

WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

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2019 VOLUNTEER ADULT CONTACT APPLICATION

I am applying to be a Wisconsin State Fair approved **VOLUNTEER ADULT CONTACT (VAC)**:

Volunteer Adult Group Contact (VAGC)

Application Due for Group Leader: April 10th

Application Due for Group Assistant: June 1st to July 1st

Lead, coordinate and supervise Wisconsin State Fair Junior Show group animal exhibits in the barns which may consist of junior animal exhibitors from a single county, multiple counties or other criteria as defined by the Wisconsin State Fair approved VAGC.

Volunteer Adult Independent Contact (VAIC)

Application Due: May 23rd

Lead, coordinate and supervise a Wisconsin State Fair Junior Show independent animal exhibitor in the barns. Junior exhibitors, regardless of age, who choose to stall as independent must have an adult contact (21 and over).

Volunteer Adult Contact guidelines and responsibilities include:

- Cooperate with, support and accept guidance from Wisconsin State Fair Management showcasing Agriculture and youth programs at the Fair. **VAGCs and VAICs** (21 and older) are approved Wisconsin State Fair volunteers but are not Wisconsin State Fair employees; therefore, they are not covered by the Wisconsin State Fair's Worker's Compensation Policy.
- Wisconsin State Fair will run a criminal background record check on all potential Volunteer Adult applicants.
- **All approved Volunteer Adults will be required** to complete online or in-person volunteer training. Specific training program details are forthcoming, but we expect training to include identifying sexual harassment, hazing, bullying, first aid, event responder training, etc.
- **Volunteer Adult Contacts (VACs)** must conduct themselves in a manner which is in the best interest of youth participants and Wisconsin State Fair. VACs may not use their volunteer authority or title for purposes of private or personal gain. VACs are also expected to conduct themselves with courteous manners/language, exhibit good sportsmanship, serve as a positive role model, treat others with respect and demonstrate reasonable conflict resolution skills. In addition, VAC's may not consume or be under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances while in this supervisory volunteer role at Wisconsin State Fair.
- If transporting youth/adults, operate motor vehicles and other equipment in a safe and reliable manner and only with a valid operator's license, legally required insurance and compliance with all related state regulations and laws.
- VACs must see to it that animals are treated in a humane manner and teach junior exhibitors to provide appropriate animal care and management.
- All VACs must agree to inform Wisconsin State Fair Management of any policy/rule infractions or inappropriate behaviors if incidents occur (including but not limited to: poor attitudes, alcohol/drug possession or usage, vandalism, hazing, violence). *Failure to report any policy/rule infractions or inappropriate behaviors may leave the State Fair and you (the VAC) to unwanted criticism and/or legal liabilities and challenges.*
- Wisconsin State Fair Junior Division Agriculture employees in the Beef, Dairy, Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep and Swine Departments are **NOT** eligible to serve as a VAC during their active employment.

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- A limited number of VACs may have the opportunity to stay in the Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center. However, they will have no Youth Center supervision responsibilities. If accepted for Youth Center lodging, Volunteer Adults will be housed in "Adult Only" rooms.

All applications for VACs will be reviewed by Wisconsin State Fair Management. Acceptance will be based on the applicant's criminal background record check, prior Wisconsin State Fair supervisory experience, reference checks with WSF approved youth organizations and must be able to stay at Wisconsin State Fair for the duration of time their junior show animal exhibit is at Wisconsin State Fair.

Approved VACs will be selected by Wisconsin State Fair Management and notified of their acceptance or denial by April 17th. Additionally, accepted VAGCS will have their names and contact information posted on the Wisconsin State Fair website by April 17th, allowing potential junior exhibitors enough time to confirm with the **VAGC** if they wish to be a part of the VAGC's group animal exhibit at the 2019 Wisconsin State Fair.

Please Complete Application Neatly

First Name _____ Middle Name _____ Last Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Male Female

Primary Phone Number (____) _____ Secondary Phone (____) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

HEALTH/WELLNESS INFORMATION:

Emergency Contact: Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Emergency Contact: Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Health Insurance Company Name: _____

Primary Care Physician: _____ Phone (____) _____

Dentist: _____ Phone (____) _____

MEDICAL CONSENT

It is our policy to secure consent for all the following. By signing below,

- In case of illness or injury to myself I am giving my consent in advance for medical treatment at an appropriate medical facility.
- I have read "Wisconsin State Fair Rules and Regulations" (located on wistatefair.com) and I can participate in planned activities.
- I am aware of and accept the risk inherent in the program activity.
- I attest all information in this document is accurate.
- I hold harmless and indemnify Wisconsin State Fair, their officers, agents and employees from all liability, loss, damages, costs or expenses which are sustained, incurred or required arising out of my actions while at Wisconsin State Fair Park.

Applicant Signature

Date

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Wisconsin State Fair takes seriously its obligation to provide a safe environment for all persons who attend the Fair. Wisconsin State Fair will annually conduct a criminal background check of all applicants and require either online or in-person volunteer training to provide a safer environment for the well-being of all. Information obtained will not automatically disqualify applicants from consideration.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND RECORDS CHECK INFORMATION:

1) Have you been approved as a past Wisconsin State Fair Junior Division adult volunteer/facilitator? Yes No

If yes, please list the most current year: _____ and the number of years: _____ Affiliation: _____

2) Have you completed the Wisconsin State Fair Youth Protection program? Yes No

If yes, please list the year completed: _____

3) Do you have children participating in the Wisconsin State Fair Junior Division Livestock Shows? Yes No

If yes, please circle the Junior Division Department in which the child is/children are participating:

Beef Dairy Goats Poultry Rabbits Sheep Swine

4) Are you or have you been known by any other names? (maiden, marriage, legally changed, etc.)

Yes No If yes, what names?: _____

5) Have you ever been convicted of violating any civil, state, or federal law or local ordinance for actions involving sexual conduct, physical abuse of a child, and/or contributing to the delinquency of a child? Yes No

6) Have you ever been convicted of any criminal offense (including criminal traffic matters; no general traffic violations) in any jurisdiction? Yes No If yes, was it a: Felony Misdemeanor

7) Are you currently on probation, parole, or other court-ordered supervision in any jurisdiction? Yes No

8) Have you ever been acquitted or found not guilty by reason of insanity, mental disease or defect, diminished mental capacity or comparable legal defense or basis of an offense involving sexual conduct, or harm or threat of harm to another? Yes No

9) Is any investigation or criminal charge pending against you in any jurisdiction? Yes No

10) Have you been convicted of crime involving a minor (including a deferred imposition of sentence)? Yes No

VOLUNTEER ADULT GROUP CONTACT EXHIBIT INFORMATION (VAGC):

Exhibit Name: _____

Example: XX County exhibit, Lost River Area exhibit, Hwy 12 ramblers exhibit, Udder Fabulous Exhibit, etc.)

Primary Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please list an approved WSF youth organization you are affiliated with which may provide a reference for your approval as a Wisconsin State Fair Volunteer Adult Contact: _____

Approximate Number of Junior exhibitors who will exhibit in this group: _____

Please note for every 10 exhibitors 1 additional volunteer adult will need to be approved as a Volunteer Adult Contact. Additional volunteer adults will not need to apply until after the junior entry deadline and exhibitor numbers for each group are confirmed.

Specific criteria or limitations for exhibitor to be eligible to exhibit with this group: _____

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Please communicate with potential exhibitors your group's name and/or requirements for exhibit acceptance. Junior exhibitors may not switch their declared exhibit selection once entries have been submitted.

If the **VAGCs** animal exhibit includes more than 10 junior show exhibitors, the VAGC is responsible to find additional adult volunteers to assist supervising the group's exhibitors in the barns so the required ratio of **1 adult to a maximum of 10 junior division exhibitors** is satisfied within their group animal exhibit.

- *Example:* 15 junior exhibitors are exhibiting within group animal exhibit "Blue River Dairy". The exhibit will need a lead **VAGC** and 1 additional Adult Group Volunteer. All additional volunteer adults must complete the application process just like the lead **VAGC** for their group (completing an application, passing a criminal background record check, completing online or in-person volunteer training and be onsite during the State Fair for their respective junior show(s)).

Please accept my application to be a Wisconsin State Fair Volunteer Adult Contact. I acknowledge/understand, through this application process, my criminal background record will be checked. Additionally, I have read the Wisconsin State Fair rules and regulations and the above guidelines, and I agree to abide by them.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

TOMMY G. THOMPSON YOUTH CENTER LODGING REQUEST:

A limited number of volunteer adult beds in the Tommy G. Thompson YOUTH CENTER will be available for approved volunteer adults contacts who you are supervising Junior division exhibitors in the barns at the 2019 Wisconsin State Fair. Please note volunteer adult contacts will have no Youth Center supervision responsibilities. If accepted for Youth Center lodging, volunteer adults will be housed in adult rooms only.

Volunteer Adult Contact Name: _____

Please check the corresponding boxes of the specific session in which you have interest to stay in the Youth Center. Approved Volunteer Adult Contacts who are awarded Youth Center lodging will be sent official Youth Center registration in June.

Session 1

Junior Dairy, Dairy & Boer Goats Session	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dairy <input type="checkbox"/> Goats	
Tues., July 30 optional <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
Wednesday, July 31 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
Thursday, August 1 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
Friday, August 2 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
Saturday, August 3 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
<i>Check out: by noon Sunday, August 4</i>	

Junior Rabbits & Breeding Gilts Session	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rabbits <input type="checkbox"/> Breeding Gilts	
Wednesday, July 31 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
Thursday, August 1 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
<i>Check out: by 1 pm Friday, August 2</i>	

Session 2

Junior Poultry Session	
<input type="checkbox"/> Poultry	
Wednesday, August 7 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
Thursday, August 8 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
<i>Check out: by noon Friday, August 10</i>	

Junior Beef, Sheep & Market Swine Session	
<input type="checkbox"/> Beef <input type="checkbox"/> Sheep <input type="checkbox"/> Swine	
Monday, August 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Room Check In 12:15 am - 7 am	@ \$35 = _____
Room Check In after 7 am	@ \$25 = _____
Tuesday, August 6 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
Wednesday, August 7 <input type="checkbox"/>	@ \$25 = _____
<i>Check out: by 1 pm Thursday, August 9</i>	