**Virginia 4-H Shooting Education**

**Teen Ambassador**

**Application Packet 2018**

**Deadline – 12 Noon, Saturday, September 8, 2018**

Complete and bring with you to the 2018 State 4-H Shoot or mail to:

Robert Tillotson

8868 Red House Road

Appomattox, VA 24522

**Applicants need to attend the State 4-H Shoot, September 8, 2018 for selection interviews Saturday evening. If you cannot attend that Saturday, please contact Robert Tillotson so we can see if there *may* be an alternative.**

**Questions?**

Contact Mandi Dolan by e-mail: mandi@vt.edu

or by phone: 434-432-7770 or 434-713-8266

or

Robert Tillotson by email: ricochetroberts6@gmail.com

or by phone: 434-841-6055

**Eligibility**

**Virginia 4-H Shooting Education Teen Ambassador Program**

The Virginia4-H Shooting Education Teen Ambassador Program affords teens the opportunity to demonstrate and build upon their skills in citizenship, leadership, and public speakingas they travel around Virginia serving as advocates and spokespersons for 4-H Shooting Education. The function of this group is to help build the shooting education program in Virginia and to help its members increase their knowledge of the sport. This is a service organization for which it is an honor to be chosen and is only as strong as its participants.

Virginia will select teens to represent our state.Teens must:

* be 14 years of age, but not over the age of 19 as of January 1, 2019 (may finish term past 19th birthday)
* have a GPA of 2.5 or higher (desirable)
* be enrolled in 4-H and actively participating in a 4-H Shooting Education Program
* be willing and able to attend the Virginia 4-H Instructor weekends and other training weekends. Teens may have to bear the total cost of this training (meals, lodging, travel, etc.). However, we have been able to raise funds to offset much of the costs in the past.
* Serve a two-year term (renewable) if selected
* be willing and able to take limited time off from school (three to five days per school year) if selected as a Virginia Ambassador
* be aware that only a limited number of teens from across the state may be selected to serve as Virginia Ambassadors

**Tentative Program Training Dates for 2018-2019**

September 8 - Applications due; selection interviews to be held Saturday

 evening of State 4-H Shoot

October 19-21 - Instructor Training Weekend

November 9-11 - Training in conjunction with 4-H Symposium, Natural Bridge, VA

January - Ambassador Training Weekend

- State Council Meeting and Training

- 4-H Day at the Capital

February - Mid-Atlantic Safari Club International Fundraiser (River Creek

 Club, Leesburg)

February/March - Instructor Training Weekend

March 15-17 - Spring Air, Skelton 4H Center

April - State 4H Shooting Education Council

July - Potential for national 4-H teen leadership workshop

 - State 4H Shooting Education Council

September - State 4-H Shoot

We would like to have some gun shows, outdoor shows and other events including fundraising added to this schedule. Those dates will be set at our training meetings.

**Application**

**Virginia 4-H Shooting Education Teen Ambassador Program**

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Phone Number: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Cell)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parents Contact Information:

Name(s):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Unit (County or City): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

4-H Shooting Education Club: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Age as of October 1, 2018: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Year in School or College: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade Point Average (GPA): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

School or College attending: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Month & Year of High School Graduation:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Years in 4-H:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size: T-Shirt \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Polo/Button-up \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\* Polo shirts and button-ups can come in different styles/cuts. Please circle which cut you prefer: **Men’s Women’s**

Years in: Portfolio Completed (check if yes)

* Air Pistol: \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Air Rifle: \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Archery: \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Hunting: \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Muzzleloading: \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Shotgun: \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Smallbore Pistol: \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Smallbore Rifle: \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Discipline in which you are most interested: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Shooting Certifications Held (4H, NRA, Other):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Other Certifications Held (ex. Lifeguard, First Aid, CPR): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Questionnaire**

The following is a list of questions about your 4-H shooting activities, other 4-H activities, and community and school involvement. Fill out to the best of your ability. You may not have activities to list under each question. Be sure to include your experiences in citizenship, leadership, and public speaking. Examples of information to include but are not limited to: shooting experience (camps, competitions, training), school activities (clubs, sports), church activities, civic activities, community service, etc.

Participation in competitive events in the 4-H Shooting Education Program:

(Example: State 4H Shotgun Championship – 2015, 2016, NE/SE District Shoot – 2014, air pistol, AP silhouettes) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Participation in competitive **non 4-H** shooting events: (Example: American Legion Air Rifle –2015) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Offices, committee positions, or leadership roles held in 4-H Clubs: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Offices, committee positions, or leadership roles held in **non-4H** Clubs/Groups: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever attended a “gun show”? If yes, your impressions: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever attended an “outdoor show”? If yes, your impressions: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever helped with fundraising for an organization? If yes, please explain how: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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Have you ever recruited new members to the shooting program? If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever given a program for a civic (Ruritans, Lions, etc.) group? If yes,please describe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever written a news article about shooting/shooting sports? If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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List any honors or awards you have received (4-H **and** other): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Discussion**

Please answer the following questions. You may add additional pages if necessary, but please keep your answers brief.

**What has 4-H taught me?**

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**How has 4-H helped me?**

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**How can I promote the Virginia 4-H Shooting Education Program?**

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**Certification Form**

**Virginia 4-H Shooting Education Teen Ambassador Program**

***ALL SIGNATURES MUST BE ACQUIRED PRIOR TO APPLICATION SUBMISSION***

*I have reviewed the “Virginia 4-H Shooting Education Teen Ambassador Program Description and Information” and I am willing to make the Ambassador Program a priority and devote the time required. I will be active in my club and county 4-H program as well as maintain an acceptable academic standard in school during my service as a Virginia 4-H Shooting Education Teen Ambassador. Further, I am willing to conduct myself in the highest standards expected of a Teen Ambassador.*

Applicant’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date

*We (I) understand that our (my) son/daughter wishes to serve as a Virginia 4-H Shooting Education Teen Ambassador. We (I) will support him/her in fulfilling the responsibilities should he/she be selected.We (I) understand that this is a time and financial commitment. There will training weekends and costs of meals and lodging. Financial costs will be kept as low as possible. The Program offsets costs whenever possible.*

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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*We certify that the above named 4-H’er is enrolled, active, and in good standing inour*

*4-H shooting education club and county 4-H program. We support his/her application for the position of Virginia 4-H Shooting Education Teen Ambassador.*

4-H Club Leader Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Extension Agent Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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