



June 8, 2018

Dear Prospective or Returning JDRF Youth Ambassador:

We are writing to invite you to participate in the 2018-2019 JDRF Youth Ambassador Program. This group is made up of children and their families living with type 1 diabetes, between the ages of 7 and 17 (first grade to senior year in high school), who are interested in becoming involved with the educational and volunteer efforts of the JDRF Southern Nevada Chapter.

This group provides awareness of type1diabetes (T1D) to our community and helps support the mission of JDRF as we work to fund the research to find better treatments and a cure for T1D. There will be a variety of opportunities for the Youth Ambassadors to volunteer individually and as a group. For our older YAs, these opportunities are a great way to start or continue to build your college resume. For our younger members, they can be a great way to build confidence and meet other people living with T1D and feel less alone.

Our goal for program participants is to feel ownership and pride in their group while continuing the progress of education and fundraising. We have made small adjustments with the Speakers Bureau Program, and we are bringing back this valuable opportunity which allows our Youth Ambassadors to strengthen their public speaking skills while assisting JDRF in effectively spreading diabetes awareness. In addition to the benefits gained through the Speakers Bureau, JDRF will also continue to offer the JDRF Camp Sponsorship for qualified Youth Ambassadors. Additional information on Camp Sponsorship, Speakers Bureau, and Office nominating criteria can be found beginning on page 3.

We hope you will choose to participate in the JDRF Youth Ambassador Program. You have the ability to use your voice to spread diabetes awareness and help JDRF in many ways that only you can! We need your voice, your participation, and your leadership. Enclosed you will find a sheet expanding on the responsibilities that you will be asked to fulfill, as well as, a JDRF Youth Ambassador Program application form. **Please return your completed forms no later than September 1, 2018.**

Please complete the form and send it back one of three ways:

E-mail: lnether@jdrf.org

Fax: 702-732-1635

Mail: 5542 S. Fort Apache Rd., Suite 100, Las Vegas, NV 89148

On behalf of JDRF, we are looking forward to working with you. Together, we can make a difference!

With Hope for a Cure,

JDRF Outreach Manager
Mother of Kendall, diagnosed at 18mths

Youth Ambassador Chair
Parents of Nick, diagnosed at 10



REQUIREMENTS/RESPONSIBILITIES 2018-2019

Requirements

1. Have type 1 diabetes.
2. Be willing to share your personal story in front of large groups and the media.
3. Have a positive outlook on life and diabetes!
4. Ages 7-17 years old and/or 1st – 12th grade.
5. Obtain parental permission in writing to be a part of the Youth Ambassador Program.
6. Commit to participating in the Youth Ambassador program and events for a full school year (September 2018– June 2019).
7. ***Complete a minimum of 20 hours of volunteer service at JDRF events and community outreach programs.**
8. ***Organize your own or join and fundraise a minimum of \$500 for a JDRF One Walk team.**
9. Arrange for transportation to and from JDRF events and social activities.
10. Must abide by and maintain good CCSD or school Code of Conduct policies.
11. Keep your parents involved.

Responsibilities *(Participation in some activities may be based on age appropriateness)*

1. Health education in the community/volunteer efforts for JDRF through:
 - a. Public speaking and presentations to schools, hospitals, companies, and organizations.
 - b. Production of radio and TV PSA's.
 - c. Health Fair participation.
2. Perform general public relations activities.
3. Help JDRF create and distribute awards, and other special gifts and recognition for our community partners.
4. Provide office assistance (assist with projects, writing and invitation mailings, etc.).
5. **Participate in TypeOneNation and Gala activities.**
6. **Participate in Walk activities.**
7. Volunteer to make calls to JDRF donors and sponsors to thank them for their support.
8. Additional activities will likely be added.
9. Connect to "The Ambassadors" Facebook page to stay up to date.



OFFICE POSITIONS 2018-2019

Youth Ambassadors (YA) members will have the option to become a Youth Ambassador Officer. Candidates will have the opportunity to introduce themselves to members of the Youth Ambassador Program at the Program Kick-Off Party in early September.

Please return your completed form indicating your interest in running for office no later than September 1, 2018.

Members will cast their ballots at the kickoff and the 2018-2019 Officers will be announced at the end of the event. We are now accepting nominations for the following positions:

- **President and Vice President** – Members entering into their sophomore year up to senior year in high school may nominate themselves to run for President. The Youth Ambassador President will primarily act as the voice for members of the Youth Ambassador Program and will also assist in coordinating and determining social activities for one term. President will speak on behalf of Youth Ambassadors at JDRF events and in the community. Position holder is required to be active and present at all Youth Ambassador related activities and JDRF events where Youth Ambassadors have been invited. This position can be held for up to two (2) terms. The VP will be selected as the candidate with the second greatest amount of votes and will act as the backup to the President in all Youth Ambassador related activities. VP will be held to the same expectations as the President for the Youth Ambassadors.
- **Historian (2)** – Members entering into the seventh grade through senior year in high school may nominate themselves to run for Historian. The Youth Ambassador Historian will hold the memories of the group in his/her hands. By collecting and gathering together first-hand accounts, photographs, newspaper clippings and other memorabilia, he/she becomes actively involved in our YA community while providing future members with a detailed record of YA participation. **The Youth Ambassador Historian must be willing to attend as many Youth Ambassador events and activities as possible to capture these moments.** At the end of the Youth Ambassador term the Historian will be asked to put together a slide show that will be presented at the end of the year celebration. This position can be held for up to two (2) terms. Youth ambassador must have their own camera to take photos from the YA perspective at attending events.
- *Additional positions may be added based on number of Youth Ambassador Applications.*



2018-2019 Youth Ambassador Chair

The Anelli Family

We are the Anelli's: Jeremy, Emily, Nicholas and Alyssandra. We are a family that has never been a stranger to change due to Jeremy's fourteen years of service with the United States Navy. Jeremy, now working as a Field Service Engineer with a solar company, and I work in hospitality at the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority. Nicholas loves flag football and video games and will be entering 7th grade this fall. Aly enjoys singing and gymnastics, will be entering 5th this fall. We left San Diego, CA to move to Las Vegas in 2012 where we could begin to settle down.

On March 7, 2016, the evening before Nick's 10th birthday, our family was hit with a change we would have never expected. What we thought to be a stomach bug for Nicholas turned into a week in the PICU and a DKA diagnosis. Looking back, knowing what we know now, we should have seen the signs and symptoms. Unfortunately, we were uneducated and unaware. Thankfully we were introduced to JDRF very early on. We quickly knew that we wanted to be involved with this organization that was going to one day save the lives of millions.

Over the last 2 years and 2 months, for us, JDRF was the arms that embraced us through the rough days, the shoulders to cry on when we are at the end of our rope, the reason we continue to celebrate milestones day after day and year after year. When our closest family and friends didn't understand, there was always someone in our JDRF community that had been in our shoes. JDRF has been such a huge part of our lives and hands down the biggest supporter since Nicholas was diagnosed. We have had the honor and privilege to participate in the JDRF Walk, Type-One Summit, Hope Gala, Youth Ambassador Program, Outreach Program and look forward to many more JDRF activities. We are confident that our involvement not only allows us to help educate and provide the same support to new families, but will help Nicholas to see that he is not alone and we are doing all we can to turn Type-1 to TypeNONE!

We will continue to be involved with JDRF for our son and the millions of others living with Type-1, **until there is a cure**. It is our honor to chair the Youth Ambassador program.



SPEAKERS' BUREAU 2018-2019

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We are looking for YAs who love to educate others about JDRF, life with type 1 diabetes, and are willing to speak in front of a group of prospective community partners. YA Speakers' Bureau members will help increase JDRF's fundraising goals through presentations and speaking engagements that motivate members of the Las Vegas community to become involved and give generously to our organization.

As a participant in the JDRF Youth Ambassador Speakers' Bureau you will be called upon to speak at various times and locations throughout the year including such occasions as: TV and radio interviews, school assemblies, health fairs, and in front of corporations.

Professional training will be provided to all who commit to be a part of the Speakers' Bureau. The training sessions will provide you with facts and information regarding JDRF and type 1 diabetes as well as helpful tips and exercises to strengthen public speaking skills. Although JDRF will provide you with specific scripts that will help prepare you for each speaking engagement, the training received through the Speaker's Bureau will aid in preparing you for presenting in front of audiences large and small as well as in front of television cameras.

Participants will be placed on a rotating list to ensure that each speaker be called on at least once a term. Please be aware that some speaking occasions could be during school hours.

Requirements:

- Youth Ambassadors of all ages and years of experience are eligible to participate.
- Must be able to proficiently read and write
- Make every effort to attend all sessions, as each session builds upon the last lesson. If missing a session is unavoidable, one session may be missed with advance notice provided to Amy, Emily or Latoschka. Any missed assignments must be completed before the next scheduled session.
- Senior, experienced Youth Ambassadors will also serve as examples and give guidance to new and less experienced YA's

Conduct:

- No cell phone use unless it's an emergency or pump interaction
- Be respectful of your peers when they are presenting
- Be attentive; no side conversations
- Participation always encouraged



Instructor: Amy Roberge, Sawyer Middle School

Amy Roberge is a 20 year veteran teacher for CCSD. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Education, and two Master’s Degrees, one in Curriculum Writing and the other in Administration and Supervision. She has spent her years in CCSD at Grant Sawyer MS, teaching an award-winning Theater program. Her students have competed in speeches and scenes at the Regional and State level, and she just returned from the National competition where 5 students competed. Miss Roberge is in the process of running a summer theater camp funded by a grant from the Rogers Foundation which awarded her and her program over \$38,000.

This past year, Grant Sawyer MS became very involved in JDRF. Miss Roberge was the co-instructor for a two day professional development class about Type 1 Diabetes. Her responsibilities were to instruct the students with Type 1 Diabetes to learn to self-advocate, and to discover and practice the keys to becoming a better public speaker. The class ended with a screening of iMovies the students had created about different aspects of living with Type 1 Diabetes. She is very excited to be able to use her abilities to help the Youth Ambassadors Program.

By the end of the Youth Ambassador term, as a member of the Speakers’ Bureau you will have improved in the following:

- Creating your story
- Sharing your story
- Connecting with your audience
- Eye contact
- Thinking on your feet
- Voice projection
- Speaking slowly and clearly
- Appropriate body language
- Addressing groups of various sizes

You will learn to learn to do these things through:

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| Games | Having fun! |
| Exercises | Homework |
| Incentive prizes | Guest Speakers |
| In class participation | |

Most importantly, these are lifetime skills that will be beneficial to you today and in the future.

Sessions will be 2 hours in length. This group requires your commitment to, in your best effort, attend every session. In the event that the instructor is not able to teach a session, a substitute will be arranged or an alternative session date will promptly be provided. Parents will drop off and return at the end of the session. Food and snacks will be provided by JDRF.

Speakers Sessions will be held in: Actual Dates TBD

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| October 2018 | February 2019 |
| December 2018 | April 2019 |

Youth Ambassadors will be given the opportunity to display their skills at the End of the Year Soirée in June 2019.



**CURRENTLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES
2017-2018**

Scheduled JDRF Events

1. Youth Ambassador Kick-Off Party – Saturday, September 15, 2018 11a-2p Pool Party-Singletary home
2. Speakers Bureau – October 2018 5-6:30 (wear your new YA shirt for group photo)*
3. Cork and Soul– Saturday, October 19th from 5:30-9:00pm (parent and YA must register together if attending)
4. ***JDRF One Walk – Saturday, November 3, 2017 UNLV from 9:00am-12:00p, required participation for camp sponsorship**
5. Youth Ambassador Activity: Holiday Cards – November 2018
6. *JDRF Open House - December, 2018 5-6:30 TBD
7. Youth Ambassador Social: January 2019
8. Speakers Bureau – February 2019 5-6:30 *
9. **TypeOne Nation Summit –Saturday, February 23, 2019-YA attendance required for camp sponsorship***
10. Youth Ambassador Social-March 2019
11. Giving Activity –Spring Break
12. Speakers Bureau- April 2019 5-6:30
13. JDRF Hope Gala – (TBD) Friday, May 2019. YA's must meet participation requirements to attend.
14. Community Point-of-Sale Partner Event – May 2019 TBD
15. Youth Ambassador Social: Activity voted on by YAs – Saturday, May 2019*
16. YA End of the Year Soirée –June 2019. Camp applications due. YA's must meet participation requirements to be sponsored.

***PLEASE ALSO NOTE: JDRF MAY SCHEDULE ADDITIONAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE YOUTH AMBASSADOR TERM. WE WILL COMMUNICATE DETAILS ABOUT THE EVENTS SCHEDULED ABOVE AND FUTURE OUTINGS VIA EMAIL. SOME EVENTS AND DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**



JDRF YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAM
2018 - 2019 APPLICATION

Child's Name: _____ Male Female

Mailing Address for YA: _____ Birthday: ____/____/____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ T1D diagnosis date: ____/____/____

Home Phone: _____ T-shirt Size: _____

Child Email address: _____ Child Cell: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

JDRF One Walk Team Name: _____ Fundraising Goal: \$ _____

We recognize the diversity of family situations; please provide as much information as applicable.
Please provide all phone numbers and select the preferred primary contact number.

Parent/Legal Guardian #1 Name: _____	Parent/Legal Guardian #1 Cell: _____
Email Address: _____	_____
Parent/Legal Guardian #2 Name: _____	Parent/Legal Guardian #2 Cell: _____
Email Address _____	_____
Parent/Legal Guardian #3 Name: _____	Parent/Legal Guardian #3 Cell: _____
Email Address _____	_____
Parent/Legal Guardian #4 Name: _____	Parent/Legal Guardian #4 Cell: _____
Email Address _____	_____



JDRF YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAM
2018- 2019 APPLICATION

Youth Ambassador Personal Statement

We want to know more about you and your expectations for the Youth Ambassador program. Please write your answers in complete sentences. Your personal statement could include more information about your hobbies and interests. It should also include at least one experience, activity, or type of personal growth (e.g. become more outgoing, get better at public speaking, etc.) that you want to gain from your time as a JDRF Youth Ambassador.



2018-2019
VIDEO/PHOTOGRAPH RELEASE FORM

I, _____ (please print) as the parent or guardian of _____ who is not of legal age, do hereby consent and authorize the JDRF to use and reproduce the video and or photographs taken of him or her and circulate same for promotion of JDRF events and purposes.

I further release the JDRF from any and all claims of damages for libel, slander, invasion of the rights of privacy, or any other claims based on, arising from, or connected with the use of said video and photographs. No representations have been made to me.

Witness _____

Signature _____

Of parent or guardian

Address _____

Telephone # _____

Date _____



Code of Conduct

As a JDRF Southern Nevada Chapter Youth Ambassador you are valued and appreciated for your commitment to the organization. Your pledge as an Ambassador comes with accountability. By accepting the title of a JDRF Youth Ambassador you understand that your behavior directly reflects upon JDRF's reputation. Youth Ambassadors are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that allows the furtherance of the JDRF mission. You are obligated to conduct yourself as a lawful member 100% of the time. Treating each other with the respect, being punctual, a willingness to help and learn, a positive attitude and adherence to the volunteer conduct guidelines is expected and encouraged.

For this reason JDRF has listed the following expectations:

If any of the following are violated a warning will be issued and an in person meeting with a parent/guardian will be set.

1. Be courteous and respect the opinions of your peers, JDRF staff, donors, and JDRF guests.
2. Absolutely NO verbal abuse or bullying of any kind will be tolerated.
3. Respect each other's personal space.
4. As representatives of JDRF, public displays of affection are not appropriate for JDRF events, outings, and/or activities.
5. Use of electronics (including cell phones) should be extremely limited during Youth Ambassador Events. Hand held gaming devices do not have a place at JDRF events and activities. Music devices and/or using music apps are permitted on an event by event basis. The music must be appropriate for the group. Music listed as "parental advisory" or that has explicit content is not permitted. **Cell phones are allowed for emergency and communicating with parents/guardians use only.**
6. Youth must stay in groups of two or more at all times and you must notify a Youth Ambassador leader of your whereabouts. No one is permitted to go anywhere without a Youth Ambassador lead's approval.
7. No one is permitted to get into a vehicle and travel anywhere with another Youth Ambassador or guest without adult/parent/guardian approval.
8. Punctuality is a high priority. Arrive 10-15 minutes prior to your scheduled time for all JDRF related activities, events, and/or meetings where you are scheduled to appear.
9. Attend all socials and volunteer opportunities where you promise to be present – More than two (2) no shows will constitute as your resignation from the Youth Ambassador Program.



Individuals in violation of the following will be immediately dismissed from the Youth Ambassador Program. Parents or guardians will be notified immediately to pick up the Youth Ambassador from the event or activity.

- 1. Any damages incurred to property or possessions not belonging to you with malicious intent will result in immediate dismissal. Furthermore, any damage incurred to property or possessions will be paid for by the individual or individuals who cause the damage.
- 2. Absolutely NO physical abuse with the intent to harm will be tolerated.
- 3. Drinking alcohol is strictly prohibited. If you are caught with it your parents as well as authorities will be notified.
- 4. The use of any illegal substances is strictly prohibited. If you are caught with them, your parents as well as the authorities will be notified
- 5. Any type of weapon (guns, knives, etc.) is not permitted.

Dress Code

As a Youth Ambassador, please remember that you are always representing JDRF in the community. The way you present yourself and the way you dress directly reflect on JDRF’s reputation and can influence potential and current donors, sponsors, and supporters’ views of JDRF. You are an extension of JDRF and you represent the organization.

We want everyone to dress sensibly for the volunteer duty, social, and activity to avoid injuries and exposure to the sun.

- 1. All clothing should be of appropriate length and fit (at minimum fingertip length for shorts, skirts, and dresses).
- 2. No undergarments should be exposed (underwear or bras)
- 3. No t-shirts or shirts with inappropriate, controversial, obscene, or suggestive sayings on them
- 4. No mid-drift tops

By signing below, I have read, understand, agree and will comply with the JDRF Youth Ambassador policies & procedures listed above.

Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Youth Ambassador Signature: _____

JDRF Staff Signature: _____



Emergency Information:

*Emergency Contact Name: _____

Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

*Person should be a contact that **is not** in attendance at YA events.

Allergies and Dietary Restrictions:

- Nut: _____
- Celiac / Gluten Free
- Dairy
- Other: _____

Does your child carry an EpiPen? Yes No

Yes, please sign me up to be a part of the YOUTH AMBASSADOR SPREAKERS' BUREAU.

I want to run for office, please nominate me for:

(Check if interested)

- President
- Historian
- Other positions to be determined

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date

By signing this form you are giving your child permission to participate in the Youth Ambassador Program for the 2018-2019 school year.

Please return your application by any of the following methods:

Email: lnether@jdrf.org

JDRF Fax: 702-732-1635

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