

# 2021 – 2022 JDRF Minnesota Youth Ambassador Program Description

The Youth Ambassador Program offers youth opportunities for personal growth and development of leadership skills, while creating awareness for JDRF and supporting fundraising efforts. Youth Ambassadors will be selected to represent JDRF in their local communities and help further JDRF's mission of creating a world without T1D. Child participation is a must – the ambassador role will be fulfilled by the <u>youth</u>, but they will need a supportive family and network to help them achieve their goals. Youth Ambassadors will serve a one year term, beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

## **Youth Ambassador Requirements:**

- Must have T1D (and be living with T1D for at least 6 months)
- Age 6 18 years
- Have a positive outlook on life and diabetes and have passion for the JDRF mission
- Be willing and comfortable sharing his/her personal story in front of small and large groups
- Complete volunteer service at JDRF and community outreach events throughout the one year term, a minimum of four events is required
- Participate in a chapter fundraising program or create their own fundraising event
- Be committed and present throughout the one year term
- Must attend Youth Ambassador training session

### **Youth Ambassador Activity Requirements:**

\*\*Minimum of 4 required

### **Required Participation**

- One Walk as a volunteer and/or as a fundraising Walk team
- Outreach Event Type One Nation Summit or Research Spotlight

**Additional Opportunities include:** Hope Gala; event kick-off and post-celebrations; speaking opportunities at corporate or school events; Advocacy meetings; tabling opportunities at JDRF or community events; cause marketing stewardship; media interviews

#### **Youth Ambassador Roles & Responsibilities at Chapter Events:**

- Public speaking share your personal story
- Welcome and greet event guests
- Staff JDRF information tables
- Help with event set-up
- Visit corporate supporters to say thank you
- Write thank you cards to donors
- Place thank you phone calls to donors
- Place phone calls to invite newly diagnosed families to chapter events
- Speak with local media reporters about JDRF and share your T1D story
- Assist with volunteer work at chapter office

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