**2022-2023 MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION STATE 4-H AMBASSADOR APPLICATION**

A 4-H Ambassador is an authorized representative of the MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Program. A 4-H Ambassador is a self-motivated, enthusiastic leader who promotes 4-H using the skills, knowledge, and leadership abilities acquired in 4-H with fellow members, area residents, community leaders, elected officials, and other young people. A 4-H Ambassador serves to strengthen the 4-H program through public relations.

4-H Ambassadors are youth representatives for the state 4-H Youth Development Program. Being selected as a 4-H Ambassador is an honor that carries great responsibility. Ambassadors serve as emcees, program facilitators, and members of county and state council committees. Mississippi 4-H Ambassadors are role models who uphold high standards in making the best better in their clubs, communities, country, and world.

**PURPOSE**

The 4-H Ambassadors Program enhances leadership, citizenship, and communication skills in teen leaders.

**OBJECTIVES**

* Make 4-H more visible in the county and across the state of Mississippi.
* Maintain and build relationships with 4-H alumni and supporters.
* Increase membership in the statewide 4-H program.
* Promote individual growth within members.

**SELETION CRITERIA**

* Applicants should be 14 years old as of January 1, 2022 and a senior-level 4-H member with a genuine commitment and enthusiasm to 4-H.
* Applicants should be willing to put a high priority on the responsibilities of serving as a State 4-H Ambassador.
* Applicants should have excellent leadership skills, be able to work as a part of a team, have a positive attitude, and possess outstanding communication skills.
* Must have academic performance that will permit being absent from school without seriously jeopardizing grades.
* Applicants should be in good standing with the local county 4-H program and an active participant in 4-H.

**HOW TO APPLY**

* Submit the following to your MSU Extension agent.to apply.
	+ 2022-2023 Mississippi State University Extension State 4-H Ambassador Application
	+ Cover letter explaining why you would like to serve as a Mississippi 4-H Ambassador,
	+ Current resume
* Your county Extension agent will submit all documents via email to Ms. Holli Mitchell, Program Manager: Center for 4-H Youth Development by **April 18, 2022, by 5:00 p.m.** Ms. Mitchell’s email address is holli.mitchell@msstate.edu

**SELECTION PROCESS**

* A committee will judge the applications. Returning applicants must re-apply.
* Applicants will be contacted if they have been selected for an interview.
* The selected individuals will be required to interview via ZOOM.
* Results will be announced during 4-H Congress.
* The judges’ decisions are final.

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***Submit this application along with resume and cover letter to your MSU Extension Agent.***

## Applicant Information

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| Years in 4-H: |       | County: |  | Club Leader: |       |

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| Parent/Guardian Name: |       |

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| What is your project area(s)? |       |

**Check Appropriate Box**

[ ]  **New Applicant**

[ ]  **Returning Applicant**

**Certification and Assurance**

**In the spirit of fair and honorable competition, I certify that I have personally prepared this application and I certify that it accurately and honestly reflects my work.**

4-H Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Signatures are required on each line**

I certify that this 4-H Member is an active participant in the county 4-H program and is in good standing in the program.

4-H Club Leader Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Extension Agent Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_