

Dear Student:

The City of Florence invites you to participate in our youth leadership program, the Florence Student Ambassador Program. Student residents will be selected annually to represent the City and the youth of our community at City sponsored events. The program provides Ambassadors with opportunities to enhance their profiles as youth leaders involved in community activities, public speaking, interaction with local organizations, development of customer service skills and exposure to government operations.

Two Senior Ambassadors (one male and one female) will each receive a \$500.00 scholarship and all Ambassadors will receive City logo shirts (long and short sleeve) to wear representing the City at various events.

#### Application Process

Submit your completed application by **Friday, April 8, 2022**, and be sure to include a letter of recommendation from an adult in a position of authority, but not your parents. All applicants will be notified on their eligibility and will then enter the Competition Phase of the Program.

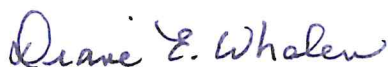
Eligible participants will be provided with an essay topic and will submit a **500** word essay by **Friday, April 29, 2022**. Essays will be scored by Judges using the following criteria: Justification for the position expressed - 40%, Response to the essay topic – 15%, Spelling - 15%, Grammar - 15% and Neatness - 15%.

The final competition, tentatively scheduled during the week of **May 9, 2022** will consist of interviews with the Judges about the student's activities, interests and essays submitted based on the following criteria: Communication/Public Speaking Skill - 40%, Appearance - 15%, Personality - 15%, Extra-curricular Activities - 15% and Volunteer Experience - 15%.

Student Ambassadors must agree to be available to attend and participate in most community events throughout the year, including evenings, weekends and holidays from July to June and include the Memorial Day Parade & Program, Neighborhood Night Outs, Independence Day Celebration, Halloween Night Out, Veterans Day, Christmas Tree Lighting, Easter Events, Arbor Day Program, and attend a Florence City Council meeting.

Florence Students are invited to join the Florence Student Ambassador Program for a rewarding opportunity to gain skills and serve your City!

Sincerely,



Diane E. Whalen, Mayor

**CITY OF FLORENCE  
STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in 2022-23 School Year \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
*P.O. Boxes not accepted*

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardians Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**2 Letters of Recommendation (no family members - from an adult in a position of authority i.e. teacher, religious leader, supervisor, scout leader, etc. must accompany the application) are **provided by:****

**Division in which you will compete:**

_____ Senior Ambassadors - Male and Female selected from grades 10-12	2022-23 School Year
_____ Junior Ambassador - Male and Female selected from grades 8 & 9	2022-23 School Year
_____ Youth Ambassador - Male and Female selected from grades 6 & 7	2022-23 School Year

**Volunteer/Community Service Experience (past & current)** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Extra-curricular Activities** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**References – Provide two (2) names of a person you know (no family members)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Business \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years Known \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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| <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Must be City of Florence resident</b></li><li>• <b>Must be in grades 6-12 <u>during</u> their Ambassador term</b></li></ul> |
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**For questions contact Melissa Kramer, City Clerk at (859) 647-8177. Applications must be received by Friday, April 8, 2022, by 5 pm. and can be delivered or mailed to: City of Florence, Administration Department, Attn: Melissa Kramer, 8100 Ewing Boulevard, Florence, KY 41042.**