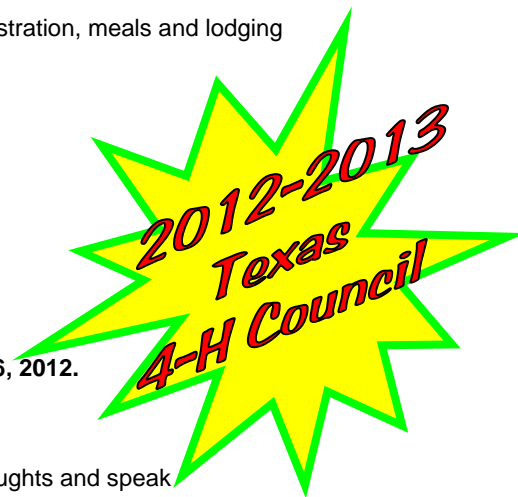


# Texas 4-H Council Membership Requirements

This internal communication document is to be provided annually to all Texas 4-H members in advance of district officer elections for representation on the Texas 4-H Council.

1. Texas 4-H Council membership is open to all youth, irrespective of race, color, disability, sex, religion, or national origin. Representation may consist of three delegates from each District 4-H Council selected at the District level according to state/district guidelines. One of the delegates should represent a diverse population.
2. Council members must:
  - reach their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday and
  - must not have reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before August 31<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year in which they are installed on the Texas 4-H Council.
3. Delegates shall be eligible to attain and hold membership on the Texas 4-H Council for only one year.
4. Texas 4-H Council membership only occurs after participation and completion of the entire Texas 4-H Council Workshop scheduled for **July 23-26, 2012 at the Texas 4-H Conference Center in Brownwood.** (\$250 approximate registration fee plus travel) **If an elected district delegate is unable to participate in the entire workshop, they forfeit their space on the Texas 4-H Council to another District delegate.** They will still retain their elected district office.
5. There are specific events/activities/meetings that are required of the (6) elected officers (President; 1st VP; 2nd VP; Secretary; Public Relations; Health and Safety) and encouraged for all members: *(some dates are tentative and subject to change)*
  - State Fair of Texas Honor Awards (**September 28-30, 2012 –Dallas**) -1 night lodging expense
  - Junior Leadership Retreat (**November 9-12, 2012 –TX 4-H Conference Center**) -registration cost at Center
  - January Planning Meeting (**January 4-6, 2013 –TX 4-H Conference Center**) -registration cost at Center
  - Texas 4-H Roundup (**June 10-14, 2013 –College Station**) -registration, meals and lodging
6. **Officer Positions:**
  - Executive Committee**
  - President
  - First Vice-President
  - Second Vice-President
  - Secretary
  - Public Relations Officer
  - Health and Safety Officer
7. **Officer Election Process:**
  - Officers shall be elected at the Texas 4-H Council Workshop **July 23-26, 2012.**
  - Officer campaigning is not allowed.
  - Nominations are by ballot.
  - A majority constitutes an election.
  - Candidates are given a topic and have two minutes to prepare their thoughts and speak before the group.



*I have read and understand this document and a copy of the Texas 4-H Council Standing Rules.*

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4-H Member Signature

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Date

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County Extension Agent Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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District 4-H Specialist Signature

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