



Cape Girardeau County Youth Liaison

Information and Application Form

Job Description

ROLE OF COUNTY YOUTH LIAISON

- **Become informed about what's happening in your county 4-H program**
 - Sit in on events like County 4-H Council meetings, to learn what's happening.
 - Collect feedback from your 4-H peers to answer the following questions:
 - What are the best parts of 4-H this month?
 - What's needed in 4-H this month to be the best it can be?
 - What are some ideas for making this happen?
- **Be the link between your county 4-H program and the State 4-H Council**
 - Communicate with your Regional Representative before and after each State 4-H Council meeting.
 - Get the scoop on state 4-H happenings and share with your county 4-H'ers.
 - Share what your fellow 4-H'ers think about the 3 questions above.
- **Help your 4-H Youth Specialist**
 - Represent *the voice of youth* at meetings and special events, when invited by your 4-H Youth Specialist.
 - Stay in contact with your Youth Specialist and assist them when you can.

QUALIFICATIONS

A County Youth Liaison should already fulfill the criteria listed below.

- Is between the ages of 14-18, as of January 1st.
- Is an enrolled 4-H member during the time they hold the CYL position.
- Must be in good standing with their community, club, and school.
- Must have a good knowledge of what 4-H is and its purpose as an organization.
- Must be willing to attend meetings, visit 4-H clubs or do whatever it takes to stay informed about your county 4-H program.
- A CYL term will run October 1 – September 30 (follows the 4-H year).

LEADERSHIP DUTIES

Throughout the year, the CYL's responsibilities will require the ability to:

- Help promote 4-H to youth within your county
- Commit to abiding by the County Youth Liaison Code of Conduct.
- Communicate with other 4-H'ers (texting and Facebook abilities a plus!).
- Share Council info about state 4-H events with the 4-H'ers in your county.
- Be a positive, enthusiastic 4-H representative.

County Youth Liaison Applicant Data

INSTRUCTIONS: Review the job description, complete the applicant data and sign the code of conduct. Then return to the Cape Girardeau County Extension office by September 27, 2019.

Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

4-H Age (as of Jan. 1 of current year) _____

Number of Years in 4-H: _____

Number of Years as a Clover Kid _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Why do you want to be the County Youth Liaison?

Please list any 4-H trips you have attended and the years attended:

What are the qualities do you possess which would make you a good County Youth Liaison?

What ideas do you have to increase participation in 4-H events and membership?

In 500 words or less, answer the following question (attach additional page if necessary): What impact has 4-H had on you and your family's life?

COUNTY YOUTH LIAISON CODE OF CONDUCT



The State 4-H Council follows a strict code of conduct, which demonstrates our commitment to 4-H values. County Youth Liaisons are asked to live by the same code.

As a County Youth Liaison, I will...

1. obey the laws of my community, state and country, and I accept responsibility for knowing them
2. stay 100% free from drugs, including alcohol and tobacco, and will not stay in the presence of others who are using drugs
3. take responsibility for my choices and accept the consequences of my actions
4. work cooperatively and respectfully with the youth, adult staff, and volunteers of Missouri 4-H and University of Missouri Extension
5. be trustworthy and reliable in carrying out responsibilities I've accepted
6. accept that I am a role model, and use the etiquette expected of a County Youth Liaison, including:
 - a. abstaining from public displays of affection that are not appropriate for the places I am in
 - b. dressing respectfully, and in a way that's appropriate for the task at hand
 - c. keeping my language appropriate to the environments I'm in, and avoiding profanity
 - d. showing up on time or early to 4-H meetings and events
7. use my best judgment concerning all situations involving my well-being, that of others, and the representation of the 4-H Organization

I, _____, am willing to fulfill the position of County Youth Liaison for _____ County. I agree to uphold the code of conduct for this position, and help link others to the opportunities found within the 4-H Organization.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____