

# Returning Gilliam County 4-H Ambassador Application

It is both an honor and a responsibility to be selected as a Gilliam County 4-H Ambassador. You are a representative of your community, Gilliam County 4-H, the Oregon 4-H program and a role model to all 4-H youth. This is a time commitment and leadership role. If you feel that you cannot commit to the responsibilities below, you might want to rethink being an ambassador.

## Criteria

- Must be freshman, sophomore, junior or senior in high school
- Must have been in 4-H for 3 years or more years
- Must be enrolled in the 4-H Program
- Must Maintain all school work & non-failing classes.
- Attach with application Letter of recommendation: (non-family member)
- Must be available to serve from October 1 – until member graduates from high school

## Objectives

- Develop personal leadership and communication skills and self-confidence.
- Model effective youth-adult partnerships.
- Change or improve the image of 4-H among selected audiences.

## Roles of a County 4-H Ambassador

- Represent 4-H to the public
- Be a role model to all 4-H members.
- Abide by the 4-H Code of Conduct: **any infraction is cause for dismissal**
- Promote 4-H to potential members and volunteers – make families and youth more aware of 4-H and the benefits it offers.
- Demonstrate the impact 4-H has on the lives of young people and the community.
- Promote 4-H to potential donors and give them opportunities to support the program.
- Be a resource to county and state 4-H staff.

**To apply follow these three steps:**

- 1.) Complete and sign this application.**
- 2.) Must have a letter of Recommendation every other year-Check with Office**
- 3.) Sign Code of Conduct**

Once all three steps are completed, mail or deliver your application to the Gilliam County Extension Office, by **September 30<sup>th</sup>** to be considered. Chosen applicants will be notified of acceptance by the end of September. No late submissions will be accepted. Deadline is final

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Projects: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Years in 4-H Program \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size (circle one)    S   M   L   XL   XXL

## 4-H Activities:

- Participated in a 4-H Presentation Contest
- Attended Oregon State University Summer Conference
- Attended other 4-H Events, please provide updated 4-H Resume
- Received County Medal(s) List all project areas for which you've received medals

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On a separate sheet of paper, please answer the following questions:

1. Give an example from last year as an ambassador that you did or role you served? This can be done in a list or a narrative form.
2. What are you most proud of that you have accomplished in 4-H? Explain what you did and how you feel it helped an individual/group/community. What did you learn from the experience?
3. Why are you interested in the opportunity to serve as a 4-H Ambassador again?
4. If you were asked to speak at a service organization's dinner, what would you say in your speech to address what 4-H is and how you have benefited from being a member?

I have read the Gilliam County 4-H Ambassador Application and I fully understand the role, expectations, and responsibilities of being a Gilliam County 4-H Ambassador. I would like to serve as a 4-H Ambassador for the coming year and am willing to devote my time and effort to this responsibility. I know this includes many communication opportunities, participating and assisting with county activities and events, and assisting with marketing the Gilliam County 4-H Program. I will make all reasonable efforts to carry out the duties and am willing to put 4-H high on my priority list for the coming year.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please remember to return your completed application by **September 15th**  
Gilliam County Extension Office 135 S Main St, PO Box 707 Condon, OR 97823

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### OREGON 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM-YOUTH CODE OF CONDUCT

The 4-H Pledge does a great job of stating what we hope young people will learn and do in 4-H. ***I pledge my head to clearer thinking*** –this means a 4-Her is committed to learning the knowledge and skills that will help them to make wise decisions, and develop independence, which is an Essential Element of 4-H. In doing the work of developing independence, a 4-Her must become committed to exercising self-discipline, and thoughtful action.

By signing this form, I agree to conduct myself in a responsible manner and abide by all expectations as stated:

1. Treat all people, places and things at 4-H events and activities with respect.
2. Behave in ways that are respectful to other members, adult volunteers, and program leadership.
3. Be caring; do not hurt other people or myself.
4. Treat animals humanely and provide them appropriate care.
5. Be honest; admit it and apologize when you make mistakes.
6. Be present and on time to 4-H program activities and participate in all scheduled sessions.
7. Cooperate with adult volunteer’s and Extension faculty and staff’s leadership. Contact the adult volunteer or Extension faculty/staff regarding any conflict or problems during the activity or event.
8. Use technology during free time, or in ways that contribute to the goals of the program.
9. Use good judgement in selecting clothing appropriate for weather and occasion, and dress in accordance with any safety requirements associated with specific activities.
10. Not possess nor use alcohol, tobacco, fireworks, weapons, illicit drugs, or medication(s) not prescribed to me or in a manner not in keeping with my prescription.
11. Know and follow the applicable policies of the Oregon State University, Extension Service, and guidelines of the 4-H Youth Development Program.
12. Behave in accordance with applicable federal, state, and municipal laws.

I have read and agree to the Code of Conduct above. I understand that if I violate any part of this agreement, I may be sent home from a 4-H activity at the expense of my parent(s) or guardian(s). I also understand that if I cause personal or public safety concerns, I may lose my eligibility to participate in some future 4-H Youth Development events, and/or my membership privileges.

Youth Name Printed \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_