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TEEN AMBASSADORS APPLY NOW

APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 10, 2025





Teen Ambassador Program – Summer 2026

Program Overview

The Teen Ambassador Program (June 2-August 8) engages local high school students across Jacksonville in service, leadership development, and hunger awareness. Participants support FNEFL's mission through volunteering, community-based projects, and fundraising. Students must be at least 15 years old and are selected based on service interest and commitment to the program. Ambassadors who complete the program will be awarded a certificate of completion. A special merit-based scholarship of \$2,000 will be awarded to a Teen Ambassador based on the total performance and achievement of the program.

Program Objectives

Community Impact

Support FNEFL's mission through fundraising, raising awareness, and hands-on volunteering.

Leadership Development

Enhance communication, teamwork, and initiative by engaging in public-facing events and personal projects.

Professional Development

Strengthen essential workplace skills that are transferable to any environment.

Civic Engagement

Deepen understanding of hunger disparities and nonprofit work in Jacksonville.

Key Dates:

- Applications Open: March 30, 2026
- Virtual Info session #1 (*optional*): April 8, 2026. 5:30pm
- Virtual Info session #2 (*optional*): April 29, 2026. 5:30pm
- Application Deadline: May 10th.
- Mandatory Orientation Week: June 2nd, 3rd, 4th
- Program end: August 8, 2026



Ambassador Requirements

REQUIREMENT	DETAILS
ORIENTATION	Attend 3-day mandatory orientation week run by FNEFL Staff (introduction to the program, leadership development, fundraising workshop, etc.) June 2 nd -4 th from 9am-5pm
PROGRAM HOURS	Complete 50 program hours through FNEFL-organized shifts (between warehouse and community volunteer shifts, special projects, shadowing, event help, learning sessions, or tabling)
TABLING EVENT	Coordinate 1 tabling event for two hours minimum (e.g., Art Walk, farmers market, etc.)
INDEPENDENT FUNDRAISER	Raise a minimum of \$400 through a personally driven fundraising project
MID PROGRAM SURVEY	This is a mandatory check-in survey to be completed by July 10 th
PROGRAM PRESENTATION	Give a short professional presentation about the work completed in the program and areas of personal development to determine eligibility for the merit-scholarship. Presentation dates: August 3 rd & 4 th

Virtual Information Sessions

For more details, we invite you to attend either of our virtual information sessions.

- Wednesday, April 8th 5:30-6:16pm: [Register here](#)
- Wednesday, April 29th 5:30-6:16pm: [Register here](#)

If you cannot attend either of the information sessions, questions about the program can be directed to the Community Engagement Manager, Hayden Prince, hprince@feedingnefl.org.



Application Information

The following questions and elements are part of the application, which must be submitted online by May 10th 11:59pm. [Apply here.](#)

General Information

- Applicant Name
- School
- Grade level
- Applicant's preferred email
- Applicant's phone
- Parent/ Name
- Parent's preferred Email
- Parent Phone
- What is your access to transportation?
 - I drive myself and have regular access to a car
 - I am not permitted to drive or have limited access to a vehicle.

Short Answer Questions

Answer the questions to the best of your abilities in a short essay form. There is no character or length requirement.

1. What drives your passion to fight food insecurity and hunger in your community? How do your personal values—such as empathy, fairness, or responsibility—shape that motivation and influence the actions you take (or plan to take)?
2. Describe a time when you took initiative on a project or in a group setting. What challenges did you face, and how did you overcome them?
3. At the end of the program, you'll present your impact to parents and community leaders. What do you hope to say you accomplished—both for the community and for yourself?

Letter of Recommendation

Upload a letter of recommendation from a non-relative adult (teacher, coach, guidance counselor, supervisor, etc.) that can speak to your character, strengths, or work ethic and why you'd be a good fit for this program. If you have issues with uploading, you can send a copy directly to hprince@feedingnefl.org.