

TPPA Junior Ambassador Program Expectations & Code of Conduct

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Junior ambassadors will be held to a higher standard as they will be expected to represent the association and our industry at many levels. It is required that junior ambassadors put forth all efforts to fulfill their duties during his or her term.

A term with the TPPA Junior Ambassador Program is a two-year commitment. Ambassadors are expected to attend all meetings unless excused by the Director of Youth and Communications or the youth advisory board. This may include missing social; however, the association understands that unforeseen circumstances arise. Please reach out to TPPA staff immediately if this instance occurs.

All junior ambassadors are required to attend the following events:

- TPPA Junior Ambassador Program Orientation – *July*
- TPPA Junior Ambassador Program Retreat – *September*
- TPPA Junior Ambassador Program Beginning of the Year Planning – *January*
- Texas' Elite Showcase – *February*
- BBQ Austin – *March*
- Texas Pork Industry Conference – *TBD/June*

Junior ambassadors could, but are not guaranteed, have the opportunities to attend events such as:

- Rodeo Austin barrow show
- FFA/4-H Events
- Local Ag Awareness Days
- Texas Pork Leadership Camp

TPPA Junior Ambassador Program will be reimbursed for travel and lodging expenses incurred when attending meetings and shows at which time they are designated official TPPA responsibilities.

All junior ambassadors must be in good academic standing with their school/university, if he or she is actively pursuing their education. If TPPA is told otherwise, the junior ambassador will be suspended until his or her grades are above standards.

TPPA Junior Ambassador Program Code of Conduct and Values

By serving as a TPPA Junior Ambassador, you have the responsibility to set a prime example of how to treat, support, and respect others. You will have many opportunities to represent the association on the local, state, and national stage. The following guidelines are to provide a clear understanding of what is expected of you as a junior ambassador.

- Treat others with respect at all times. Your reputation as a board member does not stop once you leave an event.
- Support all youth members and exhibitors during livestock events. You are expected to encourage and motivate youth.
- Always be willing to assist wherever is possible with a positive attitude.
- Respect your surroundings.
- Questionable and unbecoming language and behavior is prohibited, especially when serving as a TPPA Junior Ambassador at an event. If there is severe misconduct, there will be consequences.
- Dress appropriately at all times.
- Be on time to all events excepted of you as a Junior Ambassador.
- Strive to have a positive attitude. If an issue arises, please contact the Director of Youth and Communications or the Youth Advisory Board.
- Be honest with yourself and others.
- Always have integrity in all that you do.
- Remain responsible and accountable when fulfilling duties as a junior ambassador

The association staff, board of directors, and membership wants to see you succeed. Although these standards are high, we want to challenge you to want the best for yourself as you move forward in all that you will do.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____