Taylor County fair or volunteer to help with at least three events during the fair.

(State Level)

- Attend Fall Forum and run for the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Leadership Council and/or present a seminar at Fall Forum OR actively participate in another State 4-H Event (must be approved by Taylor County UW-Extension office). Look for registration information for Fall Forum in late summer.

Part II. Being an Ambassador for your county 4-H Program:

Participate in at least two of the following PR events throughout the 4-H Ambassador Program year:

- Do an interview on the radio about a 4-H event and/or promoting 4-H.
- Write an article in the local newspaper about a 4-H event and/or promoting 4-H.
- Get permission from your school to go to a Taylor County elementary school and talk about 4-H to at least one grade level to promote the program.

Contact the UW-Extension office before going so that they can help you set up a time to visit or do an interview, and give you promotional material for Taylor County 4-H if applicable. Completing part II is encouraged to be completed by November to help increase 4-H enrollment.

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4-H Ambassador Record Log

Community Service

What type of community service project did you complete with your club? What did you learn from doing the community service project? What went well, what didn't? How would you improve the project if you were to do it again?

Signature of Club Leader: _____ Date: _____

Camp Counselor

What did you learn by being a camp counselor? What went well, what didn't? How will you share this experience with others in the community?

Signature of supervisor of event: _____ Date: _____

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4-H Federation Meetings

Which months did you attend 4-H Federation meetings? Did you participate in the meeting? What did you learn at the meeting? How is attending these meetings helpful to you as a 4-H Ambassador?

Meeting 1: Signature of Federation Member: _____ Date: _____

Meeting 2: Signature of Federation Member: _____ Date: _____

Meeting 3: Signature of Federation Member: _____ Date: _____

Youth Leaders Organization (YLO)

How does being in YLO help you become a better 4-H Ambassador? What are some of the events you have helped out with for YLO?

Signature of YLO Adult Advisor: _____ Date: _____

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Volunteering

Which events did you volunteer at?

- 4-H Discovery Day
- Trick or Treat for the Hungry
- 4-H Awards Banquet
- Cultural Arts Festival
- Dairy Breakfasts
- Cloverbud Day Camp
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs

What did you learn from volunteering at these events? How does volunteering at these events help you become a better 4-H Ambassador?

Signature of supervisor of event: _____ Date: _____

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4-H Fair Ambassador at the Taylor County fair

How has being a 4-H Fair Ambassador helped you promote 4-H in Taylor County? What went well while you were a Fair Ambassador and what didn't?

Signature of Fair Ambassador coordinator: _____ Date: _____

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State Event – attending Fall Forum and running for the Wisconsin 4-H Youth Leadership Council and/or presenting a seminar at Fall Forum OR participating in another State 4-H Event approved by Taylor County UW-Extension office

Which state event did you attend? What did you do at the state event you attended? How did your experience help you grow as a 4-H member, and how can it help you become a better 4-H Ambassador?

Signature of supervisor of event: _____ Date: _____

(Part II)

PR Events

Describe which PR events you chose to do and how the experience will help promote the 4-H program.

Signature of radio station member: _____ Date: _____

Signature of newspaper station member: _____ Date: _____

Signature of teacher: _____ Date: _____

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