



FLORIDA 4-H
STATE COUNCIL



2024-2025

FLORIDA 4-H STATE OFFICER CANDIDATE INFORMATION PACKET

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ASK 4-H ABOUT BEING A STATE OFFICER CANDIDATE

To help answer any questions you have, we will have a live Q+A session on Zoom. Attendance or watching the recording afterwards is highly recommended as you make your decision.

[Ask 4-H About Being a State Officer Candidate \(ufl.zoom.us\)](https://ufl.zoom.us)—

Monday May 13 at 7:00P ET/6:00P CT

Click the link to register. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. This will be recorded and sent out to all Executive Board members.

ONLINE SUBMISSION LINK, DEADLINES, & APPLICATION COMPONENTS

Applications will only be accepted through the online form. This can be accessed by clicking below.

[State Officer Candidate Application \(ufl.qualtrics.com\)](https://ufl.qualtrics.com)—Includes an essay question and file uploads for 4-H resume, campaign graphic, and headshot. You will also submit your county 4-H professional's email for them to approve your application and provide a recommendation.

At the end of the candidate application, you will be given the option to fill out additional Executive Board related questions. This is used in the case that you do not become a state officer and would still like to be on Executive Board. If you fill this out, you will not need to submit a separate Executive Board application.

Application must be completed by **July 10 at 11:59PM.**

Your county 4-H professional must submit the form sent to them by **July 17 at 11:59PM.**

A complete State Council Officer Application will contain the following components:

- State Officer Application—includes:
 - Answering an essay question
 - Uploading your 4-H resume, campaign graphic, and headshot
 - Submitting your county 4-H professional's email
- County 4-H Professional Approval & Recommendation

STATE OFFICER CANDIDATE APPLICATION CHECKLIST: REQUIREMENTS OF CANDIDATES

Bylaws of the Constitution of the Florida 4-H Council

ARTICLE II

Section 1. Nominees to fill the State Council offices shall be required to meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. Shall have been an active 4-H member for at least three years, including the current 4-H year.
 - b. Shall be an officially seated voting delegate to the Council.
 - c. Shall have approval from parent or legal guardian.
 - d. Shall have approval from county 4-H professional.
 - e. Shall have served and fulfilled all obligations as a member for at least one term (one 4-H year) on the State Executive Board and attended the required minimum of two State Executive Board Weekends.
 - f. A maximum of two persons per county shall be eligible to run for a state council office.
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- Have read the officers' job duties and responsibilities outlined in the State 4-H Council [Constitution \(florida4h.org\)](#) and [Bylaws \(florida4h.org\)](#).
 - Have read this Florida 4-H State Officer Candidate Information Packet in its entirety.
 - Have attended or watched the recording of [Ask 4-H About Being a State Officer Candidate \(ufl.zoom.us\)](#).
 - ◆ Recording will be available at [Becoming a State Council Officer \(florida4h.org\)](#).
 - Have submitted the State Officer Candidate application with the following components:
 - A 4-H resume
 - ◆ We encourage you to use the same resume as the Scholarship Application.
 - ◆ If you did not submit a Scholarship Application, go to pgs 10-16 of [Scholarship Packet \(florida4h.org\)](#) or [What is a skills based resume? \(youtube.com\)](#)
 - A campaign graphic to illustrate your platform and the qualities voting delegates should know about you. More information on this later in this packet.
 - The following items/information for various promotional opportunities throughout the year:
 - ◆ Business-like headshot (clean, clear, put together, NOT a selfie)
 - ◆ Your 2-3 main projects in 4-H
 - ◆ Your favorite quote related to life or leadership
 - An answer to the following essay question:
 - ◆ What is motivating you to run for a state officer position?
 - Your county 4-H professional email
 - Have county 4-H professional approval and recommendation.

INTRODUCTION TO STATE COUNCIL

The State Council is the governance arm of the Florida 4-H Council, composed of two (2) voting delegates from each county that has paid its council dues.

The annual meeting of the State Council is held at Florida 4-H University; this is generally the only meeting during the 4-H year. During this meeting, the business of the Council is conducted and new officers are elected.

The State 4-H Council officers then represent the voice of youth on various statewide advisory boards, committees, and planning teams throughout the year.

INTRODUCTION TO STATE COUNCIL OFFICERS

State Council officers consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Parliamentarian, Sergeant-At-Arms, and Historian. The first five (5) are elected by State Council voting delegates at their annual meeting during Florida 4-H University. The remaining three (3) are appointed by the incoming five (5) elected positions.

Interviews for the appointed positions occur after elections. The applicants are informed of the final decision after the interview process is complete.

The incoming State Council officer team of all eight (8) positions are inducted on Wednesday night of 4-H University.

INTRODUCTION TO EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board is the programming arm of the Florida 4-H State Council, composed of eight (8) State Council officers, four (4) representatives per each of the 13 4-H districts, and up to thirty (30) Executive Board appointees.

They meet three (3) times a year (October, January, and April).

The Executive Board consists of eight (8) different committees. The events committees are: iLEAD, 4-H Legislature, and 4-H University. The standing committees are: Ambassador, Service, Ways & Means, Youth Leadership, and Constitution.

DUTIES OF STATE COUNCIL OFFICERS

Bylaws of the Constitution of the Florida 4-H Council

ARTICLE II

Section 2. Duties of Officers.

- A. The President shall preside over all meetings of the Council; appoint all standing, advisory, and special committee chairpersons and members; make special appointments as provided in the Constitution and Bylaws, serve as an ex-officio member of all committees; and perform other duties as provided by this Constitution. The President or someone they appoint shall be an ex-officio member of the Florida 4-H Foundation. The President shall be responsible for the writing and presenting of the Council's annual report to the Council's advisor.
- B. The Vice-President shall serve in the absence of the President, and shall perform other duties as provided by this Constitution and as required by the work of the Council.
- C. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings and compile them at the end of their term as well as preserve the minutes of the previous year, call the roll, record all activities of the Council, attend to the correspondence of the Council, and perform other duties as provided by this Constitution and as required by the work of the Council.
- D. The Treasurer shall care for the monetary matters of the council. They will prepare and submit semi-annually, an itemized statement of disbursements and receipts from the account of Florida 4-H Council General to the State Council president and State Council advisor. They shall also perform other duties as provided by this Constitution and as required by the work of the Council.
- E. The Reporter shall be responsible for the publication and distribution of the Council Newsletter at least quarterly on all Council Meetings and activities as shall be established, sending a copy to each County Reporter through appropriate means. They shall also perform other duties as provided by this Constitution and as by the work of the Council.
- F. The Sergeant at Arms shall be responsible for the opening exercises at all meetings and shall also care for the 4-H effects of the Council and shall properly arrange for their display. They shall perform other duties as provided by this Constitution and the work of the Council.
- G. The Historian shall keep a scrapbook record of all State 4-H events and of all Council meetings and activities. They shall be responsible for submission of the year's scrapbook to the State Headquarters by the first day of 4-H University at the end of the officer's term. They shall perform other duties as provided by this Constitution and the work of the Council.
- H. The Parliamentarian shall advise the President on Parliamentary Procedure and shall perform other duties as provided by this Constitution and the work of the Council.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF STATE COUNCIL OFFICERS

- 1) Being a Florida 4-H State Council officer is a great honor. With this honor comes great responsibility. State officers are representatives of the Florida 4-H Program, and thus have a duty to be involved in all facets of the Florida 4-H Program, particularly the Florida 4-H Executive Board and Florida 4-H State Council.
- 2) Being a Florida 4-H State Council officer must be a high priority. With lots of competing priorities in one's life, officers must consider whether they are able to prioritize being an officer without stressing themselves mentally and physically.
- 3) Officers are required to attend state officer training, the three Executive Board Weekends, 4-H Day at the Capitol, and 4-H University.
- 4) An officer who cannot attend a mandatory event is responsible for notifying the 4-H president and the State Council advisor(s) as soon as they are aware. Approval of the absence is at the discretion of the president and advisor(s).
- 5) Officers will have the opportunity to participate in events outside of their own county and district, 4-H state committees, and University of Florida events. These are typically optional and attendance is at the discretion of each officer's individual needs and desires.
- 6) Officers will assist with the planning and implementation of Executive Board Weekends.
- 7) Officers will chair an Executive Board Committee and serve on another.
- 8) In their role as committee chair, officers are expected to communicate with their adult chairs in preparation for their meetings at Executive Board and any other relevant meetings or events.
- 9) Virtual meetings or trainings may be called by the 4-H state president or advisor(s) at any time. Officers are expected to attend a majority of these meetings.
- 10) As the voice of 4-H'ers across the state, officers may be called upon to speak on behalf of the Florida 4-H program before a variety of audiences including local, district, state, and out-of-state-events.
- 11) Officers are expected to keep their county 4-H professional(s) and adult volunteers informed of all activities as a state officer.
- 12) Officers will abide by the Florida 4-H Code of Conduct and Florida 4-H State Council Executive Board Code of Conduct.
- 13) An officer may be removed from their position at the discretion of the 4-H state president, advisor(s), and program leader if they are unable to fulfill the duties and responsibilities listed throughout this packet.

CALENDAR OF STATE OFFICER AND EXECUTIVE BOARD RELATED EVENTS

*Mandatory

**Mandatory if part of the planning committee for the event

***Highly encouraged, not mandatory

2024

July

28* Early Arrival at Florida 4-H University, Gainesville*

July/August

Jul 29-Aug 1* Florida 4-H University, Gainesville (MUST REGISTER BY JUNE 15)*

August

1* Florida 4-H Hall of Fame Luncheon, Gainesville*

1-6* Florida 4-H State Officer Training, 4-H Camp Cherry Lake—Madison*

6* State Officer Luncheon, Gainesville*

September

19-22*** Southern Region Teen Leadership Conference, Tennessee***

October

25-27* First Executive Board, 4-H Camp Cloverleaf—Lake Placid*

2025

January

24-26* Second Executive Board, 4-H Camp Cloverleaf—Lake Placid*

February

5-6*** State Fair, Opening Day, Tampa***

6-17*** State Fair, Tampa***

March

24-25* Florida 4-H Day at the Capitol, Tallahassee*

April

24-26* Third Executive Board, 4-H Camp Timpooshee—Niceville*

June

7** Early Arrival at iLEAD, Gainesville**

8-10** iLEAD: Intermediate Leadership Conference, Gainesville**

June

22** Early Arrival at Florida 4-H Legislature, Tallahassee**

23-27** Florida 4-H Legislature, Tallahassee**

July/August

Jul 27* Early Arrival at Florida 4-H University, Gainesville*

Jul 28-31* Florida 4-H University, Gainesville*

All dates subject to change. Florida 4-H has the right to add/change events when needed.



FINANCES & UNIFORM

Estimated Financial Expenses

All registration and payments for events must go through the officer's respective county 4-H professional. At this time, we have funds to pay registration for First, Second, and Third Executive Board Weekends, and 4-H Day at the Capitol. Funding for these events are subject to change at the discretion of Florida 4-H. Check with your county 4-H professional to see if scholarships for other events are available and what the officer needs to do to obtain such scholarships. **Travel to and from the event is the responsibility of the officer and their family.**

Uniform Requirements

The following will be provided by the Florida 4-H Foundation:

- ◆ Official Florida 4-H Green Blazer
- ◆ Green Short Sleeve Polo Shirt
- ◆ Name Tag

The following will need to be provided by the officer:

- ◆ White collared dress shirt
- ◆ Black tie
- ◆ Black and khaki dress pants or skirt
Skirt is to be knee length; if it has a slit, it can be no longer than 2"
- ◆ Black and brown dress belts
- ◆ Black and brown/tan socks
- ◆ Black dress shoes and brown/tan shoes (No boots, sandals, open-toed shoes, or tennis shoes)
Must be closed heel and toe; no more than 2" tall

Officer Official Dress

- ◆ White collared dress shirt
- ◆ Black tie
- ◆ Official Florida 4-H Green Blazer
- ◆ Name Tag
- ◆ Black and dress pants or skirt
- ◆ Black dress shoes or black dress heels
- ◆ Black belt
- ◆ Black socks

Officer Casual Dress

- ◆ Green Short Sleeve Polo Shirt
- ◆ Name Tag
- ◆ Khaki dress pants or skirt
- ◆ Brown belt
- ◆ Brown/tan socks
- ◆ Brown/tan shoes

CAMPAIGNING

Campaign Graphic

- ◆ As part of the application process, candidates are asked to create ONE (1) cohesive graphic.
- ◆ This graphic will likely be the first thing that voting delegates see about the candidates. It should highlight the candidate by speaking about their abilities and their platform that speaks to the impact they hope to have on Florida 4-H.
- ◆ This graphic can take the form of a flyer, brochure, infographic, PowerPoint, or magazine. Up to 10 digital or five (5) front and back printed pages are allowed as long as they follow a consistent color, font, and messaging scheme. Separate campaigning graphics with different messaging, colors, and fonts are not allowed within this one (1) graphic.
- ◆ Graphics must be uploaded within the State Officer Candidate Application on Qualtrics by the application deadline.
- ◆ One free and easy to use software is available through [Canva](#). Candidates can familiarize themselves with this software through the [Canva Design School](#).
- ◆ These will be displayed online through a password protected section of the 4-H University webpage. The link and password will be sent to all county 4-H professionals to share with their voting delegates prior to 4-H University.

Campaign Materials

- ◆ **Materials to Consider for Campaigning**
 - ◆ Fliers & banners
 - ◆ Yard signs (allowed outside of dorm)
 - ◆ Give away items with your name and desired position
- ◆ **Forbidden Campaign Materials**
 - ◆ Consumables (food, drink, etc.)
 - ◆ Stickers
 - ◆ T-shirts
- ◆ **Price Limit**
 - ◆ Each candidate may spend no more than \$150 for their total campaign effort, including donated (in-kind) materials.
 - ◆ The candidate must be able to document the value of all campaign materials; pre-existing, purchased, and donated. Accepted documentation includes receipts or researched prices for pre-existing materials and purchased materials, and signed receipts or letter from a donor with approximate dollar value for donations.
 - ◆ A campaign finance report for all pre-existing, purchased, and donated materials must be submitted online before 4-H University begins. The form will be provided in the weeks leading up to 4-H University.
 - ◆ The required template is included within this packet.
 - ◆ **The TOTAL must NOT exceed \$150.**
 - ◆ Any officer candidate with materials in excess of \$150 will be required to remove materials of their choice until they are at or below \$150.

CAMPAIGNING CONT'D

Campaign Materials Cont'd

◆ Rules for Hanging

- ◇ Candidates are not allowed to hang any banners or posters on handrails, doors, painted walls, and most windows.
 - ⇒ Brick surfaces may be used for posting signs.
 - ⇒ In the dorm, candidates may use the bulletin boards, the windows in the first floor elevator lobby and the block windows in the stairwells.
- ◇ Candidates may only use the painters tape provided by the event to hang items in the dorms. This tape will be provided upon arrival at 4-H University.
- ◇ No signs are to be hung anywhere on campus except for the dorm area.
- ◇ Candidates must take hanging items down immediately after elections.
- ◇ It is extremely important that you use ONLY the painters tape provided by the event to hang items and you take these items down after they are no longer of use.
 - ⇒ Standard tape and other methods of hanging can damage the paint and finishes in the residence halls.
 - ⇒ Sometimes the prolonged use of painters tape can have the same effect, especially if under the sometimes extreme Florida summertime sun.
 - ⇒ Any damage or required excessive cleaning reported by the University housing staff in this regard will be added to the final bill for our event and may result in the staff no longer allowing us to post campaign signs in the future.

◆ Forbidden Campaign Actions

- ◇ Using social media for campaigning. This is due to youth protection guidelines and potential barriers to equal access by all candidates.
- ◇ Directly contacting county extension offices and voting delegates.

◆ Campaign Assistance

- ◇ Candidates are allowed to recruit campaign assistance from fellow 4-H youth members.
- ◇ Campaigns are only to be conducted by 4-H youth members.
- ◇ Parents, volunteers, and 4-H professionals are not allowed to campaign.

◆ Candidate Disqualification

- ◇ In the case of a violation of campaign rules by the candidate or their campaign assistants, a candidate may be disqualified.
- ◇ The candidate is responsible for informing their campaign assistants of the rules.
- ◇ There will be one warning issued for any campaign violations. In the event of a second warning for any reason, the candidate will be disqualified.

ELECTIONS & TIMELINE

Election Process per the Constitution of the Florida 4-H Council

Article IV Meetings, Quorums, and Suffrage

- Section 3. Two-thirds of the officially seated delegates or alternates shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Council provided that at least one-half of the counties with organized 4-H programs are represented.
- Section 4. Each county shall be represented by two officially seated voting delegates who may vote on each proceeding of the Council. In a voting delegate's absence, their county's alternate will assume the voting privileges.
- Section 5. State council advisor(s) shall serve in an advisory capacity only at meetings of the State Council. State council advisor(s) shall not have voting privileges at any assemblies of the State Council and/or its officers.

Article V Officers: Procedure of Selections

Section 1. Officer Positions.

- a. The elected officers of the Council shall be: a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Reporter.
- b. The appointed officers of the Council shall be: a Sergeant-at-Arms, Historian, and Parliamentarian.

Section 2. Elected Officers.

- a. The election of officers shall be by secret ballot vote of each delegate in the Council assembled.
- b. To be elected to an office, a candidate must receive a majority of the votes cast.
- c. The elected officers shall continue to fulfill those duties, statewide in nature, as directed in this Constitution, for one year or until such time as their successors are designated.
- d. If the office of the President is permanently vacated, the Vice-President shall become the President.
- e. If any elected office other than the Presidency is vacated, a committee composed of the remaining elected officers and the State Council advisor(s), with the President serving as Chairperson, shall be given the option to appoint a State Executive Board member to fill the vacated position.
- f. Candidates may run for only one elected office.

ELECTIONS & TIMELINE CONT'D

Election Timeline Cont'd

Day	Date	Time	Description
4-H University			
<i>Tentative—Make sure to check the schedule when you check-in</i>			
Sunday	July 28	2:00PM ET	Early Arrival for 4-H University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 4-HU Committee, current officers, and officer candidates expected to arrive
Sunday	July 28	3:30PM ET	Officer Candidate Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Confirm campaign finance report submissions ◆ Discuss the upcoming week
Monday	July 29	9:00AM ET	Put Out Campaign Materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Finish by 10AM for regular 4-HU arrival and check-in
Monday	July 29	1:00-2:15 PM ET	State Council Meeting— <i>Nominations, Campaign Speeches, Town Hall Q+A</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Nominations from the floor are taken for all elected offices before any elections can take place. ◆ Each candidate will need to have another <i>voting delegate</i> nominate them for the office they are running for. ◆ For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ President: “Nominations are now in order for the office of Secretary. Are there nominations for Secretary?” ◇ Voting Delegate: “John Doe from Osceola County, I would like to nominate Clare Clover for the office of Secretary.” ◇ President: “Clare Clover do you accept this nomination?” ◇ Clare Clover: “I do.” ◆ Candidates will then deliver a campaign speech in which they will emphasize how they plan to have a positive impact on the Florida 4-H program and its members. ◆ Candidates running for President will have three minutes; all other offices will have two minutes.

ELECTIONS & TIMELINE CONT'D

Election Timeline Cont'd

Day	Date	Time	Description
Tuesday	Jul 30	2:15-5:15 PM ET	<p>State Council Meeting— <i>Impromptu Speeches & Officer Elections</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ During the impromptu speeches, the outgoing officers will ask a question to each candidate seeking their particular office. ◆ Each candidate will respond to the question. ◆ All candidates, except for presidential candidates, will have two (2) minutes to answer the question. ◆ The presidential candidates will have three (3) minutes to answer the question. ◆ Voting will take place through an online form utilizing preferential voting. ◆ Preferential voting has all voters rank each position's candidates in descending order of who they'd prefer. ◆ During round 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Ballots are organized by who received the 1st ranking for a position. ◇ If a majority is reached by this, then winning candidates are confirmed. ◇ If a majority is not reached, then round 2 takes place. ◆ During round 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ The candidate with the lowest number of 1st rankings is taken away. ◇ The ballots with the removed candidate are then counted towards the candidate based of the 2nd ranking. ◇ If a majority is reached, then winning candidates are confirmed. ◇ If a majority is not reached, then rounds continue to take place. ◆ Rounds will continue until a majority is reached. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Each subsequent round will consist of removing the candidate with the lowest number of votes and distributing the their ballots based off the next highest ranking.

ELECTIONS & TIMELINE CONT'D

Election Timeline Cont'd

Day	Date	Time	Description
Wednesday	Jul 31	9:00AM-12:00PM ET	<p>Appointed Officer Position Interviews</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any candidate who does not win an elected position is eligible to interview for an appointed position. Interviews will be conducted by the five elected positions and advisor(s). Candidates should be prepared for a 15 minute interview that allows the elected officers to gain an understanding of which appointed position they would like to have and what would make them successful in that position.
Wednesday	Jul 31	2:00-5:00PM ET	<p>Awards Banquet Rehearsal (Officer Installation Practice)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4-HU committee members, incoming officers, and outgoing officers will run through the scripts and staging for the awards banquet.
Wednesday	Jul 31	7:30-9:30PM ET	<p>Youth Awards Banquet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officer installation will take place with incoming and outgoing state officers. Incoming secretary will announce the Chris Allen Secretary's Award to the outgoing secretary. Both outgoing and incoming presidents will give their speeches.
Thursday	Aug 1	11:30AM-1:30PM ET	<p>Hall of Fame Luncheon and Induction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incoming and outgoing officers will have the opportunity to network and connect with administration and stakeholders
Thursday	Aug 1	2:00PM ET	<p>Leave for State Officer Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All training is mandatory. More information to be provided as we get closer.

2024 State Officer Candidate Application

Application due July 10 by 11:59PM

Completing this application includes:

- Filling out your contact information
- Selecting which position you're running for and ranking the appointed positions you'd like to be considered for
- Uploading your 4-H resume
- Uploading your campaign graphic
- Uploading your headshot and additional information
- Filling out contact information for your county 4-H professional's approval and recommendation
- Including signatures from you and your parent/guardian
- Your county 4-H professional will receive an email with all the information they need after you submit your application. They will receive two follow up reminders.

Recommendations submitted by your contacts due July 17 by 11:59PM.

At the end of the candidate application, you will be given the option to submit an Executive Board application as well.

All the information you need related to this application and the role of a state officer can be found at [Becoming a State Council Officer \(florida4h.org\)](http://florida4h.org).

Q2 Applicant First Name

Q3 Applicant Last Name

Q4 Applicant County/Tribe

▼ Alachua (1) ... Washington (68)

Q5 Applicant Email

Q33 Confirm Applicant Email

Q6 Applicant Phone Number

Q34 Parent/Guardian Email

Q35 Confirm Parent/Guardian Email

Q7 Which Florida 4-H State Council officer position are you interested in applying for? (Click One)

- President (1)
 - Vice-President (2)
 - Secretary (3)
 - Treasurer (4)
 - Reporter (5)
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Q8 For those not elected, an appointed position will be considered. Rank the following appointed positions in preference order:

- _____ Parliamentarian (1)
- _____ Sergeant at Arms (2)
- _____ Historian (3)
- _____ Not Interested in Appointed Position (4)

Q10 4-H Resume

We encourage you to use the same resume as the Scholarship Application. If you did not submit a Scholarship Application, go to pgs 10-16 of [Scholarship Packet \(florida4h.org\)](http://florida4h.org) or [What is a skills based resume? \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

(Do NOT include your address, phone number, email, social media, or any other personal contact information)

Please upload your 4-H resume as a PDF. Make sure the file name follows the format of LastName-FirstName_County_PositionYou'reRunningFor_Resume

(Ex: Clover-Chrysal_Levy_Reporter_Resume)

Q11 Campaign Graphic

Upload a campaign graphic that will be sent to all voting delegates prior to 4-H University. This is your chance to make a first impression.

Please upload your campaign graphic. Guidelines for this graphic and other campaigning pieces can be found in the State Officer Candidate Information Packet.

Make sure the file name follows the format of LastName-FirstName_County_PositionYou'reRunningFor_Graphic (Ex: Clover-Chrysal_Levy_Reporter_Graphic)

Q12 Business-like Headshot

Please upload a clean, clear, and put together headshot; not a selfie. This will be used throughout the year for various promotional opportunities.

Make sure the file name follows the format of LastName-FirstName_County_PositionYou'reRunningFor_Headshot (Ex: Clover-Chrysal_Levy_Reporter_Headshot)

Q39 What are 2-3 of your main projects in 4-H?

Q41 What is one of your favorite quotes related to life or leadership?

Q14 What is motivating you to run for a state officer position?

This will be posted alongside your resume and campaign graphic to give delegates some more insight into your platform.

Q36 4-H Professional Approval

Once you submit this application, your 4-H professional will receive an email at the address you list below. Please make sure that spelling is correct. They will not receive an email if spelling is incorrect.

If your county 4-H professional is related to you, please have another 4-H professional submit on their behalf.

Their responses are due July 17 by 11:59PM.

They will receive two automated follow up reminders. Be sure to also follow up on your own. You will receive a confirmation email once your contact has submitted their recommendation.

Q37 4-H Professional (Faculty/Staff ex: 4-H Agent, 4-H Program Assistant, County Extension Director)

- First Name (1) _____
- Last Name (2) _____
- Email (3) _____
- Confirm Email (4) _____

Q17 Statement by Member

I have read and understand the guidelines set forth in the Florida 4-H State Officer Candidate Packet, Participation Form (4-H Code of Conduct), and The Constitution and Bylaws of the Florida 4-H State Council. I personally prepared this application and it is true to the best of my knowledge. I am willing to conduct myself to the highest standard level expected for a Florida 4-H State Officer.

Q18 Approval of this Application

As parent/guardian, I am giving my permission and will support my child in fulfilling their Florida 4-H State Council Officer responsibilities if they are elected or appointed by their peers.

Q19 In the case you are not elected or appointed, do you wish to be on Executive Board as either a district delegate or appointed position?

If you fill this out, you will not need to submit a separate Executive Board application.

- Yes (you will be taken to the essay questions for that application and will not need to fill out a separate one; this full application will be submitted upon finishing those questions) (1)
- No (this application will be submitted with no further action needed) (2)

Skip To: End of Survey If In the case you are not elected or appointed, do you wish to be on Executive Board as either a di... = No (this application will be submitted with no further action needed)

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Q20 Please Choose One:

- I am one of my district's four (4) elected delegates. (1)
- I am applying to be an Executive Board Appointee. (2)

Skip To: Q41 If Please Choose One: = I am one of my district's four (4) elected delegates.

Q21 Will you be graduating senior this coming 4-H year?

- Yes (1)
 - No (2)
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Q43 Essay Questions

We encourage you to put thought and detail into these answers. These are primary factors in determining your selection as an Executive Board member.

Q22 What impact do you hope to have on the Florida 4-H program by being a member of the Executive Board?

Q23 What strengths do you have? How will you use your strengths to contribute to the work of your Executive Board committees?

Q41 Business-like Headshot

Please upload a clean, clear, and put together headshot; not a selfie. This will be used throughout the year for various promotional opportunities.

Make sure the file name follows the format of LastName-FirstName_County_Headshot (Ex: Clover-Chrystal_Levy__Headshot)

Q25 Rank the following Event Committees by which you prefer to work on:

- _____ iLEAD: Intermediate Leadership Conference (2)
- _____ 4-H Legislature (3)
- _____ 4-H University (4)

Q26 Rank the following Standing Committees by which you prefer to work on:

- _____ Ambassador (1)
 - _____ Service (2)
 - _____ Ways & Means (3)
 - _____ Youth Leadership (4)
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Q42 **OPTIONAL:** If you would like, provide any additional explanation for your rankings. This information is only to assist in committee assignments and will not affect your eligibility for Executive Board membership.

For example, if you are indifferent between your top two choices, but definitely don't want your third or fourth choice; or if you are extremely passionate about one particular committee, elaborate on that.

Q27 Are you a returning Executive Board Member?

- Yes (1)
 - No (2)
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If Are you a returning Executive Board Member? = Yes

Q28 Which Executive Board committees have you served on in the past?

- 4-H Day at the Capitol & Constitution (1)
 - iLEAD: Intermediate Leadership Conference (4)
 - 4-H Legislature (3)
 - 4-H University (2)
 - Communication and Council Support (CCS) (6)
 - Ambassador (5)
 - Service (7)
 - Ways & Means (8)
 - Youth Leadership (9)
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Q29 Member's Agreement Statement

I have read and understand the guidelines set forth in the Florida State 4-H Council Executive Board Packet, Participation Form (code of conduct), and the Constitution and Bylaws of the Florida 4-H Council.

I am willing to devote the time required and remain active in my club, county and district 4-H program, as well as maintain an acceptable academic standard (set by my parents) in school during my service as an Executive Board member.

I will attend the Executive Board Weekends (Oct, Jan, & Apr).

Furthermore, I am willing to conduct myself to the highest standard level expected for a State 4-H Council Executive Board member.

Q30 Parent/Guardian Agreement Statement

As parent/guardian, I will support my child in fulfilling their Executive Board responsibilities.

I am willing to pay or secure a sponsor to cover the estimated costs of the three Executive Board meetings and the state event that they are assigned. If I choose to solicit sponsors, I will visit with my local 4-H professional before making donor contacts.

I am willing to secure transportation for my child to ensure that they get to their required events.

I have read and understand the guidelines set forth in the Florida State 4-H Council Executive Board Packet, Participation Form (code of conduct), and the Constitution and Bylaws of the Florida 4-H Council.

Q31

Application Approval by 4-H Professional

Once you submit this application, your county 4-H professional will receive an email to confirm that they are aware of your application, you are a 4-H member in good standing, they have read and understand the guidelines regarding your role on Executive Board, and will support you in fulfilling your responsibilities as an Executive Board member.

Your application for Executive Board will not be considered complete until you receive approval from your county 4-H professional. Make sure you follow up with them.

County 4-H Professional Email

Florida 4-H State Officer Candidate Approval & Recommendation Form

Please submit this form by July 17 at 11:59PM.

Thank you for assisting with this effort. We appreciate your help in learning more about the suitability and abilities of this officer candidate. Your comments will be confidential and will not be shared with the 4-H member. It is your decision to provide the candidate with a copy of these remarks.

Q2 Your Name

Q3 Your Email

Q13 Confirm Your Email

Q4 Applicant First Name

Q5 Applicant Last Name

Q6 Applicant Email

Q14 Confirm Applicant Email

Q15 Parent/Guardian Email

Q16 Confirm Parent/Guardian Email

Q8 Is this 4-H member one of the two officially seated voting delegates for the county?
(A candidate must be an officially seated voting delegate to be a state officer candidate.)

Yes (1)

No (2)

Q9

Do you approve and consent to this 4-H member's application to be a 4-H State Council Officer?

Yes (1)

No (2)

Q10 Rank the 4-H member based on your knowledge of their abilities in the following areas.

This information is critical when rounding out the state officer team with our appointed positions. 5s across the board as a teenager isn't realistic and we don't expect that. This alone will not be the deciding factor, but your honesty is key to our success as a state officer team.

Q11

- 1 - skill not apparent/poor;
 - 2 - very little experience/below average;
 - 3 - some experience or potential/average;
 - 4 - very experienced/above average;
 - 5 - master/exceptional
- Not Applicable - no knowledge/have had little interaction

- Leadership
 - Organization
 - Self-Motivation
 - Follow Through
 - Teamwork
 - Critical Thinking
 - Maturity
 - Cooperativeness
 - Sensitivity Towards Others
 - Energy and Enthusiasm
 - Confidence
 - Ability to Handle Emergencies/Stress
 - Self-Discipline
 - Accepting Advice and Guidance
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**Q12 Please provide any additional comments you'd like to about the candidate.
(NO RECOMMENDATION LETTER NEEDED)**

This is your space to give more context to your rankings above. If they are lower in a quality, then have you seen growth elsewhere and know that they are capable of growth in this area too? If you ranked the high in a quality, what stands out to you that makes that ranking so high?
