

Healthy Habits Ambassadors

Cultivating healthy habits around food, nutrition and physical activity is important for ensuring your own health and the health of your community. Healthy Habits ambassadors will learn and share about food and nutrition, food access and security, preparing budget-friendly meals and snacks, and general health and well-being. 4-H'ers involved in a county program that currently has a Healthy Habits grant with Georgia 4-H or that plans to apply for a Healthy Habits grant in the next program year, if available, are given preference; however, you can STILL apply even if your county does not meet this criterion. Speak with your county 4-H leader/contact to make sure that they are willing to serve as a contact to assist with reporting related to the grant.

- Grant funding helps offset the cost of this content track. Therefore, the registration fee will be reduced to \$40.

Pollinators

Over the last several decades, the decline in pollinator species can be attributed to many causes – pests and pathogens, chemical exposure, loss of species and genetic diversity, changing climate, and habitat loss, degradation, and/or fragmentation. Approximately 75% of the worldwide crops that produce fruit or seeds to feed humans depend (at least in part) on pollinators. Outside of agricultural systems, approximately 80-85% of the plant species found in natural habitats require animal-mediated pollination. As a Pollinator Ambassador, your learning and sharing activities will focus on building awareness about pollinators and taking action to help preserve pollinator habitats.

- The registration fee for this track is \$80. It is likely grant funding will support this track, and a reduced rate may be offered. Final cost will be announced in June.

Ready4Life Ambassadors

For nearly everyone, life after high school involves college, career, or both. So, it's important to be ready for whatever life has in store, and the Ready4Life Ambassador track is here to help! Prepare to learn about and teach others the basics of college and career readiness: exploring personality types and leadership styles to improve group dynamics; completing a career assessment tool that recommends professions to consider based on interests, skills, and personality; and practicing teamwork and goal-setting. Still not sure you're ready? No worries, because the fun is just beginning! We'll be dropping knowledge about professionalism and office etiquette, resume preparation, mastering presentation skills, financial management, making positive first impressions, engaging with local government, entrepreneurship, and more!

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Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)

STEM education is an approach that focuses on an integrated experience of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. From understanding the science behind growing food to programming robots, STEM is a hands-on discipline that supports our future! STEM makes creators, thinkers, problem solvers, doers, innovators, and inventors. In an era when technical and scientific skills are increasingly important in the workforce, youth to STEM learning in the early years is key. As a STEM Ambassador, your learning and sharing activities will focus on engaging others in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

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Wildlife

Georgia's wildlife species are diverse – from black bears to salamanders, these organisms play critical roles in our ecosystems. By conserving wildlife, we're ensuring that future generations can enjoy our natural world and the incredible species that live within it. This new Ambassador track is co-coordinated by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources (DNR). As a Wildlife Ambassador, your learning and sharing activities will focus on understanding how wildlife species interact within their ecosystems and how they are affected by environmental and human influences.

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