



Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce
Youth Ambassador
Community Involvement Program

Dear Applicant:

The Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce is looking for outstanding junior and senior high school students to represent the city and the chamber. Before returning your application, please read the following information carefully.

If you are selected, you will be responsible for the following:

You are expected to assist as official ambassadors for chamber functions and events. You will be required to attend a certain number of events and meetings throughout 2021 and 2022. You will have the opportunity to receive service hours, as chamber staff deems appropriate, for your service to our community.

The Chamber is looking for students who are willing to promote Ozark and the Chamber of Commerce. We are also taking this opportunity to provide our county's younger citizens with knowledge of local government, education about our county's heritage, and understanding proper business tactics. We need responsible applicants who have the time and will be supportive and valuable members of this organization.

Your application will be reviewed by a selection board. We appreciate your interest in being involved with our county, city, and the chamber of commerce.

The student's application is to be returned to the chamber of commerce office by August 24 by 4:00 p.m., NO EXCEPTIONS. All applicants will be notified by email for the selection boards' decision.

Sincerely,

Rosmarie Williamson
Director
director@ozarkalchamber.com



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What Does the Chamber of Commerce Do?

The Chamber is a business organization made up of corporations, small businesses, individuals, and non-profit organizations. The Chamber works to promote the business community, support the city, to improve the quality of life for the people of Ozark and surrounding communities, to welcome visitors, and so much more!

Meetings Schedule and Dress Code:

Schedule will be provided by email by.

You must have a valid excuse if you cannot attend meetings. Excuses must be emailed or texted in advance of the meeting. Examples of a valid excuse: sports team practice, cheer practice, band practice, other school function, sickness. Appointments should not be made on the dates of Chamber events or Youth Ambassador meetings.

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- A Youth Ambassador shirt will be provided to you. Wear this shirt with khaki or black pants to all meetings and events. Some of our events are more casual and shorts with your Ambassador shirt will be allowed. You will be given prior notification.
- An identification badge will be provided to you. You must wear your badge to all meetings and events.

Scholarship Opportunity:

- A \$1,000 one-time scholarship will be awarded to one participant
- Must have a verifiable 2.5 grade average
- Scholarship recipient will be randomly chosen from the participants that have met all of the requirements
- Payment will be made directly to the institute and must be claimed by October 2023.



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- ⇒ **Are you a High School Junior or Senior?**
- ⇒ **Are you heading to Vocational or Technical School? Community College or a 4-year University?**
- ⇒ **Are you interested in serving your community?**

If so, then you may be eligible for our Community Involvement Program

- One participant will be awarded a one-time \$1,000 scholarship
- Application of participation must be submitted by August 25, 2021
- Ten (10) students will be chosen to participate in this program
- You must be a High School Junior or Senior
- You must attend Carroll High School, G.W. Long High School, Ariton High School, or a private school or be home schooled in Dale County
- Must have a verifiable 2.5 grade average
- **Participation requires a commitment of 10 Chamber events which must be served during required time period.** Events may include but are not limited to: attending chamber meetings and /or events, assisting in the chamber office, member visits, hands on assistance at participating businesses.
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**Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce
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Please type or print your answers. If application is illegible it will not be considered.

First Name:

Last Name:

Mailing Address:

Daytime Telephone Number: ()

Alternate # ()

Date of Birth:

High School Presently Attending:

Grade Point Average: GPA:

(On a 2.5 scale)

(Form will be provided for Guidance Councilor to verify)

Anticipated Graduation Date:

I will be attending the following school in the Fall of:

School Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip

Financial Contact Name:

Proof of acceptance or current student enrollment from the above school is required prior to funds being released to school.

What specialty/major do you plan to pursue?

Name of Parents/Guardian:

Address of Parents/Guardian:

Daytime Phone Number of Parents/Guardian:

Participation is on a voluntary basis. Participant must provide their own transportation to and from activities and events.

I hereby agree that the Ozark Area Chamber of Commerce shall not be responsible for any loss or injury as a result of my participation in the Community Involvement Program. I further agree to hold the Chamber of Commerce harmless from any liability as a result of my actions while participating in the Community Involvement Program.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date