

The Missouri State Fair Foundation is a charitable non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization comprised of individuals who recognize the invaluable role the Missouri State Fair plays in the preservation of our agricultural heritage, growth in our economy, and the education of our youth. Our Foundation carries out the mission of "Cultivating the Future of Agriculture" through preservation of our historic fairgrounds, improvements to fairgrounds facilities and by offering educational opportunities for students in Missouri.

The Missouri State Fair Foundation is pleased to offer the following program and scholarship opportunity:

# Missouri State Fair Foundation Young Ambassador Program

## Who is eligible?

Any traditional student enrolled in State Fair Community College, seeking a degree, and planning to pursue a career in the agricultural industry.

#### What is offered?

- A one-time scholarship award, issued to the college, in September, totaling \$2,500
- Access to a wide network of individuals, businesses, and organizations in Missouri Agriculture
- > Opportunity to assist with the advancement of the mission of the Missouri State Fair Foundation
- Opportunity to represent the Missouri State Fair Foundation during and after the Missouri State Fair

### How do I apply?

> Complete the attached application and return it to the office of the Missouri State Fair Foundation:

Email to: <a href="mailto:msff@mostatefairfoundation.net">msff@mostatefairfoundation.net</a> Mail to: Missouri State Fair Foundation 2503 W 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Sedalia, MO 65301



The Young Ambassador program is a unique opportunity for a young leader to represent the Missouri State Fair Foundation for one year.

As the Young Ambassador the student will have the opportunity to:

- Receive a one-time scholarship in the amount of \$2,500
- > Represent the Missouri State Fair Foundation at events during the State Fair
- > Promote the Missouri State Fair Foundation by attending scheduled events and fundraisers throughout the year
- ➤ Contribute to the Missouri State Fair Foundation's social media presence

#### Young Ambassador Selection Criteria:

- > Traditional student enrolled in a college or university, seeking a degree, and planning to pursue a career in the agricultural industry
- Participation in an in-person interview in front of the selection committee
- > Delivery of a three-minute speech in front of the selection committee
- Ability to represent the Missouri State Fair Foundation in a way that upholds the mission and values of the organization

#### **Selection Process:**

- Applicants will complete and submit the scholarship/program application by April 1, 2025
- Finalists will be chosen by committee and invited to participate in the in-person selection process prior to the start date of the MO State Fair
- > The Ambassador will be selected by the committee and introduced as the MSFF Young Ambassador the night before the fair at the annual banquet
- ➤ The Ambassador will work with the MSFF Executive Director to develop a list of events and activities for participation in during the 2025 Missouri State Fair
- The Ambassador and MSFF Executive Director will develop a list of other events and activities the Ambassador may assist the Foundation with during the year

#### **Desired Skills:**

- Knowledgeable about agriculture in Missouri
- Advocate of the Missouri State Fair
- Public Speaking
- Working knowledge of Social Media



# YOUNG AMBASSADOR PROGRAM APPLICATION

Application Deadline - April 1, 2025

Return completed application to Missouri State Fair Foundation 2503 W 16<sup>th</sup> Street Sedalia, MO 65301

Or karri@mostatefairfoundation.net

Full Name:	
Birthdate:	
Mobile Phone Number:	
Email:	
Home	Address:
Anticipated Graduation Date:	
Major Area of Study:	
Current GPA:	

What is your career obj	ective?				
Why did you select a					
career goal in the					
agricultural industry?					
What Scholastic honors	or distinctions ha	ve you received?	•		

at communit	ty service or volu	ınteer organizati	ions have you p	articipated in?	?	

Why are you interested in representing the Missouri State Fair Foundation?					