



## JDRF New England Chapter

### About the JDRF Youth Ambassador Program

The Youth Ambassador Program (YA) empowers children and young adults with type 1 diabetes (T1D) by giving them the opportunity to provide diabetes awareness to the public while helping JDRF and the New England Chapter by representing our organization and advancing our mission. Our Youth Ambassadors accept the responsibility to represent JDRF in public settings.

Our goal for YA program participants is to feel ownership and pride in their group and work. We hope your involvement in this program will be fulfilling and inspiring and will lead to a stronger program this year and into the future.

### Who is a Youth Ambassador?

Youth Ambassadors are children or teens (ages 4-18) living with T1D. Youth Ambassadors will share their story and experiences of living with T1D in an effort to increase awareness.

### What does a Youth Ambassador Do?

The responsibilities of Youth Ambassadors include providing awareness to our community while giving volunteer hours to JDRF. Below you will find a list of suggested involvement opportunities. In addition to these responsibilities, the JDRF Youth Ambassador Program provides members with several ways to socialize with other members to promote friendship, support of each other, and good times!

### Requirements of a Youth Ambassador:

- **Attend three (3) out of four (4) quarterly meetings**
- **Host your own fundraiser or join an existing JDRF event**
- **Volunteer at least four (4) hours every quarter**

#### **Attend and participate in outreach efforts and events including but not limited to:**

- JDRF One Walks (Create a Walk team or volunteer on Walk Day)
- JDRF TypeOneNation Summit Boston (Attend TypeOneNation as an attendee or participate in our Kid Zone or Teen Central areas)
- Visit corporate sponsors such as Advance Auto Parts, Floyd's 99 Barbershop, Marshalls, and Tommy Hilfiger to thank store managers and employees
- Attend local JDRF advocacy opportunities
- Represent JDRF at local events, third party activities, corporate gatherings, and legislative meetings
- Create thank you cards or craft items to send or deliver to sponsors



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## Examples of Monthly Activities

**February:** Ask your school if they would be interested in hosting a JDRF school fundraiser

**March:** Attend TypeOneNation Summit

**April:** Sign up to be a JDRF Advocate and recruit five other advocates

**May:** Write thank you cards for the One Night Gala attendees and corporate partners

**June:** Register for JDRF One Walk and share your team page on social media

**July:** Attend the JDRF One Walk Kickoff event/Write thank you cards for JDRF One Walk team captains

**August:** Visit local corporate sponsors and thank them for their support and commitment to JDRF

**September:** Attend the Boston, Central MA, or Rhode Island JDRF One Walk (Create a walk team, volunteer as a Walk route cheerleader, talk with newly diagnosed families and share your story of living life with T1D)

**October:** Write thank you cards for Ride to Cure or create posters for our Ride to Cure participants

**November:** Promote National Diabetes Awareness Month (NDAM) on social media or hold a fundraiser in your community surrounding NDAM and T1D

**We look forward to working with you, and we hope you're excited to start making a difference!**

**Questions? Contact Lauren Shields at 617-831-1128 or [lshields@jdrf.org](mailto:lshields@jdrf.org).**



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## JDRF YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAM APPLICATION

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Date Diagnosed \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies – Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently have a JDRF One Walk Team:

If yes, please tell us your team name \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size (please indicate your choice) Youth: S M L or Adult: S M L XL

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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## JDRF YOUTH AMBASSADOR PROGRAM APPLICATION QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

**1. Why would you like to become a Youth Ambassador?**

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**2. What are your personal goals as a JDRF Youth Ambassador?**

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**3. What is your best memory from a JDRF event (if applicable)?**

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## JDRF YOUTH AMBASSADOR WAIVER AND 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.

**By checking this box, I am granting permission to allow my child's contact information to be included on an official Youth Ambassador directory.**

**By checking this box, I am granting permission to allow my child to send and receive communication through the following Youth Ambassador Communication methods:**

- Email**
- Cell Phone**
- SMS Group Chat**
- Social Media**

**Signature of Parent or Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_



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## Code of Conduct

As a JDRF New England Chapter Youth Ambassador, you are valued and appreciated for your commitment to the organization. Your pledge as an Ambassador comes with many accountabilities. 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 respect, being punctual, a willingness to help and learn, a positive attitude and adherence to the volunteer conduct guidelines are expected and encouraged.

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

Parent Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Ambassador Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete application and return to Lauren Shields at [lshields@jdrf.org](mailto:lshields@jdrf.org) or by mail to JDRF, 60 Walnut Street, Wellesley Hills, MA 02481. Thank you!**