

## Arkansas 4-H Ambassador Re-Certification Policy

State 4-H Ambassadors are inducted and/or recognized at the Arkansas 4-H O-Rama each year, usually in late July or early August. **Ambassadors will have from the conclusion of the Arkansas 4-H O-Rama until the first working day of May of the following year to complete their re-certification requirements.** Ambassadors who do not meet the re-certification requirements by the first working day of May may reapply the following year. They will not be eligible to participate in the ambassador program until they have re-certified.

**Note:** Ambassadors making application for a state 4-H office must submit their re-certification report with their application and must have met the re-certification requirements at the time of application.

To re-certify for the following year, state 4-H Ambassadors must not have turned 19 years old during the current calendar year (4-H members who are 19 as of December 31 no longer meet the age requirements for 4-H) **and** must:

1. Make at least **two** presentations promoting 4-H (audience must be primarily non-4-H) during the re-certification period.
2. Complete at least **two** of the following criteria during the re-certification period:
  - a) Attend the Arkansas 4-H Ambassador Workshop and Teen Leader Conference.
  - b) Judge a county 4-H O-Rama activity.
  - c) Conduct a subject matter or journal workshop at the club or county level.
  - d) Assist with the organization of a 4-H club or group.
  - e) Preside at a major county activity such as the county Achievement Banquet, Fashion Festival, or Talent Show.
  - f) Prepare a 4-H promotional exhibit and display it in a prominent location in the county or state.
  - g) Promote 4-H through two radio spots or one TV spot.

**Note:** Additional qualifying criteria may be approved by sending a written request to the Arkansas 4-H Youth Development Office at least two weeks prior to the date approval is needed.

3. Submit the *Arkansas 4-H Ambassador Re-Certification Report (FY4-H-138)* to the state 4-H Youth Development office by *May 1* each year. (**Note:** Ambassadors making application for a state 4-H office must submit their re-certification report with their application and must have met the re-certification requirements at the time of application). For each presentation and/or criteria, the report must include the date, location, composition of audience, number attending and title of presentation and length of presentation. This report will require the signature of the Ambassador's parent or guardian, and county extension agent verifying your accomplishments and certifying that you have met the above requirements and are eligible to continue to serve as a state 4-H Ambassador. These reports are due to the state 4-H Youth Development office by the first working day of May and these Ambassadors will be recognized at the Arkansas 4-H O-Rama.