National Grange Horizon Leadership Program Application

DEADLINE: August 15 State _____Subordinate Grange & No._____ Mailing address_____ City, State, Zip Code______Phone number_____ E-mail address_____ Female Youth Ambassador: (Circle) Male Young Adults: (Circle) Male Female Couple Age as of Jan. 1: ______ Parents Names (Youth Ambassadors only) **Biographical Information:** Description (5-8 lines) about yourself and/or family to be used for display purposes through the National Session. Enclose or send three 4"x6" color photos including one picture of the family. The pictures and bio will be scanned and be included on a video that will play throughout various functions throughout National Session. Date of joining Grange_____ Total average meeting attendance in past year_____ Number of regular Subordinate Grange meetings held in the last year ______ Number of regular Subordinate Grange meetings you attended this last year Highest Degree held in the Grange? Current Office or Committees serving on? What activities/events did your state require you to participate in as an ambassador/young couple/young adult?

- Official Application form must be completed and postmarked by August 15th. Send to the National Grange Youth Development Director.
- o The following letters of recommendation are to be sent with the application:
 - Person from outside the Grange (teacher/professor, Organization/Club Leader, etc.)
 - Subordinate Grange, preferably President or Secretary
 - State President or State Youth Director

NOTE: Letters of Recommendation should be from the year of application.

- NEW Ambassadors/Young Patrons/Young Couples must present a 30 minute workshop at National Convention
- NEW Ambassadors/Young Patrons/Young Couples must submit the following along with their application:
 - An example of a social media post that would be used to promote membership
 - A short essay (350- 500 words) about why they want to be considered for the National Grange Youth Leadership Team
- Horizon Leadership youth ambassadors will be housed together at the National Grange Convention with up to three other official participants per room.
- Young Adults will be housed in the same area with up to three other official participants per room. Young couples will be housed one per room.
- Horizon Leadership Ambassadors/ Outstanding Young Patrons will be recognized at the National Convention.
- Ambassadors/ Young Patrons or their individual states are responsible for their <u>own</u>
 <u>transportation, meals and lodging.</u> Youth housing is available at National Convention for
 anyone who wishes.***
- o Ambassadors are required to attend the Youth Tour and Celebration Banquet.
- o The National Grange GROW Club will provide tickets for the GROW Club Reception.
- o Youth Ambassadors/ Young Patrons are <u>required</u> to bring a ½ inch wide binder with photos and highlights from their year as Ambassador or Young Patron to National Session. The binders will be placed on display in the idea fair and reviewed by the judges. The binder needs to show how they have exemplified what it means to be a G.R.A.N.G.E. Youth. (See the Six Pillars for more details)
- Young Couples will be viewed as one entity. They will apply together, but they will be interviewed separately and together at National Session when being considered for the National Grange Youth Leadership Team.

^{****} Youth housing at the National convention will be available for any who wish to participate. If funds are available in the Grange Foundation Youth Leadership Fund, a small stipend to provide financial assistance will be given for lodging and meals after National Grange Convention based on participation.