**Harvey County 4-H Ambassador Application**

**Deadline to be submitted to Harvey County Extension Office:**

**Friday, September 30th, 2016**

Full Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Years in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Year in School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Zip:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Please complete this application and return to the Harvey County Extension Office before* ***Friday, September 30th****. Additionally, submit a* ***reference form*** *from one NON-relative, adult reference with your completed application. References should be written by adults who know you well and can portray your strengths, but should not be relatives.*

**OBJECTIVES OF THE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM**

* To serve as a public relations group for the Harvey County 4-H Program.
* To promote and strengthen Harvey County 4-H Clubs and the county wide 4-H program activities and events – tell the 4-H story.
* A sincere desire to promote 4-H, willingness to interact with the general public, interest in improving one’s communication skills, commitment of time and energy.
* Organize 4-H promotion activities.
* Help conduct county 4-H events, informing and promoting in mass media.
* Act as a sounding board for 4-H youth ideas and concerns.
* Develop personal leadership skills and self-confidence.
* Help others develop leadership skills.
* Encourage financial support for 4-H

**REQUIREMENTS TO BE A HARVEY COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR**

*\*The Ambassador Program is a large time commitment for 4-H’ers and their families. Please carefully consider this commitment to the program before applying.\**

**Please initial by the following time commitments, signifying that, if selected, you will participate.**

\_\_\_\_\_\_ (If approved after screening) Ambassador Interview Night- Evening of October 11th, 2016

\_\_\_\_\_\_Harvey County Ambassador Training- October 16th, 2016, 3:00 PM

\_\_\_\_\_\_Harvey County 4-H Achievement Banquet- Nov. 12th, 2017

\_\_\_\_\_\_State Ambassador Training- Feb. 24-25th, 2017

\_\_\_\_\_\_Harvey County Fair- August, 2017

\_\_\_\_\_\_100% of Harvey County 4-H Ambassador Meetings

\_\_\_\_\_\_75% of all Harvey County 4-H Ambassador Activities as they develop

**AMBASSADOR APPLICATION**

* Must currently be in the 9th grade, but no older than the 12th grade.
* This is a one year term beginning at the October Ambassador training and ending at the following year’s 4-H Achievement Banquet (November).
* All information on this application will be kept confidential and review only by the Harvey County 4-H Ambassador Selection Committee.
* Please use ONLY the spaces provided to respond to the questions, **NO extra pages** are to be added to the application.
* Applications will be screened, and qualified candidates will be asked to schedule a professional interview planned for the evening of **October 11th, 2016.**

**Please answer the following questions about your interest in a 4-H Ambassador Position.**

1. List your major 4-H Projects, including activities and number of years in each project.
2. List and describe your public speaking experiences (4-H and non 4-H).
3. List and describe your leadership experiences in 4-H and other organizations.
4. What has been your most rewarding 4-H experience and why?
5. What things are currently happening in the Harvey County 4-H Program that you would be enthusiastic in promoting and why?
6. Please describe your ability to work with people, handle responsibility and initiative.
7. What is the single most important item to remember while representing Harvey County 4-H as an Ambassador?
8. Why do you want to be an Ambassador?

*I have personally prepared this application and believe it to be a true and accurate reflection of me. I’ve read, understand and will abide by the qualifications and requirements of being a Harvey County 4-H Ambassador as stated in the 4-H Ambassador Documentation mentioned above. I understand that there is a minimum time commitment of approximately* ***five hours per month*** *and I will be expected to participate as much as possible. I understand that failure to meet any of these requirements could result in my dismissal from as a 4-H Ambassador.*

4-Her’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**AMBASSADOR CODE OF CONDUCT**

As a participant in the Harvey County 4-H Ambassador Program, you will have the responsibility of representing Harvey County and Kansas 4-H Programs. In fulfilling this responsibility, certain standards are expected of all participants. The following guidelines represent the 4-H Ambassador Code of Conduct, which supports and re-emphasizes the 4-H Code of Conduct on your 4-H Participation form.

1. Work cooperatively with your Advisor, Extension Office Staff, Club Leaders, 4-H Participants, Volunteers and others in a courteous, respectful manner.
2. Attend local meetings and events in the Ambassador program.
3. Meet all deadlines.
4. Adhere to Harvey County 4-H Ambassador Policy; including age, training, and selection process.
5. Dress in required, appropriate Ambassador attire that provides a positive image of 4-H for each official event.
6. Be responsible to know and use language and manners appropriate for 4-H.
7. Be in the assigned role/program/responsibility/event area at all times.
8. Know that the use of tobacco, alcohol, and non-prescription drugs are illegal and prohibited in all 4-H events.
9. Practice respect and care of all property used. You will be personally responsible for any damage caused as result of your behavior and actions.
10. Represent the Harvey County, Kansas and National 4-H Program with pride and dignity.

***Parent/Guardian Agreement:***

*I have read and understand the Harvey County Ambassador Policy and State 4-H Ambassador Position Description. I agree to see that my child abides by them and I agree to support those in charge as they perform their duties.*

Parent or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club Leader Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Complete Applications Include:**

Ambassador Application Form (5 pages): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Sealed Reference Form (from NON-relative):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Applications will be screened, and qualified candidates will be asked to schedule a professional interview planned for the evening of October 11h, 2016. If you are selected for an interview, please list your time preferences for that evening.** *(15 min. increments from 6:30-8:00 p.m.)*

1. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_PM**
2. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_PM**
3. **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_PM**

**HARVEY COUNTY 4-H AMBASSADOR REFERENCE**

Deadline to be submitted: Friday, September 27th, 2016

*\*When completed, please place in an envelope, sign the seal, and give back to the 4-H’er to turn in with their application.\**

Reference for: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Your Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known this 4-Her? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What are some of the individual characteristics that you know this 4-Her to have which will make him/her an outstanding spokesperson for the Harvey County 4-H Program?

Please make a brief statement about this 4-Her’s ability to work with people, handle responsibility and iniative.

In your opinion, is this 4-Her reliable and dependable?

If you were in a position to hire this 4-Her, would you do so?

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Date Signature