

4-H EVENT/OPPORTUNITY:

2012-13 Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council

DATE / DEADLINE:

Nominations/applications are due to the Fairfield County Extension Office by Friday, January 13, 2012. All nominees/ applicants should also register for and attend the March 10, 2012 Ohio 4-H Teen Conference.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council is a statewide group of 4-H teens and young 4-H alumni selected to provide a youth stakeholder perspective in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of Ohio 4-H programming. As a result of participation, Advisory Council members will develop knowledge, skills, attitudes and aspirations so that the Ohio 4-H program will be strengthened and expanded. Roles and Responsibilities of Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council Members include:

- Provide advice to State 4-H faculty & staff to improve, strengthen, and maintain the Ohio 4-H Program
- Recommend policy and direction for Ohio 4-H teen programs and opportunities
- Serve as a sounding board for Ohio 4-H program direction
- Identify and accomplish at least one Teen Advisory Council goal/ project per year to strengthen and expand Ohio 4-H Teen Programs
- Other responsibilities as determined by the group in cooperation with the State 4-H Leader

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SELECTION PROCESS:

1. 4-H professionals are invited to nominate one 4-H teen or one collegiate 4-H member age 15 or older as of January 1, 2012 to represent 4-H youth as a member of the Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council.
2. Approximately twenty Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council members will be selected through a review of application materials and letters of recommendation.
3. Candidates should complete and submit the application/ nomination form as outlined on the following page, in order for their nomination to be considered.
4. Those selected members will be invited to serve a one-year renewable term in 2012. Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council members who successfully complete their responsibilities during their first term will be invited to serve a second year in 2013. Criteria for selection will be potential for success in completing the roles and responsibilities outlined above, as evidenced by past performance in providing leadership and service to the 4-H Program, application materials and recommendation letters.
5. To apply, interested teens and young adults age 15-21 should:
 - ❑ Complete the information sheet on the following page.
 - ❑ Attach a short essay on this topic: *"Introducing _____(your name)_____, a Candidate for the Ohio 4-H Teen Council!"* Essays should be no more than one page in length, with at least 1" margins on all sides, and no less than 12 point font type (not less than 15 letters per inch). The essay should include a brief overview of your 4-H background and experiences, explain why you want to be an Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council Member, include your goals or contributions you hope to make toward the betterment of Ohio 4-H if you are selected, and otherwise let the reader know why you are a good candidate for the Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council.
 - ❑ Attach two (2) letters of recommendation: one from a County Extension Educator or County 4-H Program Coordinator, and a second from another unrelated adult such as a coach, minister, teacher, employer or other adult who has worked with you.
 - ❑ Submit all the items listed above to the Fairfield County Extension Office by January 13, 2012.

Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council Application/ Nomination: 2012-13

HOW TO APPLY:

- Complete the information below.
- Attach your response to this essay: *"Introducing (your name), Candidate for the Ohio 4-H Teen Advisory Council!"*
- Essays should be no more than one page in length, with at least 1" margins on all sides, and no less than 12 point font type.
- Attach two (2) letters of recommendation including one from a County Extension Educator or County 4-H Program Coordinator, and a second from another unrelated adult such as a coach, minister, teacher, employer or other adult who has worked with you.
- Send all the items listed above by January 13, 2012 to the Fairfield County Extension Office.

Name _____ County of 4-H Membership _____

Address _____
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Fax: _____ - _____ - _____ E-Mail: _____

Birth Date: _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

School _____ Grade _____ Years in 4-H _____

Have you been an Ohio 4-H Ambassador? _____yes _____no If yes, what year(s)? _____

Have you been a State 4-H Fashion Board Member? _____yes _____no If yes, what year(s)? _____

If you have never been an Ohio 4-H Ambassador or Fashion Board member, what comparable types of leadership and service to the Ohio 4-H Program have you provided? Please list examples in the space below:

Signatures

We certify that the all the information being submitted is correct.

Candidate's/Nominee's Signature _____ **Date** ___/___/___

Parent's Signature _____ **Date** ___/___/___

I approve this candidate as a good representative of the Ohio 4-H Youth Development Program.

Extension 4-H Educator/ Coordinator's Signature _____ **Date** ___/___/___