



Brazoria County Fair Association

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2024 Youth Advisory Council

The Brazoria County Fair Youth Advisory Council (YAC) is a youth leadership development organization sponsored by the Brazoria County Fair Association, members, and the community.

YAC's mission is to make a positive impact to the Fair and the youth of Brazoria County by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through participation in Fair activities. Membership is comprised of youth representing all Brazoria County high schools, 4-H, FFA and the community.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Enrolled in high school for the 2024-2025 school year
- Passing all classes
- Must be a BCFA exhibitor
- Able to serve as a YAC member for a full calendar year
- Parents/Guardians must be members of the Brazoria County Fair Association (annual or lifetime)

To be considered for the Youth Advisory Council, please submit:

- Completed application
- (1) recommendation letter written by an adult advisor (preferably not a parent)
- Written/signed approval from parents/guardians

DEADLINE: March 8, 2024 by 4:00pm

Applications can be turned in at the Fair Office (901 S Downing, Angleton, TX 77515)

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL APPLICATION

Please type or print. Use additional sheets if necessary.

I would like to represent (circle one): 4-H FFA

Name: _____

Age as of January 1, 2023: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ City, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Is this your number or parent _____

I am ok receiving text notifications of meetings, events, etc.: Yes / No

Email: _____

Name of School: _____ Grade in School: _____

Name of Organization: _____ Years in Organization: _____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Parent(s) Email: _____

Member Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Recommended by: _____

Organization (4H/FFA): _____ Contact Number: _____

Advisor/Leader: _____

Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

1. The following guidelines are designed to make your experience at the Brazoria County events satisfying to you and to all others attending. This means that all participants - members, leaders, and staff - shall respect the individual rights, safety, and property of others. While you are attending the Brazoria County Fair events, you are representing your high school, your 4-H group and or FFA and the Community.
2. Everyone is expected to attend all of the planned meetings or sessions, workshops, and field trips of the event and to be in appropriate dress. When one is involved in putting on an activity for others, appropriate dress means uniform of the Council.
3. The possession and use by members and leaders of alcohol and/or drugs, other than prescribed medication is prohibited at any sponsored events or activities. Members or leaders are not to use tobacco in group meetings. Members are not to use tobacco of any form while in uniform or with others who are in uniform.
4. Obscene and discriminatory language, roughhousing and insubordination will not be tolerated at any time.
5. Members of the Brazoria County Fair Youth Advisory Council will wear the appropriate uniform for all activities that they are in charge of or directing. The uniform will be nice jeans (no holes) or "knee" length shorts with the Fair Shirt. The Fair t-shirt may be worn at times when one is not on specific duty.
6. Members and adults should demonstrate respect to others.
7. Display of overly affectionate attention between individuals will not be tolerated.
8. Brazoria County Fair Youth Advisory Council is expected to send a quality example to other youth showing at the Fair.
9. One must be willing to perform their Council duties when expected as long as it does not interfere with their other fair projects or school activities.

In the event that one should feel that it may become necessary to deviate from the Code, that person agrees to discipline in one or more of the following ways:

1. A warning.
2. Send a member home.
3. Barring that member from future events.
4. Termination of membership from the Youth Advisory Council.
5. Remanding the member to the nearest law enforcement agency and/or the proper authorities.
6. Parents and Fair management will be notified of action taken.

I, _____ have read the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its rules, I understand that infractions of this Code can result in any or all of the penalties listed above.

Member

Date

Parent/Guardian (must be signed)

Date

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT

The Brazoria County Fair Youth Advisory Council MISSION is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through Fair Activities.

Aims and Purposes of the Youth Advisory Council

1. To develop in members competent, aggressive leadership.
2. To create and nurture a love of life and to promote fellowship
3. To strengthen the confidence of students in themselves and in their work.
4. To create more interest in the intelligent choices of occupations.
5. To encourage members in development of individual programs and establishment in careers.
6. To encourage members to improve the quality of the fair and its environment.
7. To participate in undertakings for the improvement of the fair.
8. To develop character, train for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism.
9. To participate in cooperative effort.
10. To encourage and practice thrift.
11. To encourage improvement in scholarship and achievement.
12. To provide and encourage the development of organized recreational and fun activities.
13. Encourage active participation among members.

What makes a good advisory council?

1. A knowledge of the Youth Advisory Council.
2. Capable officers and leaders.
3. Responsibilities shared by all members in Council.
4. A challenging program of activities
5. Adequate financing for Council activities.
6. Proper equipment and records
7. Well planned, regularly held meetings.
8. Support from Fair officials and community leaders.
9. Remember: Meetings are only as interesting and effective as you make them.

Youth Advisory Council By-Laws

PURPOSE

The Youth Advisory Council is a youth leadership organization sponsored by the Brazoria County Fair Association. The mission of the Council is to promote fellowship, provide leadership opportunities and allow the youth of Brazoria County to participate and be involved with the Fair in a meaningful and responsible manner.

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

Membership to the Youth Advisory Council shall consist of 10 members, each from the community, 4-H, FFA, and local high schools. Members are allowed three un-excused absences. Any more will be interpreted as lack of interest and the member will be removed from the Youth Advisory Council. Removal from Council prohibits a member from participating in Council sponsored activities at the Fair.

ACTIVITIES: (but not limited to)

- Grounds Beautification (painting, flower beds, hanging signs)
- Scarecrow Contest (judging)
- Membership & Ticket Sales (sign-ups at YRS)
- Kick-off Dinner
- Participation at Board Meetings and Executive Meetings
- Fair Tours
- Special Children's Day
- Senior Citizen's Day
- Rodeo & YRS Activities
- Special Children's Rodeo
- Junior Livestock Auction
- Commercial Heifer Auction
- Livestock Awards Program
- Front Office
- Chicken Scramble
- Opening Ceremonies
- Outside community activities
- Tickets & Admissions
- H.O.E (check-in help)