

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY FARM BUREAU – AMBASSADOR 2026

The purpose of the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau (AACFB) Ambassador contest is to identify young women and men with agricultural backgrounds to serve as leaders to promote agriculture and the Farm Bureau throughout the year and in the future.

The winner of the AACFB Ambassador contest will represent Anne Arundel County in the Maryland Farm Bureau Ambassador contest at the Maryland Farm Bureau Convention in December. The winner will be awarded \$1,500 scholarship from the AACFB provided you have participated in at least 3 of the following event:

Application Requirements:

1. The contest is open to young women and men between the ages of 17 and 21 before September 19th.
2. The contestant's parents or guardians must be a full member of the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau, "In good standing". Each contestant under the age of 18 must have written consent from a parent or guardian to enter the contest.
3. The winning contestant must be able to attend the Maryland Farm Bureau Ambassador contest and at least 3 other events throughout the year supported by Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau:
 - a. Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau picnic – TBD
 - b. Attend special events during the Anne Arundel County Fair September TBD to help award ribbons to 4H and FFA exhibitors
 - c. Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau Ag Day – TBD
 - d. Attend the Maryland Farm Bureau's Day in Annapolis in February
 - e. Attend the Taste of Maryland Ag event in February
 - f. Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau banquet in November
 - g. Represent Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau in the Maryland Farm Bureau Ambassador contest in December on 5th and 6th and events leading up to this.

Personal information and Membership Verification

Please provide a photocopy of your Driver's License or school ID (age verification) and complete the following:

Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Birthdate: _____

Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau Membership Number: _____
(must be a full membership; student membership doesn't qualify)

Parents Names: _____

Parent email address: _____

Phone: _____

Resume

Your resume is a written compilation of your education, work experience, credentials, and agricultural accomplishments. References are not requested, use Times New Roman font 12pt. and not to exceed 1 page in length. (Separate page)

Five Facts about You

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

County Agricultural Knowledge

List five agricultural facts about your county –

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau Information

Name of the County President - _____

Name and contact information of the County Farm Bureau Secretary -

2026 ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY FARM BUREAU AMBASSADOR CONTESTANT AGREEMENT

Please note that this is a program to promote and encourage young leaders and we expect these individuals to maintain the highest standards in their presentation and participation at events. Candidates should wear business attire and be prepared for an interview based on their application and resume. The candidate who is selected as Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau Ambassador is expected to participate in activities at the local and state level. The winning contestant must be able to attend the Maryland Farm Bureau Ambassador contest and at least 3 other events throughout the year supported by Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau:

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The Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau Ambassador also agrees to participate in the Maryland Farm Bureau Ambassador contest which takes place during the Maryland Farm Bureau Convention in December. I hereby certify that if selected as the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau 2026 Ambassador, I will fully participate as expected.

Signature of Contestant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____
(Required for contestants under 18 years of age)

By submitting this entry form, I waive any right to notice, inspection, or approval of any uses of the photographs which the AACFB may make or authorize, and I release the AACFB, and its licensees and assigns, from any claim or liability arising from or in connection with AACFB use of the photographs or any alteration, processing, or use thereof in composite form, whether intentional or otherwise.

20256 Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau Ambassador Contest

Application is due by May 15th – please submit application electronically to Kimberleychance@comcast.net or by mail to Kimberley Chance, 306 Bridle Path Lane, Annapolis, MD 21403

Competition will be held at the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau picnic on June 1st.

Scoring of the 2026 Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau Ambassador Contest

During the competition, contestants will be evaluated by a panel of three judges. Points will be scored during each activity and totaled at the end of the competition.

Areas of competition and scoring include:

Application – 5 points

Resume – to include education, work experience, credentials, and agricultural accomplishments. References are not requested. Use of Times New Roman font, 12pt. and not to exceed 1 page in length. Neatness and spelling count. – 25 points

Interview – Each contestant is interviewed separately by a panel of three judges. Contestants can earn points as follows: 40 points.

- 15 points for agriculture knowledge
- 10 points for farm and agriculture responsibilities
- 10 points for first impression
- 5 points for personal presentation, personality, and friendliness

Public Speaking - 30 points

Speech – Contestants will introduce themselves in front of Judges and the Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau board. Each contestant will present a 90-second speech (timed) about themselves and how agriculture impacts their life.

Judges and Anne Arundel County Farm Bureau board follow up questions – will have the opportunity to ask a follow up question(s) from information provided on the resume or application or mentioned in your speech.

Information regarding Maryland Farm Bureau's Competition Structure & Flow

- Once applications close, County Ambassadors will receive an email invitation to mandatory Orientation on TBD at the Davidsonville office.
 - The purpose of the orientation is to give ambassadors an overview of contest expectations/prep, registration, Farm Bureau's history & purpose, and networking with other county ambassadors across the state.
- The interview and Discussion Meet portion of the contest will be held at the 111th Annual MDFB Convention during the NextGen Summit on Saturday, TBD.

- Interviews will be conducted on Saturday morning starting at 9 AM, running every 20 minutes until all ambassadors have been interviewed.
 - Interview times will be given out at least two weeks prior to the contest based on the ambassador's travel distance and other accommodations.
- After interviews, ambassadors will have time to attend NextGen Summit events and/or prepare for their Discussion Meet panel.
 - Ambassadors will compete on a four-six-person panel. Panel's will be posted the day of the contest.
 - The Discussion Meet question will be given to ambassadors at orientation to prepare ahead of time.
- After the contest concludes, judges will meet and tally all the scores for the ambassadors. Winners will be announced on Sunday, TBD. In the afternoon, there will be a "breakout session" for ALL ambassadors and county coordinators to discuss what's next for the state and county ambassadors.