

**TO: 4-H Young Alumni (individuals should be between 21 - 30 years old)**  
**RE: Ohio 4-H Foundation Board Young Alumni Positions**

*Background:*

Founded in 1945 as part of The Ohio State University Development Fund, the Ohio 4-H Foundation solicits and receives contributions on behalf of Ohio 4-H in order to enhance the 4-H Youth Development Program, promotes the Ohio 4-H Youth Development program and recognizes 4-H members and adult volunteers. The Ohio 4-H Foundation established an Endowment in 1946 in order to create a permanent investment. With private support from individuals, businesses and organizations, the Ohio 4-H Foundation is able to fund new programs and improve existing programs at the county, region, and state levels. Annual program grants are awarded by the Foundation to support innovative programs, meet emerging, local needs or pilot new efforts. Thus, the support of donors throughout Ohio is vital to our success.

*Today:*

The Ohio 4-H Foundation is guided by a volunteer Board, comprised of business and industry leaders, Extension personnel, community members, and 4-H youth representatives from around the state. The Board distributes endowment interest income for the training of volunteer leadership and the recognition of 4-H members through scholarships, awards and positive youth development experiences.

Here are specific responsibilities of all board members:

- Attend three face-to-face meetings that are held throughout the state (one in January, one in spring, one in fall).
- Serve on a committee. The committees typically meet one time a month via Zoom (often times the committees meet during the day).
- Assist with the *Celebration of Youth fundraiser* preparations.

Specific responsibilities of the young alumni board members would include:

- Voice young alumni perspectives in every avenue to all board members.
- Provides leadership to the Ohio 4-H Alumni Pen Pal Program. Working closely with 4-H Foundation staff, these duties will include creating recruitment materials, matching pen pals, and other duties as needed.

Each year, 4-H alumni will be given the opportunity to represent Ohio 4-H on the Ohio 4-H Foundation Board. This year, we will select 1 member to serve a one-year term, one member to serve a two-year term, and one member to serve a three-year term. Terms begin January 1, 2022.

**HOW TO APPLY:**

Complete the **application** below. Please submit applications to the Ohio 4-H Foundation at [ohio4hfoundation@osu.edu](mailto:ohio4hfoundation@osu.edu). The submission deadline to be considered for this position is August 1, 2021. Please include a résumé with your application.

If you have any questions, please contact 4-H Foundation Manager, Crystal Ott at [ott.109@osu.edu](mailto:ott.109@osu.edu).

**SIGNATURE:**

Applicant's Signature

Date

I certify that all the information being submitted is accurate and I would like to be considered as a candidate for the Ohio 4-H Foundation Board.



# THE OHIO 4-H FOUNDATION

## at The Ohio State University

### Young Alumni Position Questionnaire

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| Name                                     | Email                    |       |          |
| Street Address                           | City                     | State | Zip code |
| Date of Birth                            | Phone number             |       |          |
| County where you participated in 4-H:    | Years as a 4-H member    |       |          |
| Are you a current 4-H Volunteer?         | If yes, in which county? |       |          |
| How did you hear about this opportunity? |                          |       |          |

What are some highlights of your 4-H career?

Why do you want to be on the 4-H Foundation Board?

What are some strengths you have gained from 4-H and how have you been using them as you start your career?

What is one thing you would like others to know about 4-H?

What is one thing you'd like to accomplish while on the board?

Please include a résumé with your application.



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