



The Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program provides high school age youth an opportunity to gain advanced knowledge and develop leadership skills related to the science, technology, engineering, and management of water in Texas.

About the Program

Through an application process, each spring up to 30 high school youth are selected each year to participate in a summer 4-H2O Leadership Academy and commit service hours annually in a variety of ways.

Texas 4-H2O Leadership Academy

The Leadership Academy is a multi-day tour of Texas exposing youth to a wide diversity of water resources, water uses, sensitive ecosystems, water quality concerns, as well as the applied research and technologies employed to conserve this valued resource.

Ambassadors gain insight into water law, policy, planning, and management as they interact with representatives from state water agencies, educators, policy-makers, and water resource managers. Water Ambassadors also build an appreciation for the complexity of managing Texas surface and groundwater resources, its importance to local, regional, and state economies, and the responsibility we all have to protect this valuable resource for future generations.



Leadership, Mentorship, & Community Service

Water Ambassadors commit a minimum **40 hours of service** over a 12-month period following the Academy. Service hours may include delivering water education at local 4-H clubs, schools, fairs, and community events. Ambassadors also earn credit by assisting local water utilities, water conservation districts and Extension agents as they conduct water outreach activities and demonstration projects. Additional service credit is awarded to Ambassadors who participate in periodic on-line continuing education opportunities and assignments administered by the 4-H2O Program Coordinator.



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