

2026 APPALACHIAN FAIR YOUTH BOARD APPLICATION FORM



2026 Appalachian Fair ~ 100th Year ~ August 24th-29th, 2026

NAME: _____ DATE: _____
Filing date (mm/dd/yyyy)

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ AGE: _____

PHONE: _____ PARENT CELL PHONE: _____
(Cell Phone / Text)

APPLICANT E-MAIL: _____
(NOT SCHOOL EMAIL / Must be legible)

PARENT E-MAIL: _____
(Must be legible)

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PARENTS/GUARDIAN NAMES: _____

SCHOOL: _____ COUNTY: _____

CURRENT GRADE IN SCHOOL: 8TH ☐ 9TH ☐ 10TH ☐ 11TH ☐ 12TH ☐ COLLEGE 1ST YR ☐ COLLEGE 2ND YR ☐

IF COLLEGE STUDENT, MAJOR/FIELD OF STUDY _____

ORGANIZATION APPLYING TO REPRESENT (Choose all that apply): 4-H ☐ FFA ☐ HOSA ☐ CTE/SKILLS ☐
BOY SCOUTS ☐ GIRL SCOUTS ☐ FARM BUREAU ☐ OTHER NOT LISTED _____

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Tell about your leadership and citizenship activities:

Tell about your school and/or community activities:

Have you ever volunteered at the Appalachian Fair?

In what areas?

Have you ever exhibited at the Fair? _____ If so, list the departments that you entered:

WILL YOU BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST IN ACTIVITIES both the week of the Fair and the week(s) prior to the fair?
YES NO

Please list two (2) references (one should be in a youth-oriented position):

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Organization: _____ Organization: _____

Why do you want to be an Appalachian Fair Youth Board Member?

T-SHIRT SIZE: XS ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ XXL ☐

BY SIGNING, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THE RULES AND HEREBY AGREE THAT I WILL BE AVAILABLE TO SERVE DURING AND PRIOR TO THE WEEK OF THE FAIR AND ALL OTHER FUNCTIONS AS REQUIRED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES AS LISTED:

SIGNATURE OF YOUTH BOARD APPLICANT: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: _____

MAIL completed form to: APPALACHIAN FAIR, PO BOX 8218, GRAY, TN 37615

Deliver to: Appalachian Fair, 100 Lakeview Street, Gray, TN
Fax to 423.477.3853 or Email to: appalachianfair@gmail.com

For more information, please call the Fair Office at: 423.477.3211

Please return this completed application before January 9th, 2026

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RULES & REGULATIONS



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1. Age – Must be in at least the Eighth Grade and may **not** have reached their 21st birthday before or during the Fair week.
2. Applications – Application will be made to the Fair office and selections will be made by at least two adults, selected by the Fair Board of Directors. **Applicants must reapply each year.**
3. Responsibilities – Should be available to work during the week of the Fair and for 1 to 2 weeks prior to the Fair opening. **Youth Board members should be prepared to volunteer to work for approximately 15-20 hours prior to and during the Fair.** Most volunteer time will be in the evenings from 5-10pm. Volunteer time may include up to five (5) days and/or nights. Youth Board members should attend at least 75% of the meetings; either in person or virtual. Approximately four meetings are held each year. Please consider all extracurricular activities and the time they take when making your decision to apply for the Youth Board.
4. Youth Board members must serve at least one year before holding an office. If requested, officers are to attend the adult Fair Board meetings to report on their activities.
5. Youth Board members must follow all rules or be dismissed from the Youth Board.
6. Youth Board members in good standing will receive (1) full week pass, (1) full week companion pass, (1) full week parking pass, and two (2) reserved seat tickets to (2) concerts during the week of the fair.

NOTE: Any Youth Board member not meeting the requirements as listed above will not receive Fair passes, concert tickets, shirts, etc. and may be dismissed from the Youth Board.

Appalachian Fair Youth Board membership is a huge honor and responsibility and requires your dedication and commitment. Before applying, please talk with your family and decide together if this is something you would be able and willing to do.

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Volunteer opportunities:

Hardee's Coupons: Greet fairgoers as they enter the gates and pass out coupons. Interact with the crowd, smile, and be pleasant. **YOU'RE THE FIRST PERSON THEY SEE AS THEY ENTER THE FAIRGROUNDS.** Make sure the gates have plenty of coupons available for the night.

Appy's Kitchen: Work with Board Members and volunteers serving guests at the fair concession booth.

Pick TN Products: Pass out samples when available to visitors at the booth. Answer questions regarding Tennessee products and agriculture.

Watermelon Eating Contest: Help with the set-up of tables, slicing the watermelons, and clean-up after the contest.

Stage Lights / Stage Help: Operate the spotlights for the events at the Museum Stage and assist where needed at the Museum Stage.

Appy: THE BEST JOB! Dance, wave, take photos, and give hugs and high-5s all evening! Be HAPPY!! Your Appy!

Appy's Farm: Oversee the play area, watch and help keep toys from 'disappearing' from the play area, sweep/clean-up around the soil and corn pits. Make sure everything is left clean and neat before closing each night.

4-H Building Helper: Greet visitors who visit the 4-H building. Water plants, if needed, and check for produce that needs to be discarded.

Photographer: Take lots of photos of the fair. Events, buildings, midway, barns, EVERYTHING! COVER IT ALL! These photos help us promote the fair.

FFA Building Set-up: Assist the FFA Building advisors in getting ready for the fair.

Farm & Home Building Set-up: Assist the Farm & Home directors in getting the building ready for the fair.

Other duties and tasks will be added as needed.

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