



*Fashion and
Interior Design*

AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

2024-26 Texas 4-H Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador Program

*Application Instructions
Applications open March 1, 2024*

General Information

The Texas 4-H Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador Program provides senior 4-H members with a chance to enhance their knowledge and skills related to the 4-H Fashion & Interior Design project. This happens through relevant, hands-on training and exposure, with a focus on leadership, educational resources, industry commodities and trends, advocacy, and scholastic and career opportunities. By connecting with industry professionals, Fashion & Interior Design Ambassadors will gain exposure and recognition as youth leaders, while exploring the diverse career paths in fashion and interior design.

Ambassadorship is a two-year term. Every two years (even calendar years) youth will be selected to serve as a Texas 4-H Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador. In year one, those chosen will participate in summer training. In year two, ambassadors that are eligible and have met outlined expectations will have the opportunity to participate in a summer industry tour. Each year of the term, September 1 through August 31, ambassadors will provide a minimum of 40 hours of service.

Objectives

- Empower youth to serve in leadership roles related to the 4-H Fashion & Interior Design project across Texas.
- Educate youth through intensive instruction and experiences in higher education and professional settings.
- Provide opportunities for youth to serve in promotional, educational and advocacy roles for the 4-H Fashion & Interior Design project, and the fashion and interior design industries.
- Develop an increased awareness of career opportunities in fashion and interior design businesses.

Benefits of being a Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador

- Serve a statewide 4-H leadership role and provide input in the future of the 4-H project.
- Meet and interact with fashion and interior design professionals in higher education and the fashion industry.
- Play an important role in the 4-H Fashion & Interior Design project at the county, district and state level.
- Gain a greater understanding of fashion and interior design industry.
- Learn more about the careers related to the fashion and interior design industry.

Eligibility

- A senior 4-H member for the 2024-2025 school year.
- Be passionate for, and active in the 4-H Fashion & Interior Design project.
- Willing and available to serve for a two-year term. 4-H members entering the 12th grade can apply for a 1-year term.
- Provide a minimum of 40 hours of leadership and service.
- Attend the MANDATORY ambassador training.

Selection Criteria

- Demonstrate an interest for increasing knowledge in fashion and interior design.
- Willing to devote time and resources to promoting fashion and interior design subject matter.
- Ability to work with adults and youth in the 4-H Fashion & Interior Design programming.
- Ability to work individually and as part of a team.
- Mature, responsible, and dependable youth that will represent the 4-H program well while serving as a Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador.
- Attend mandatory 4-H Fashion & Interior Design training.

Expectations

- Participate in the MANDATORY Texas 4-H Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador training Lubbock, Texas, during the week of June 17-20,2024
- Participate in the bi-annual ambassador meetings:
 - Virtual (January 2025 and 2026)
 - Face-to-Face at Texas 4-H Roundup (June 2024 and 2026)
- Contribute a minimum of 40 hours of service annually related to the 4-H Fashion & Interior Design project.
- Report service hours through an online reporting system.
- Complete the ambassador program annual evaluation

Term of Service

Becoming an ambassador is a two-year commitment, beginning in August, following the MANDATORY training. At the completion of year one, ambassadors who fulfill the minimum 40 hours of service will be invited to continue their term for the next year. An ambassador that graduates from high school after their first year of service will not be allowed to complete year two of their term. Youth may serve consecutive terms but must re-apply if they wish to renew membership.

Special accommodations

- If you need any type of accommodation to apply or participate in this program, or have question about the physical access provided, please Contact Angela McCorkle at: armccorkle@ag.tamu.edu, prior to the application deadline.

Participation Fee

- If selected, the individual must pay the \$250 participation fee by June 1, 2024.

Application Process

The Texas 4-H Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador Program coordinators manage the selection

process.

- A call for applications will be made statewide every two years (even calendar years) in March.
- Applications must be submitted online, March 1- March 31 at:
<https://forms.gle/bb1mYhrR5qgo1aaY7>
- Each applicant will need to name a county extension agent to complete the Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador recommendation. A link to the recommendation form will be sent to the agent to complete.
- A selection committee will review applications, and the acceptance and training announcement will be made by May 1.
- Training registration and partial fees are due through 4-H Connect during the month of May.
- Participant fees are due in full by June 1, 2024.

Important Dates and Deadlines

- Applications will be accepted March 1, 2024, through May 31, 2024.
- Applicants will be notified of their acceptance by May 1, 2024.
- Register for 4-H Fashion & interior Design Training on 4-H Connect by June 1, 2024.
- Ambassador Training must be paid in full by June 1, 2024.
- Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador training in Lubbock, during the week of June 17-20, 2024.

Commitment

Membership in the Texas 4-H Fashion & Interior Design Ambassador Program requires a substantial amount of time and commitment.

- Must participate in the summer 2024 4-H Fashion & Interior Design training during the week of June 17-20, 2024.
- Provide a minimum of (40) hours of service between August 1, 2024, and July 31, 2025.
- Report service activities and maintain regular contact with the Texas 4-H Fashion & Interior Design Program Coordinator.

Contact information

Inquiries about the Texas 4-H Fashion & interior Design Program or the selection process should be directed to:

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