



## **Teen Leadership & Career Development (TLCD)**

Dear Applicant;

Thank you for your interest in joining Teen Leadership & Career Development (TLCD) in the 2020-2021 program year! We are excited at the prospects of you joining.

Enclosed please find the application that must be completed and turned into Ingrid Hill in the 4-H office or scan and email the application to Ingrid Hill no later than **September 11, 2020**. The application must be received by this date - **not** postmarked. Additionally, you will find the guidelines and expectations that all members of TLCD must follow.

You will be contacted after **September 11, 2020** with an interview time for **September 23, 2020\***.

Following the interview, we will reach out to you to let you know the status of application. If you are accepted into TLCD, we will let you know when the first meeting of the year will be.

If you have any questions, please reach out Ingrid or J.T. Grodecki (jt.grodecki@gmail.com).

*\* Dates are subject to change*

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# APPLICATION

## Orange County 4-H TEEN LEADERSHIP and CAREER DEVELOPMENT Program

***DUE BY SEPTEMBER 11, 2020***

Please read all instructions carefully. As part of the application/review process, emphasis is placed on how accurately information is provided and the application is filled out. This application MUST be filled out by the teen applying for consideration. Please do not type (only where indicated) and use **black ink**. All information must be legible.

FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Nick Name/Preference \_\_\_\_\_

DATE of BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ ARE YOU A CURRENT 4-H MEMBER? \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PREFERRED METHOD OF COMMUNICATION \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ SNAIL MAIL

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

4-H CLUB(S) \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL SPORTS \_\_\_\_\_

RECREATIONAL SPORTS \_\_\_\_\_

EXTRACURRICULAR(S) (in SCHOOL) \_\_\_\_\_

EXTRACURRICULARS (OUT of SCHOOL) \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – Check all you have participated in:

\_\_\_\_\_ CLUB    \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY    \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT    \_\_\_\_\_ STATE

Have you been a State Fair Teen Leader    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO    AREA(S) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended S.T.A.R.R.    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Have you attended Career Exploration    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO    PROGRAM(S) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you participated in DAIRY EXPLORERS PROGRAM    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Have you attended 4-H Capital Days    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Have you been a Teen Leader or Day Helper at the 4-H Fair    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Have you participated in 4-H Fashion Revue    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Have you participated in Produced in New York (PiNY)    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Have you submitted projects into the 4-H Showcase/Fair    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO

Have you had projects selected to go to the New York State Fair    \_\_\_\_\_ YES    \_\_\_\_\_ NO

What Project Area(s) \_\_\_\_\_

(Optional) If you could visit one (1) college within a 3 hour radius, where would you want to go?

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The following questions may be answered in the space provided, or attach a separate sheet of paper for longer responses. Responses may be typed, however, make sure the question(s) being answered are re-stated.

**1. Who do you admire most and why?**

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**2. What personal characteristics do they possess that you idolize?**

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**3. If you could have dinner with anyone living or deceased, who would that be and why?**

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**4. What have been your leadership experiences?**

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**5. Why do you feel you would make a good leader?**

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**6. Why do you feel you should be chosen for this program?**

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**7. What is your proudest moment?**

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**8. What are some of your strengths?**

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**9. What are your weaknesses?**

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**10. What do you want to be when you “grow up”?**

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**11. What careers are you interested in learning more about?**

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**12. Do you have any issues meeting the attached Teen Leadership & Career Development (TLCD) Expectations?  
If so, please explain.**

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**Please answer the following questions, answer directly on the application using black ink.**

**Describe yourself using 5 adjectives:**

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**Favorite TV Show:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Favorite Sports Teams:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Top 3 Favorite Movies:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Favorite Book:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Favorite Musician/Musical Group:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Favorite Place to be YOU:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Favorite Vacation Spot:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Favorite Subject in School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Favorite Technology Gadget:** \_\_\_\_\_

**5 things you CAN'T live without:**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Club Leader Reference:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Club Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information (Phone and/or Email):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Other Reference:** \_\_\_\_\_

**How do you know this Reference:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information (Phone and/or Email):** \_\_\_\_\_

Make sure you have followed the directions carefully, have answered all questions, and have attached additional pages if applicable.

Reference forms should be sent directly to us and do not need to be included with your application. You will be contacted if we do not receive forms from your references.

Your application will be date stamped upon receipt. If the application is not filled out correctly it will be invalid for 2020-2021 TLCD year, and you will need to reapply next year.

**Have you completed?**

- Application**
- Reference Forms**
- Club Leader**
- Other**

**Send your completed application to:**

**Cornell Cooperative Extension of Orange County**  
**18 Seward Avenue, Suite 300**  
**Middletown, NY 10940**  
**Attn: DeAnna - 4-H**

Or scan and email directly to [ds2285@cornell.edu](mailto:ds2285@cornell.edu) AND [jt.grodecki@gmail.com](mailto:jt.grodecki@gmail.com)

**NON-FAMILY PERSONAL REFERENCE**

**Orange County 4-H TEEN LEADERSHIP and CAREER DEVELOPMENT Program**

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Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Please briefly describe your relationship/interaction with the applicant:

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In your opinion, how does this applicant make or have the potential to be/become a productive, mature leader:

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List 3 descriptive terms that relate to this applicant:

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Additional Comments:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



**4-H (or other Organization) LEADER REFERENCE**

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Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of 4-H Club/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

How long has applicant been involved in your club: \_\_\_\_\_

Offices and/or Leadership Positions held in club:  
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Club Involvement (i.e.: Marketing Events, Trips, Jr. Leadership, etc):  
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Explain why you feel this teen would be an ideal candidate for a Leadership/Career Development Program:  
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Please briefly speak to the applicant's maturity level, commitment level and dedication history:  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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



## Teen Leadership and Career Development (TLCD) Expectations

Meetings start PROMPTLY at 7pm (unless otherwise communicated)... the doors will be closed after that time. If you did not PRE-ARRANGE a late arrival, you will be considered an unexcused absence.

Meetings end at 8:30pm – unless otherwise communicated.

TLCD communication is through the email addresses provided. If you are not receiving emails you must notify the leader, or if you or your parent(s) change your address. Updates go out fairly regularly; it is up to YOU to check your email.

RSVP means I NEED an answer (either way) and this MUST be done by YOU. It can be emailed, text, voicemail, phone call or in person. Siblings may have one RSVP for both.

*Opportunities pop up unexpectedly throughout the year to help out. Often there will be limited lead time or response time on them, therefore it is important you check for the emails and RSVP so you don't miss out. Many of these opportunities are on a first-come, first-served basis and have limited participant space.*

Business Dress: I will inform you when these meetings occur. No jeans of ANY kind are permitted for these meetings. Gentleman, do NOT have to wear a tie or a jacket, dress shirt/polo and slacks is fine. Ladies, NO short skirts, no see through blouses/no visible undergarments. Strapless is only acceptable when worn with something over it (this does not get removed at any time).

Regular Meetings: "4-H A" Dress Code. No ripped jeans. No shirts with writing on it.

*Unacceptable Dress at Regular or Business Dress Meetings result in an Unexcused Absence*

### **ABSENCE POLICY:**

**Excused Absences:** include own illness, anything school/academic related (i.e.: Honor Society inductions, College Visits, School Concerts, Religious Observances, School Art Shows, etc.) *Academics come FIRST!*

EXCESSIVE use of Excused Absences may result in **joint** evaluation if TLCD is right for you with leaders.

**Unexcused Absences:** include sporting practice/events, extracurricular event, no call/no show, etc. *If you do not attend school (because you called out sick) the day of a TLCD meeting you are not allowed to come.*

3 Unexcused Absences and you forfeit your space in TLCD.

### **TLCD REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Fundraising
2. Community Service (minimum of 1)
3. Public Presentations (County Level – MUST!)
4. Showcase (Enter Project, Help in Concessions/4-H Store, Animal Show)
5. County-Wide Event (attend TWO)
6. Leadership Event/Program/Activity (minimum of 1)
7. Marketing Event (minimum of 1)
8. Uphold the Code of Conduct at ALL times
9. In good academic standing