We are excited to share the application for the JDRF Middle and East Tennessee 2020-2021 Youth Ambassador Program!

This program is made up of children with type 1 diabetes (T1D), between the ages of 6 and 18, who are interested in becoming involved with the educational and volunteer efforts of the JDRF Middle and East Tennessee Chapter.

Every year JDRF strives to integrate resources that make the Outreach Program stronger and more beneficial to the T1D community. Our goal is to empower our YAs by providing them with opportunities to advance our shared mission – a world without T1D. Opportunities range from participating in JDRF events, representing JDRF in the community, and YA activities where you will be surrounded by individuals with similar philanthropic principles and the desire to one day cure T1D and its complications.

We hope you will choose to participate in the JDRF YA Program this year. We need your voice, your participation, and your leadership. Enclosed you will find an overview of and a JDRF YA Program application form. Please return your completed forms no later than Friday, August 14th, 2020. After we receive your application, we will schedule a phone interview.

Please submit the completed application and a photo of yourself to: E-mail: rmayo@jdrf.org or Mail: 105 Westpark Drive, Suite 415, Brentwood, TN 37027

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

Rachel Mayo
Outreach Coordinator
2020-2021 REQUIREMENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

Individuals who wish to become a Youth Ambassador must meet the following requirements:

**Core Requirements**

- Have type 1 diabetes
- Have a positive outlook on life and diabetes!
- Be between the ages of 6 and 18 years of age
- Commit to participating in the program for the 2020-2021 school year
- Obtain parental permission in writing to be a part of the YA Program
- Submission of a completed YA Application by August 14, 2020
- Arrange for transportation to and from JDRF responsibilities and social activities
- Track and report your attendance at events, volunteer hours and fundraising efforts

**JDRF Events**

Youth Ambassadors must participate as an attendee or volunteer at least two of the following events during the program year:

- JDRF One Walk - Fall 2020
- Walk kick-off event
- Youth Ambassador-led zoom chat for kids with T1D - several dates
- Promise Gala (Middle TN) or Dream Gala (East TN) - Spring 2021
- A Youth Ambassador led community event
- Other JDRF activity (DIY fundraiser, educational programming, etc.)

**Youth Ambassador Quarterly Meetings**

Youth Ambassadors must also attend at least 3 of 4 quarterly YA meetings.

**Volunteer Hours**

Youth Ambassadors must perform five hours of volunteer work during the program year. Volunteer hours can be at JDRF events, representing JDRF at community events, speaking at corporate sponsors (i.e. Marshalls, Walgreens, etc.) or other projects and assignments.

**Fundraising Efforts**

Youth Ambassadors must participate in a fundraising effort, including but not limited to:

- Have your own Family Walk Team or join a Walk team
- Recruit your school for the School Program
- Procure a YA inspired auction item or package for the JDRF Gala
- Host a fundraiser in your local community or a JDRF Your Way campaign
Youth Ambassador's Name: _____________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ________________________________________________________________________________________

City: __________________ Zip Code: ______________ County: ____________________________

Date of Birth: ___________ Date of Diagnosis: ___________ Age at Diagnosis: ___________

School: __________________________________________________________ Grade: ________________

YA Cell # (if applicable): ________________ YA Email: ____________________________

Mother’s Name: _________________________ Mother’s Cell #: _______________________

Father’s Name: _________________________ Father’s Cell #: ________________________

Parent Email: _________________________________________________________________

Do you wear an insulin pump (if so, what kind)? ______________________________________

Do you wear a CGM (if so what kind)? _____________________________________________

Who is your endocrinologist? ____________________________________________________

Do you have any food allergies (if so, what type)? ____________________________________
1. Introduce yourself to us! We would like to know what you do for fun, what your hobbies are and what you are passionate about.

2. How has T1D impacted your life and how do you maintain a positive attitude about it?
3. What is one experience or opportunity you would like to have as a Youth Ambassador (examples might be to make more friends who have T1D, to speak on behalf of JDRF at an event or to lead a community meet-up group).

4. If you found out there was a newly diagnosed student in your school, what would you say to him or her?

5. Have you fundraised for JDRF before? If so, in what ways?
CODE OF CONDUCT
As a JDRF Middle and East Tennessee YA, you are valued and appreciated for your commitment to the organization. By accepting the title of a JDRF YA you understand that your behavior directly reflects upon JDRF’s reputation. Treating each other with respect, being punctual, a willingness to help and learn, a positive attitude and adherence to the volunteer conduct guidelines are all behaviors that are expected and encouraged.

For this reason JDRF has listed the following expectations:
1. Be courteous and respect the opinions of your peers, JDRF staff, donors and guests.
2. Absolutely NO verbal abuse of any kind will be tolerated.
3. Respect other’s personal space.
4. Personal listening devices are permitted on an event-by-event basis. The music must be appropriate for the group. Music listed as “parental advisory” or that have explicit content are not permitted.
5. Cell phones are allowed for CGM use and emergency communication with parents/guardians.
6. Any damage incurred to property or possessions not belonging to you will be paid for by the individual or individuals who cause the damage.
7. YAs must stay in groups of two or more at all times and must notify a YA Leader of your whereabouts. No one is permitted to go anywhere without a YA Lead’s approval.
8. Punctuality is a high priority. Arrive 10-15 minutes prior to your scheduled time for all JDRF-related activities, events, meetings you are scheduled to appear.
9. Be present at all socials and volunteer opportunities you commit to attend.
10. Dress Code: we want everyone to dress sensibly and appropriately for YA activities. If there are specific dress code requirements for events, it will be communicated ahead of time.

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

Parent Printed Name: ____________________________________ Date: ________________
Parent Signature: __________________________________________________________________

Youth Ambassador Signature: __________________________________________________________________

Outreach Coordinator Signature: __________________________________________________________________

Youth Ambassador Received Copy: __________________________ Date: ________________
I, __________________________________________ (please print) as the parent or guardian of ___________________________________ who is not of legal age, do hereby consent and authorize 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 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.

Signature of parent or guardian__________________________________________________
Address ____________________________________________________________________
Phone _______________________________  Date _________________________________

PARENTAL COMMITMENT

By signing this form, you are giving your child permission to participate in the JDRF Youth Ambassador Program for the 2020-2021 school year. You may be called upon to help support or take a lead role in the activities your Youth Ambassador would like to participate in. Parental support is fundamental in ensuring the success of the Youth Ambassador program.

Parent Signature Date________________________________________________________

The following items are needed for your application to be considered complete and must be submitted by August 14, 2020:

- Youth Ambassador Application
- Code of Conduct
- Video/Photograph Release Form
- Parental Commitment
- Photo of Youth Ambassador