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PROGRAM GUIDE

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Dear Junior Grange Members, State Directors, and Leaders:

Greetings Junior Grange Enthusiast!

We have successfully made it another trip around the sun! It has been a great year in the Junior Grange, and I am excited to kick off another fantastic year in 2022.

One of the things I have seen over the last year is a great willingness to learn and make change. Junior Grangers from across the country have raised their voices to say we need to start investing in the future of our organization. No, I am not talking about a financial investment, although that is always a plus, but talking about real change happening in our Grange Halls. Opening the doors and taking a new view on how we present ourselves to new families coming in. After a year (now two) of being quarantined or segregated from the rest of the world we have really seen a reset in what families are looking for. While many are still busy bouncing kids from one activity to the next, we have realized that families have readjusted themselves and reevaluated the importance of that family time, and fortunately that is a thing the Grange has going for them. We, as an all-inclusive family organization, offer something completely different than any other, we offer the opportunity for families of all shapes, size, race, age, gender and ability to join us. Each one of us together have created a Grange family, a community that leans on each other when in need and holds each other up as we celebrate great accomplishments. A community that works together to make real change.

This year as we focus on the theme RAISED RIGHT HERE, I can only think about how that truly affects us here beginning with the Junior Grange. When I was 5 years old and was finally old enough to join the Junior Grange I couldn't help but look up to the other members who stood near me when I took the Junior Degree and I strongly remember the words of the Chaplain as they said "Youth is the springtime of life; and habits formed in youth, like seed sown in the spring, will bear fruit, for good or ill, through all the years of life." To me this was the foundation that was laid for the rest of my Grange journey. Our young members, starting with our Junior Grangers, are the youth in springtime, ready for planting, ready for us to raise them right here, in the Grange. I am excited to be a part of that journey with you and your Juniors and I encourage you to look deeper into the National Junior Program, see how you can include it as part of your own in your Grange Hall. Open your doors to new families, encourage the sounds of children's laughter or the pitter patter of their feet to flow throughout your Grange Halls. Begin investing the time to secure our future, for without those children, the willingness to seat new families, and a foundation being laid our next generation, will the children of the future be able to tell the story of how the Grange helped in Raising them Right Here.

Fraternally yours,

Samantha Wilkins
National Junior Grange Development Director



National Grange Youth and Junior Departments
1616 H Street NW
Washington, DC 20006



Dear Grange Members

The National Junior Grange and National Youth Departments need your support so that we can continue to stay strong for the generations to come. For those of us who started our Grange journey wearing red tennis shoes, or for those of us who started being delighted to serve in our youth, it is undeniable what the Junior and Youth programs can do to build future leaders from Subordinate/Community Granges all the way to State and National Granges. Both the Junior and Youth Departments build skills in public speaking, Parliamentary Procedure, leadership, project planning, and the promotion of new cultures and languages (such as American Sign Language). Participation in Grange at the Junior and Youth levels gives opportunities that build characters and whose effects are felt for a lifetime.

Today our programs are stronger than ever and our participation is growing at rapid rates. With our young members stretching from coast to coast and border to border it is important that we can continue support on the National level by creating programs and incentives that encourage our youngest members to continue their excitement for this organization we love so dearly. The Junior and Youth Foundation Funds, the funds that support all of our programming, are currently not sufficient to cover the programming that we have planned for the upcoming year. These programs are set in place to help our young members become the pillars of our organization-- to guide them to become the leaders and continue our organization into the future. You can make a difference in the lives of our young members just as someone did for you. WE cannot forget that we were blessed with the gift of the Youth and Junior programs because of the support and sacrifices of those who came before us. To honor them, we must continue that support today. Support can come in many forms. You can have a "throwback" moment and put on your pair of red tennis shoes visibly marking your support by stepping forward to lead a Junior Grange or mentor a 1+ Junior member. You can also tell a Youth/Young Adult member that "I'd be delighted" to assist them in a project that they want to bring to your Grange.

For the future of our nation and for our organization, please consider supporting the Youth and Junior Departments in a way most comfortable to you. Engage with us to learn how you can lead the next generation through their Junior and Youth years in a meaningful way; sponsor specific opportunities for Juniors and Youth; become a mentor; purchase a subscription to Good Day! to introduce the Junior and Youth programs to others; or donate to our funds in the Grange Foundation, a nonprofit charitable organization that may allow you to reap tax benefits for your philanthropy. There are many ways you can help now to secure a better tomorrow, all of which are important, greatly appreciated, and will leave a lasting impression on the next generation.

Fraternally,

Mandy Bostwick

National Youth Development Director

Samantha Wilkins

National Junior Grange Director

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Submit applications/entries to National Junior Grange Director Samantha Wilkins- 1616 H ST NW WASHINGTON DC 20006

NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE AMBASSADOR

2020-2021 NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE AMBASSADOR TEAM



BRYCE DANKO

Hello, my name is Bryce Danko, and I am the 2020-2021 National Junior Grange Ambassador. I live in Pennsylvania where I enjoy firefighting, hiking, hunting, and fishing. I am currently in 11th grade at Greenwood High School. The National Ambassador role has allowed me the opportunity to expand my public speaking and communication skills through various types of workshops, conferences, and fairs.

One of my favorite events that I attended was the Washington DC Experience. At this, I was able to meet with legislators from my state and talk with them about some important issues in Pennsylvania. Some of these issues were portion sizes in

school lunches, volunteer firefighting, and of course, broadband inconsistencies. Overall, the legislators seemed to enjoy our discussion and interactions while being interested in my knowledge and views.

From the DC Experience, I began to enhance my confidence and ability to speak with others for future public events. Another event I went to was the First Primary up in New Hampshire. At this, I learned a lot about New Hampshire's legislature, and how a primary election works. I was permitted the opportunity to attend a few of the campaigns for candidates that were running for President. Even though these were the only two events that happened before COVID, I still thoroughly enjoyed them.

My favorite event in 2021 was the Southeast Regional Leadership Conference in Virginia. I also got to attend the Great Plains Regional Leadership Conference in Oklahoma, and Western Leadership Conference in Idaho. Each of these conferences brought something different to the table, I enjoyed meeting a lot of new people, hiking, which is one of my favorite things to do, and just hanging out while enjoying a weekend of Grange fellowship made this a great experience.

I also got to travel to South Dakota for the 2nd Grange Revival. Reuniting with my friends, all while making new ones, and sightseeing for seven days made for an unforgettable journey. It was a great experience, and it truly gave me a different outlook on the scenery in the West compared to central Pennsylvania. Both breathtaking and beautiful, being able to personally see wildlife such as buffaloes, pronghorn, and bighorn sheep will always be ingrained in my mind. A highlight of this trip was learning about the mid-western wildfires that were occurring during our visit to Idaho.

At all three conferences I attended, I had to present a workshop. I based my workshop off the Ag Awareness project: ecosystems. I developed a slideshow detailing all the types of ecosystems and the parts of them, then gave the audience the opportunity to make their own ecosystems with different types of food including pudding, Oreos, sprinkles, coconut, and gummy worms. Overall, I received positive feedback from my audiences, but I also received some tips that helped me to improve and expand my presentation throughout the summer.

Overall, these past two years have been extremely fun and rewarding. I have interacted and met numerous new people all while improving some important skills that I will carry with me all my life, such as public speaking, communication, and teamwork.

I am beyond grateful that I was given the honor to travel the country, represent this great organization and help bring awareness to issues within Agriculture. From the very bottom of my heart, I would like to thank everyone that made my National Grange reign possible and full of memories that will stay with me for a lifetime.

2020-2021 NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE AMBASSADOR TEAM



BRIANNA GERVAIS

My Grange journey these past two years has been amazing! When I was selected as the National Junior Grange Ambassador, I was shocked! It was a privilege to be able to travel to 5 states, including Washington D.C. and meet so many wonderful Grangers of all ages from all over the United States.

COVID-19 gave me the opportunity to serve an extra year as an ambassador. While this made travel difficult at first, I was able to participate in some events virtually; and eventually was able to do some traveling.

I was thrilled to have my first ever airplane ride when Mom and I attended National Grange in Minneapolis, Minnesota! Since then, Mom and I have flown to three other states, and we will fly to Wichita, Kansas for the National Grange Convention.

My family and I travelled to Washington, D.C. We spent time as a family exploring, as well as having Grange adventures and learning about our government. We were able to spend time in the National Grange Headquarters, meet some key National Grange leaders (including our National President, Sister Betsy Huber), and learn how to speak to those representing us in office. In addition, we visited Capitol Hill and met with our State Representative, as well as team members of other Connecticut Representatives/Senator, toured the Capitol Building, several Monuments, Arlington National Cemetery, and several of the museums. It was an amazing time that I will always remember.

I appreciate the generosity and help given to me from Mrs. Samantha Wilkins, in her capacity as National Grange Junior Director. I must also mention Mrs. Amanda Brozana Rios, who helped me with her technological expertise when she was Communications Director. I also had a great support group here in Connecticut! Several members of the State Grange helped me prepare for both my speech and for my ambassador interview. My local Subordinate and Junior Granges were super supportive too! I did not want to let these nice people down. My family has been very supportive as well. I am very lucky. I hope that I have made those from my home state proud of me. I am also thankful to the National Grange and Grange Foundation which has helped to finance a good part of my journey.

I have met so many inspirational Grange leaders from numerous states; and have made new friends from many different states. It has been a fun journey!

I encourage other Junior Grangers to pursue their own Grange journey. There are a number of contest and other opportunities for Juniors! Especially consider applying to become a National Junior Grange Ambassador, where you can travel around our wonderful country, meet new Grange friends, improve on skills that will last a lifetime, and not to mention make some incredible memories of your own!!



SAFE
GATHERINGS

BACKGROUND CHECKS

The National Grange and National Junior Grange and Youth Departments encourage you to follow the National Grange Child Protection Policy and obtain a background check through the company “Safe Gatherings” www.safegatherings.com as an alternative for having to obtain and find your own background check company. It is highly encouraged to have every person in our organization that is working in a supervisory position with our Juniors and Youth under 18 years of age to undergo this background check through Safe Gatherings as it is a National Background Check program that covers many levels of security checks as well as providing a training on working with vulnerable youth and adults.

The benefits of utilizing Safe Gatherings for the Grange is:

- **A No Hassle system:** State Masters, Directors, and Leaders now have the pressure taken off them to make sure these critical steps are taken appropriately in accordance of their state laws.
- **Everything is handled from the National Grange office and your information is kept 100% safe and secure through the Safe Gatherings Network.** (No personal information is held with the National Grange)
- **Safe Gatherings provides 4 levels of background checks:** Local, State, National, and Sex Offender.
- **Safe Gatherings provides Professional Reference Checks**
- **Safe Gatherings provides training for abuse prevention and ideas on how to appropriately work with minors who are at their most vulnerable time in life.**
- **LOW COST-** the break down cost for the 2-year clearance through Safe Gatherings is less than \$2.00 a month.



BEGIN YOUR BACKGROUND CHECK TODAY:

www.safegatherings.com

Search “Grange” to register under our organization

Our vision is for a world in which all children, youth, and vulnerable adults are protected and feel safe.

Unfortunately, that’s not the world we live in, which is why Safe Gatherings has created a comprehensive system

that screens and educates staff and volunteers – to help prevent abuse and make the world a safer place for those among us who are most vulnerable.

For more information: Please contact National Junior Grange Director Samantha Wilkins at 210.838.7892 or junior@nationalgrange.org

National Grange Child Protection Policy

The National Grange is committed to providing an environment that is safe for Juniors and Youth during National Grange activities. This policy is designed to protect our young people, instill confidence in those entrusting us with their children, and protect adult volunteers and staff from allegations that may be unwarranted.

Any individual age 18 and above, in a leadership position working directly with Juniors and Youth under 18, must obtain a clean and clear **national background check** through a company approved by the National Grange Executive Committee. It is highly recommended that the online service Safegatherings.com be used. All reports are kept confidential by Safe Gatherings and are not in possession of the National Grange, and are valid for two years.

Any individual age 18 and above, in a leadership position working directly with Juniors and Youth under 18 must obtain a clean and clear background check before their participation in any National Grange sponsored event. These events include but are not limited to: National Grange Session, Regional Conferences, Camps (i.e. Revival), and any other National Grange sponsored events.

The costs to obtain these background checks will be borne by the individual unless they are National Grange Staff, Directors, or members of the National Grange Youth Team, when the cost will be paid from their National Grange budget.

If an individual fails the background check they will not be permitted to work with Junior Grangers and/or Youth age Grange members.

Guidelines

Two deep leadership – there should always be at least two leaders age 21 or older at all Junior or Youth functions.

No one-on-one contact – One-on-one contact between adults and Juniors or Youth under 18 is not permitted. If the necessity for one-on-one interactions between adults and children arises, the interaction should occur in an unenclosed area and with the knowledge of another adult.

Adopted August 20, 2019

JUNIOR GRANGE PROGRAM - AGE REQUIREMENTS

Junior Grangers ages 5-14 are welcome to participate in all programs within the Junior Grange Program.

*With exceptions to participating in the Ambassador Program. However, they are still welcome to work on achieving those goals before they reach the appropriate age.

ARE YOU A JUNIOR AT HEART?

As the National Junior Grange is celebrates over 130 years of service many of us begin to think of those fond memories. For 2022 we are inviting you to become a Junior again!

Take a look at the Junior Grange Contests and submit an original piece.
Subordinate entries will be a donation of \$5.00. Cash or checks made payable to the National Grange Foundation

All Adult entries will be judged separately, and the top winners will be awarded a prize.

THE FOLLOWING CONTESTS MAY BE ENTERED BY A SUBORDINATE MEMBER:

**CREATIVE ART
CREATIVE WRITING
HANDY CRAFT
MINI SCRAPBOOK**

All Contest Entries are to be sent by Mail to:

Samantha Wilkins
National Junior Grange Director
1616 H ST NW
WASHINGTON D.C. 20006

FINANCIAL DISCLAIMER:

NATIONAL GRANGE AND GRANGE FOUNDATION CHECK POLICY: All checks written on bank accounts for the National Grange and The Grange Foundation are valid for six (6) months from the date of issue. Checks not cashed by the recipient within six (6) months will be credited back to the organization as a donation.

DATES AND DEADLINES

The LAST day to postmark (or email when available) entries is by the date shown.

August 15th

Ambassador Program Application
Junior Historian Award Application
Junior Mentor Application
Awareness Award Submissions
Cape of Honor Application
Grange In Action

September 1st

Community Service Report (or at session)
State Directors Report
Junior Leaders Report

September 1st

All entries may be completed any time between September 1 of the previous year to August 31 of the current year.

Creative Art
Creative Writing
Photography
Handy-Craft
Digital Talent Show
Granger at Heart

November 1st

Public Speaking
Sign-A-Song
Grange Baseball- (must qualify at a Regional Conference)

Contestants must have submitted the following information by **Nov. 1**

NAME

Category (i.e. Speech, Sign-A-Song, Baseball)

Age

State

Mailing Address/name of Junior Grange

NATIONAL GRANGE SESSION 2022

PLAN TO JOIN US
NOVEMBER 8-12, 2022
for the National Grange Session
in Reno-Sparks, Nevada

Juniors will have planned activities from November 10-12, 2021

Activities include but are not limited to:

- A hands-on interactive tour
- Junior Grange Contests
- Community Service Projects
- Innovative and educational Workshops
- The ability to interact with other Junior Grangers from around the Nation.

Registration opens in April 2022

Visit www.nationalgrange.org for more up to date information.

November 8-12, 2022
Reno-Sparks, Nevada
The Nugget
1100 Nugget Ave
Sparks, NV 89431
(775) 356-3300

2022 HOST STATE

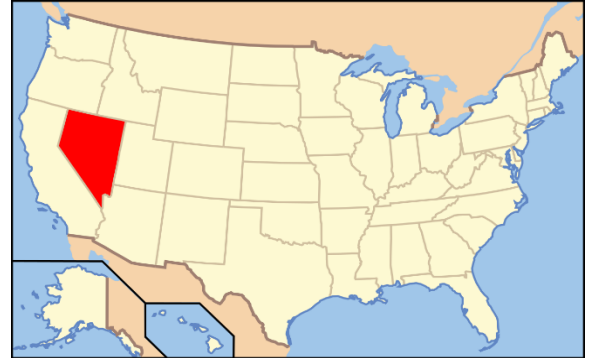
State of Nevada

Facts:

- Capital: Carson City
- Entered the Union: October 31, 1864

Kansas was the 36th state

- Motto: “All for our Country”



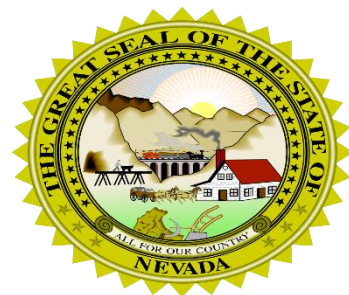
Nevada on the map

- Flower: Sagebrush
- Tree: Bristlecone Pine
- Bird: Mountain Bluebird
- Insect: Damselfly
- Song: Home Means Nevada
- Nickname: The Battle Born State



STATE FLAG

CONSIDER COMPLETING
THE PASSPORT for Nevada this year



STATE SEAL

JUNIOR HISTORIAN AWARD

The new Junior Historian Award will represent a Junior Granger who has gone above and beyond to prove that they demonstrate a superior knowledge of the Junior Grange and Grange History. The purpose of this award is to challenge Junior Grange members to learn and become fluent in the Rituals and History of our organization.

This award is supervised and administered by the National Junior Grange Director. All candidates are expected to submit a completed application and all required documentation.

A special recognition and certificate will be awarded at the Night of Honors during the National Grange Convention.

All the following must be submitted/obtained to receive the award.

1. Must be a JG member for a minimum of 2 years and in good standing.
2. Submit a copy of the Junior Grange Knowledge test.
 - a. Test may be scored by State Director, but score will be confirmed by National Junior Grange Director. A score of 80% or higher is required to pass.
 - b. All tests answers must be hand written by applicant.
3. Must be able to recite the Junior Grange Pledge and display the Junior Grange Grip
4. Be able to adequately explain procedures used when opening and closing the Grange (opening the Bible, Flag presentation/retiring, and retiring the emblem)
5. 200-word biography for each of the founding Grange members.
6. Create a display about the history of your State Grange. (Submit pictures of the display)
7. Write a 1-page typed summary of what your hopes and dreams are for the future of the Grange.
8. Submit 1 letter of recommendation- recommendation must come from a Grange member who can vouch for your invested interest in Grange History.

Requirements must be certified by Junior leader, Subordinate Master, or Junior Deputy.

Award applications must be submitted and postmarked by August 15.

Junior Historian recipients will be recognized at National Session.

Junior Historian Application

Member Name	Date of Birth:	Age and Tshirt Size	Date Joined Jr. Grange
Address	City	State	Zip
Subordinate Grange	Number	State	Master Name
Junior Grange Name	Number	State	Type of Membership: Jr Grange Member: o 1+Member o
Junior Leader	Phone	Address	City, State, Zip
Parent/Guardian Name	Phone	Address	Email

Requirements	Requirements Met/Certified by	Date Completed
1. Junior Member at least 2 years		
2. Attach completed Knowledge test		
3. Ability to recite the JR Grange Pledge and display Grip		
4. Able to explain the opening and closing procedures		
5. Biography of Founders		
6. State Grange Display		
7. Future of the Grange Essay		
8. Attach 1 letter of recommendation		
As Junior Leader I certify that _____ has qualified for the Junior Historian Award, having met all requirements for this award.	Signature of Jr. Leader:	Date Submitted:

NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

The purpose of the National Junior Grange Ambassador program is to provide an opportunity for outstanding Junior Grangers, selected by their State Grange, to attend the National Grange Convention and build their leadership potential. They will be given the opportunity to build relationships with other Junior Grangers and Grangers across the Nation. They will receive vital training that will be instrumental in developing the Junior Grange programs within their state, as well as preparing them for their future in the Grange.

A maximum of 2 Junior Grangers per state may be chosen to represent their State at the National Convention. No more than two candidates will be chosen through a process of interviews and observations made by a council of judges. The candidate(s) that are chosen will serve as the National Junior Grange Ambassador and will be a representative of the National Junior Grange program for a one-year term.

Applicants are only permitted to apply and run for National Junior Grange Ambassador one time in their Junior Career. Applicants running for Ambassador are to attend the National Grange convention and attend meal functions and activities determined by the National Junior Grange Director, at the costs of the applicant.

All applicants are required to meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a Junior Grange member for a minimum of 3 years.
2. Must be between the ages of 11-14 years, having observed their 11th birthday, but not their 15th by December 31st of the year they attend National Session.
3. Applicants must be able to attend National Convention to represent their state during Junior Grange activity days (Thursday-Saturday) at their own costs.
4. Applicants must have a parent or guardian attend National convention with them.

Applicants must submit the following:

1. Four letters of recommendations from:
 - a. State Master/President
 - b. State Junior Director (if applicable)
 - c. Junior Leader (if applicable)
 - d. Educational Leader (i.e. teacher, Sunday school teacher etc.)
2. Headshot- a professional photograph containing only yourself
3. 1-page biography telling about yourself, your family, and your Junior Grange Achievements.
4. Attach a 1-page essay on "Why you would like to represent the National Grange as the NJGA."

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT APPLICATION: August 15th

Each State Grange may send two representatives.

****At this time all Ambassadors must be able to attend National Convention and all Junior Activities at their own cost****

****If named National Junior Grange Ambassador, you may be required to attend certain activities and events at your own cost.****

National Junior Grange Ambassador Application

Member Name	Date of Birth:	Age and T-Shirt Size	Date Joined Jr. Grange
Address	City	State	Zip
Subordinate Grange	Number	State	Master Name
Junior Grange Name	Number	State	Type of Membership: Jr Grange Member: o 1+Member o
Junior Leader	Phone	Address	City, State, Zip
Parent/Guardian Name	Phone	Address	Email

Requirements	Requirements Met/Certified by: (leader signature)	Date completed
1. Meets membership requirement. 3 year member and between 10-14 years old.		
2. 4 Letters of Recommendation		
3. Attached Biography and headshot		
4. Attached Essay "Why would you like to represent the National Grange as NJGA?"		

Parental Permission: I certify that my child, _____, has my permission to apply for the position of National Junior Grange Ambassador. We will be able to attend National Grange Convention and will be able to cover any costs associated with attending convention. I also give my permission for my child's photograph to appear in publications for the National Grange. I also understand that if my child is selected for NJGA there may additional expenses throughout the year that may not be covered by the National Grange.	
X _____ Phone: _____	Date: _____
Junior Leader Certification I Certify that _____ qualifies for the National Junior Grange Ambassador Program and has met all the program requirements for participation.	
X _____ Phone: _____	Date: _____

BE A SUPER JUNIOR

Cape of Honor Award

Do you have a Junior Granger who has gone above and beyond for the Grange and their community? Now it is the time to honor them in a special recognition during the National Grange Session. Junior Grangers who plan, participate, and serve their communities will have the opportunity to be honored for their hard work.

Juniors are challenged to put on their capes and get out into their communities.

CONTEST PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Cape of Honor award is to spotlight our Junior Grangers that are doing the work of true Grangers and going above and beyond our expectations. Every Junior that submits an application and meets the tier requirements will be recognized during the Night of Honors at National Session; however, the Junior Granger with the most community service hours served in a 1-year time frame will be named as the Junior Granger of the Year. **Submissions must be postmarked by August 15.**

All Applicants are required to meet the following criteria:

- 1) Must be a Junior Grange member in good standing
- 2) Must be between the ages of 5-14 at time of submission and not yet received the obligation into the Subordinate Grange.
- 3) Junior Granger is expected to keep track of community service hours August 1 of the current year through July 31 of the following year. (Example August 1, 2021- July 31, 2022)
- 4) Junior Granger must keep track of their projects throughout the year.

All Applicants must submit the following:

- 1) Application form (found on next page)
- 2) A letter from the Junior applicant stating "Why they have a passion to serve their communities and what their favorite service project was from the last year"
- 3) A list of service projects done throughout the year- along with how many hours each project took from start to finish.
- 4) The number of community service hours completed.

TIERS FOR AWARDS:

WHITE TIER: Junior must complete between 10-50 community service hours to complete this tier

RED TIER: Junior must complete between 51-100 community service hours to complete this tier

BLUE TIER: Juniors must complete between 101-199 community service hours to complete this tier

GOLD TIER: Juniors must complete over 200 hours of community service to complete this tier

JUNIOR APPLICANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND NATIONAL GRANGE SESSION BUT ARE NOT REQUIRED.

IF Junior is not in attendance the award will be sent with the State Junior Director or State Master.

****At this time applicants are invited to attend National Convention and all Junior activities at their own cost****

National Junior Grange CAPE OF HONOR Application

Junior Member Name	Date of Birth:	Age	Date Joined Jr. Grange
Address	City	State	Zip
Subordinate Grange	Number	State	Presidents Name
Junior Grange Name	Number	State	Type of Membership: Jr Grange Member: o 1+Member o
Junior Leader	Phone	Address	City, State, Zip
Parent/Guardian Name	Phone	Address	Email

Requirements	Requirements Met/Certified by: -Leaders Signature-	
1. Is a Junior Granger in good standing-		
2. Number of Service Hours Completed:		HOURS: _____
3. Junior has competed the following Tier: _____		Circle one: White Red Blue Gold
SUBMIT FOLLOWING ITEMS	CHECK WHEN ATTACHED	
1. Letter from Junior Granger		
2. List of Projects Completed		

Parental Permission: I _____ certify that my child, _____, has met all of the above requirements for the Cape of Honor Award and I give permission to the National Grange to publish my Child's name and/or picture in future publications produced by the National Grange.		
X _____	Phone: _____	Date: _____

2022 AGRICULTURAL AWARENESS PROJECT

2022 AG Awareness Theme:

How Does Weather Affect Agriculture?

Complete the following tasks to receive your 2022 AG Awareness Award!

1. **RESEARCH:** Identify and define the 4 major types of weather that affect Agriculture (Drought, Flooding, Freezing, Extreme Heat), IF you can name more identify and define them too.
2. **RESEARCH:** What careers could you have if you studied Weather? If you can, find someone in your community who works in this field and interview them or write a list of careers and define at least 3 of them.
3. **RESEARCH:** Learn about weather patterns where you live. Which of the 4 major weather types affects your area more often? Is there more than one? What makes it unique?
4. **RESEARCH:** How do farmers know when it is a good time to plant and harvest crops?
5. **Pick at least two of the following:**
 - a. **STEM**-Build your own Anemometer to measure wind speed.
 - b. **STEM**-Build your own Weather Vane to find wind direction.
 - c. **STEM**-Build a Barometer for measuring Atmospheric Pressure
 - d. **STEM**-Build a Screenshot Thermometer to measure Air Temperature
 - e. **STEM**- Build a Rain Gauge to measure Rainfall
6. **SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW:** Create a poster to show at least two different weather types and how they could negatively affect farmers.

7. **TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE:** Complete the Weather Awareness Passport.
8. **SHARE WHAT YOU KNOW:** Take all of the things you learned about WEATHER and make a plan on how you are going to inform your Grange/Community to be prepared for extreme weather. (hint utilize your STEM Project)

Submit the following information:

- Pictures of the STEM Weather device you made
- Copy of your Interview or Career Research
- Copy of your poster
- Copy of the completed passport
- Pictures of your efforts to bring awareness! (Talking to neighbors, at your Grange meeting, hanging flyers, etc...)

The Awareness Awards will be presented during the National Grange Convention. If you are unable to attend National Session we will send your certificate home with your State President or another representative. Awards will be given to either Individuals or Junior Granges.

Individual Junior Submissions MUST HAVE

- Name
- Age
- Grange Name & Number
- State
- Mailing Address
- Email/ Phone Number

Junior Grange Submissions MUST HAVE:

- Junior Grange Name & Number
- Junior Leader's Name
- State
- Mailing Address
- Email/Phone Number

SUBMISSIONS FOR AWARD MUST

BE MADE BY August 15

NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The National Junior Grange Public Speaking Contest will be held during the National Grange Convention held every November. This contest will be open to all State and Regional Junior Grange Public Speaking winners and will be judged during the contest time at National Session. Winners will be announced during the Grange Night of Honors and the Best of Show winner will present their speeches that evening.

Requirements:

- Age:** 5- 14 years of age
- **Participants** must have achieved First Place in their State Junior Competition, or Best of Show at their Regional Competition. One participant in each category (Short Story/ Prepared) may represent their state at National Convention and the Best of Show winner may represent from their region.

Name, age, speech title, category and State name must be turned in by November 1st to the National Junior Grange Director at juniors@nationalgrange.org.

- Categories**
- Impromptu**-(only at Regional Conferences) The contestant will draw 2 topics from a mystery bag and select one of those topics to give their speech on. The contestant must meet a minimum of 1 minute with no more than 3 minutes for their speech.
 - Short Story**- The contestant may present a published short story or poem of their choosing. The contestant must meet a minimum of 1 minute with no more than 3 minutes for their story.
 - Prepared**- Deliver a prepared speech written by the contestant. The contestant must meet a minimum of 3 minutes with a maximum of 5 minutes for their prepared speech.

Judging Criteria: The contestant will be judged in the following areas:

Text: Content: Information gathered and included in speech. Composition: the speech was compiled in a manner that was easy to understand. Topic: Topic was clearly researched and personal connection was made.

Delivery: Voice: spoke clearly and was easy to understand. Command of Audience: speaker can engage and captivate the audience with the message of the speech. Stage Presence: speaker is dressed neatly and appropriately, poised and reduced nervousness. Expression: speech delivered with enthusiasm and emotion. Mannerisms and Gestures: Does not have any distracting mannerisms or gestures that are not purposeful and effective.

Impromptu Question and Answer: Response: thought out and delivered without much hesitation.

Time: 1 point deducted for every 30 seconds under/over the time limit.

Outline: A copy of speech or the outline was presented to the judges.

National Competition Winners:

1st-3rd place winners in each age category will receive cash prizes. A Best of Show winner will also be announced and given the opportunity to present their speech at the Grange Night of Honors.

Note no funding will be provided to attend the National Grange Session

NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE

SIGN-A-SONG CONTEST

The National Junior Grange Sign-A-Song Contest will be held during the National Grange Convention every November. This contest will be open to all State and Regional Junior Grange Sign-A-Song winners and will be judged during the contest time at National Session. Winners will be announced during the Grange Night of Honors and the Best of Show winner will present their speeches that evening.

Requirements:

- **AGE-** 5- 14 years of age
- **CATEGORIES:** Novice, Hobbyist, Group
- All National Junior Grange competition participants must have achieved First Place in their State Junior Competition, or Best of Show at their Regional Competition. One participant from each category may represent their state at National Convention and the Best of Show winner may represent from their region.
- Name, age, song title, and state must be turned in by November 1st to the National Junior Grange Director at juniors@nationalgrange.org

Judging Criteria: The contestants will be judged in the following areas:

Communication: Utilization of total communication, Sign Language Ability, Signs clearly with correct interpretation.

Expression: Body expression/Displays Emotion. Expresses Key thoughts with body movements. Mouths words for lip reading.

Overall Presentation: Dressed appropriately. Confidence. Timing/Uniformity

Signer must have a song selection that is appropriate with a clear meaning and one that is appropriate for the participants signing ability. Participant must sign their own name, the title of the song, and inform the judges and audience of the type of sign being used.

National Competition Winners:

1st-3rd place winners in each age category will receive cash prizes. A Best of Show winner will also be announced and given the opportunity to present their speech at the Grange Night of Honors.

Note no funding will be provided to attend the National Grange Session

GRANGE BASEBALL

Grange Baseball

Individuals have the opportunity to gain knowledge about the Grange and Junior Grange, its history, and impact on rural America.

Grange Baseball gives you the opportunity to expand your knowledge of the organization in many different areas, while enhancing your critical thinking, problem solving, communications and listening skills

Questions will be gathered from: The National Grange roster, youth and Junior programs, past trivia challenges, manual, degrees, Grange history books, Digest of Laws, Journal of Proceedings, etc.

Age: 5-14 years of age by December 31 of the competing year.

- Regional Participants will be divided into two teams: Blue Agates or Golden Sheaves. State affiliations do not matter.
- Play will last for five innings or an hour and a half. In the case of a tie breaker an extra inning will be played.
- Each team will get 3 outs per inning. (An out is an incorrect answer.)
- When a player gets up to bat they will get to determine what type of base hit they want: single, double, triple, home run.
- The type of base hit will determine the difficulty of the question.
- Participants will have 15 seconds to answer a single or double question; 30 seconds to answer a triple or homerun question.
- Junior Baseball players may request help from a pinch hitter (help from the audience) no more than 3 times over the total length of the game.

- Once the teams have been decided, the teams will need to come up with a line-up. Teams cannot help the batter answer a question.

-Statistics will be kept on each individual player. The three players from each region with the best slugging percentages will represent the region at National Session. These participants will be referred to as "Silver Sluggers".

-For anyone not participating, team cheering sections are highly encouraged. Cheer gear will be provided by the National Grange Youth and Junior Departments.

-Anyone is able to participate at a regional level, only Juniors/Youth/Young Adults will be able to participate at National session.

The top 3 contestants with the highest scores in the national contest within the Junior Category will win a cash prize.

Contestant's information must be submitted no later than Nov. 1 to the National Junior Grange Director at junior@nationalgrange.org.

Name

Age

State

Junior Grange Name and Number

Mailing Address

DIGITAL TALENT SHOW

Junior Grangers Got Talent? Junior Grangers from around the country will showcase their talents through a digital talent show. All variety of talents will be accepted, so send in your best performance.

RULES:

1. Must be a Junior Grange Member
2. 1 entry per Junior Grange member
3. All entries must be appropriate; those deemed inappropriate at the discretion of the National Junior Grange Director will be eliminated.
4. By submitting an entry, you are automatically waiving rights of publication and are allowing the use of submission to be used by the National Grange as they see fit.
5. Length- Each entry must be between 2-5 minutes long. (not to exceed 5 minutes)
6. Each entry must be introduced with the following information:
 - a. Name
 - b. Age
 - c. State
 - d. Grange name and number
 - e. Title of Talent
7. Submissions may be saved as an MP4 and emailed to junior@nationalgrange.org or shared through Google Drive. Contact Samantha Wilkins, National Junior Grange Director with any questions.
8. Digital submissions must be uploaded by September 1st

AGE: All Juniors age 5-14 will be allowed to submit an entry

Judging will be based on creativity and overall performance.

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners will be awarded during the Night of Honors at National Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

HANDY CRAFT CONTEST

String Art

- 1) Must be a Junior Grange Member
- 2) Create a picture using a wood base, nails, and yarn.
- 3) String Art display should not exceed 8.5x11in (standard printer paper size)
- 4) Be creative

Each entry must be labeled on the back with an index card stating, in clear handwriting or typed, the following information:

- a. Name
- b. Age (and birthdate)
- c. State
- d. Grange name and number
- e. Mailing address

Submissions must be postmarked by **September 1st** of current year to be entered into National Competition.

AGE: Will be broken down into 3 age categories:

Group 1: 5-7

Group 2: 8-10

Group 3: 11-14

Judging will be based on creativity and originality

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners in each age category will be awarded during the National Grange Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

CREATIVE ART CONTEST

THEME: Raised Right Here

Create a picture using the National Grange theme; Raised Right Here. In your picture depict what you believe the theme means and how it connects to your Grange journey.

Rules:

- 1) Must be a Junior Grange Member
- 2) Art must be done on canvas
- 3) Maximum size is 8 x10
- 4) May use any medium they choose (i.e. crayons, pencil, markers, paint, etc.)
- 5) Each entry must be labeled on the back with an index card stating, in clear handwriting or typed, the following information:
 - a. Name
 - b. Age (and birthdate)
 - c. State
 - d. Grange name and number
 - e. Mailing address

Submissions must be postmarked by September 1st of current year to be entered into National Competition.

AGE: Will be broken down into 3 age categories:

Group 1: 5-7

Group 2: 8-10

Group 3: 11-14

Judging will be based on creativity, originality, and use of theme.

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners in each age category will be awarded during the National Grange Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

WRITING CONTEST

Topic: The National Grange Theme for this year is **Raised Right Here**. In your own words tell me what that means to you.

RULES:

- 1) Must be a Junior Grange Member
- 2) Length- Each entry must be a minimum of 1 page long and a maximum of 4 pages. Double spaced, typed or handwritten.
- 3) Each entry must be labeled on the back with an index card stating, in clear handwriting or typed, the following information
 - a. Name
 - b. Age (and birthdate)
 - c. State
 - d. Grange name and number
 - e. Mailing address

- Submissions may be sent via e-mail as PDF documents by September 1st.
- Mailed submissions must be postmarked by September 1st of current year.

AGE: Will be broken down into 3 age categories:

Group 1: 5-7

Group 2: 8-10

Group 3: 11-14

Judging will be based on creativity, originality, and use of theme.

Awards:

Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners in each age category will be awarded during the National Grange Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.

Photography Contest

Take a photograph of what you think represents the National Grange theme: Raised Right Here

Rules:

1. Must be a Junior Grange Member
2. Photo submission size is 5x7 inches.
3. Photos may be submitted in black and white or color.
4. On Back of photo include:
 - a. Name
 - b. Age (and birthdate)
 - c. State
 - d. Grange name and number
 - e. Mailing address
5. Submissions must be postmarked by September 1st of current year.

AGE: Will be broken down into 3 age categories:

Group 1: 5-7

Group 2: 8-10

Group 3: 11-14

Judging will be based on creativity, originality, and use of theme.

Awards: Cash prizes for 1st-3rd place winners in each age category will be awarded during the National Grange Session. Winners not present will have their awards mailed to them.



WASHINGTON DC EXPERIENCE

Washington DC Experience: March 12-15, 2022

Your National Youth, National Junior and National Grange Legislative Departments have worked together to develop a legislative experience to teach our young members about the legislative process of our grassroots organization and develop relationships with representatives and departments from around the country.

Registrations Due by February 1

Registration available online www.nationaljuniorgrange.org.

Youth, Young Adults and Juniors are invited to join us in Washington, DC on March 12-15, 2022 for the Washington DC Experience. The purpose of the Washington DC Experience is for Junior and Youth/Young Adult aged Grangers from across the country to come together and learn about how the Grange functions on the legislative side. Youth and Juniors will be educated on the many ways in which Grangers and citizens alike can advocate on issues they feel important to shape public policy and communities in which they live.

During the Washington DC Experience, Grangers are invited to get an up-close and behind the scenes look at what government is and how it operates in Washington, DC. Junior and Youth members, along with their leaders/parents, are invited to attend the Washington DC Experience. Junior and Youth Leaders accompanying must adhere to the National Grange Child Protection Policy.

Grangers will attend briefings with important information pertaining to the Grange Legislative Department. Plans will also include meeting with governmental departments (such as Department of Agriculture and Department of Education) meeting with Congressmen and Senators from your state and a tour of DC.

Just as our Grange Declaration of Purposes suggests, we will ensure that our Grange Youth, Young Adults and Juniors “take a proper interest in the politics of one’s country” so they might become the informed and involved citizens required to move America forward and to guarantee a better society for future generations.

Make plans to join us now. Travel and lodging costs are the responsibility of the attendees with a \$150 registration fee to cover some meal costs and tours.

See application for the Grange Grassroots Activism Scholarship opportunity.



WASHINGTON DC EXPERIENCE cont.

The purpose of getting Junior Grangers involved in this Legislative experience is for Junior Grangers from across the country to come together to learn about how the Grange functions on the legislative side.

Junior Grangers will learn to Stand UP and SPEAK Out for the Junior Grange.

During the Washington DC Experience Junior Grangers and Youth alike are invited to come and get an up close and behind the scenes look at what Government is and how it operates in Washington DC.

Junior Grangers, their leaders, and parents are invited to attend.

WE will attend briefings with important information pertaining to the Grange Legislative departments. Plans will also include meeting with different legislative departments (such as the Department of Education, the Department of Agriculture, etc.), meeting with congressmen and senators from your state or their representatives, possibly take a tour of the capital, and visit a museum or two.

PLAN ON JOINING US TODAY!

CONTACT YOUR NATIONAL JUNIOR GRANGE DIRECTOR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

JUNIOR@NATIONALGRANGE.ORG

ONCE YOU CONTACT Samantha Wilkins a schedule of events and more information will be sent to you regarding the Washington DC Experience.

You may also contact National Grange Legislative Director, Burton Eller at BEller@nationalgrange.org

Dates for the WASHINGTON DC EXPERIENCE are March 12-15, 2022

Tentative Schedule will include:

- Saturday: Meet and Greet at Grange HQ
- Sunday: Travel to National Grange Headquarters- Learn about the NG Legislative department and how it works in DC- Tour-
- Monday: Briefings at National Headquarters- Mock Interviews and Tour
- Tuesday: Meetings with Representatives
- Wednesday: Wrap up meetings and depart

Grange Grassroots Activism Scholarship

Deadline: February 1 - Sponsored by Potomac Grange #1, Washington, DC

Any Youth, Young Adult, or Junior that has applied to attend the Washington DC Experience is eligible to apply for the Grange Grassroots Activism Scholarship. The scholarship application with supplemental materials will be submitted to the National Grange Junior Director and will be passed along to the National Grange Legislative Director and Potomac Grange #1 for selection. Two travel/lodging scholarships, not to exceed \$800, will be awarded.

Applicants must submit ALL of the following:

1. The completed application form.
2. Junior Members:
 - a. Submit an Op-ed you wrote advocating on behalf of the Grange for a specific issue that is affecting your home, school, or community.
 1. Include the following in your statement
 - a. What the issue is
 - b. Use your words to give your opinion on the topic
 - c. Decide how the issue can be resolved with the Grange's help
 - d. Convince me to help you resolve the issue
3. An essay about what you want to gain by attending the Washington Experience
4. Two letters of reference; one from your State Master/President, State, Subordinate/Community, or Pomona Legislative Director or State Youth Director or from a National Grange Officer demonstrating your character, ability for engagement and activism and interest in Grange policy. The second letter can be from anyone outside of the family unit

Grange Grassroots Activism Scholarship Application

Deadline: February 1

State _____ Subordinate/Junior Grange & No. _____

Applicant Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Circle One: Junior (5-13) Youth (14-21) Young Adult (22-35)

General Biographical Information: (education, years in the Grange, etc.) and other information of relevance.

Have you held any Grange offices or served on any committees, etc? If so, please indicate these below.

Have you worked or volunteered for any local, state or national political campaigns or offices? If so, please indicate these below.

I certify that the above information is correct.

Signature

Date

Parent/ Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Date

Please indicate the name of your references whose letters you have attached to this application.

Name: _____ Position _____

Name: _____ Position _____

Grange In Action

The Grange In Action program is designed to encourage all Granges to be active in their communities and complete events or projects, no matter how small. Any Grange that does not complete the application for Distinguished Grange can participate in this program. Granges who wish to be recognized at the 2022 National Convention as a “Grange In Action” should complete the following requirements:

- Submit a 1 page letter size with color pictures and brief caption of at least 3 various events/activities that the Grange either sponsored or assisted with from Sept 1, 2021 to Sept 1, 2022 - anything over 1 page will be disqualified
- The Grange Name, number and State must be on the front of the page
- On a separate page please include the Name, address, phone and/or cell number and email address of who submitted the Grange in Action
- Granges that qualify for the 2022 Distinguished Grange award are not eligible for this recognition.
- Deadline to submit the 1 page to National Grange is September 25, 2022 postmark or electronic by midnight on September 25, 2022
- Mail to National Grange, Attn. Loretta Washington – 1616 H Street, NW, 11th Fl. Washington, DC 20006
- Email to Loretta Washington @ lwashington@nationalgrange.org please put in the subject line for the email: Grange in Action report

To be named a “State Grange in Action”, a State Grange must have at least 6 Granges recognized as “Grange In Action.”

Some of the entries will be on display at next year’s National Convention.

Those Granges that submitted a 1 page entry will receive a certificate with the National Grange President’s signature.

Revised on 10/29/20

Created by: Loretta R. Washington, 11/2/18
Sales, Benefits, Programs & Membership Recognition Director

National Grange

Junior Grange Community Service Contest

Through the National Grange Community Service Department

The intent of this collaborative program between these two departments is to bring attention to the community service projects Junior Granges are doing. We know that some Junior Granges either perform C/S projects on their own or in conjunction with their sponsor Granges. This would also be a way to enhance the 1 Plus program by drawing attention to what a single Junior is doing in their community and hopefully pique the interest of other children in that age range.

Each Junior Grange or 1 Plus member would enter a short report/booklet not to exceed **3** pages (front and back). These should include an information page about the submitting JG, which would mirror what the Subordinate Grange submits for their State Grange report book. The report would be for just a single project to make it easier for the JG's to put together the report.

REPORT TO INCLUDE:

1. Short paragraph about the project
2. Newspaper article
3. Pictures
4. Paragraph from the JG Leader about how this impacted the community and what the JG's learned.

PRIZES/AWARDS

TBD

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: NOW

Any projects completed after 10/1/2021 can be entered for this year's contest

Program Information

1. The Junior Grange leaders throughout each state should submit their reports to the state community service director or person within state that collects subordinate CS books. Judges for the CS books should also be the judges for the Junior reports.
2. Each winning report should be sent to National Junior Grange Director, Samantha Wilkins prior to October 1 or in person at the National Grange Convention to National Grange Community Service Chairman, Pete Pompper.
3. Getting the word out. National Grange will send out information through Good Day! magazine and Patrons Chain.
4. **NG Point of Contact** will be Pete Pompper, National Grange Community Service Director.

National Grange
Junior Grange Community Service
Project Report

This page should be the cover page for your report.

Junior Grange Name: _____ State: _____

JG Leader's Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number _____

Name/Type of project: _____

Total # of JG members: _____ Total # JG members involved with this project _____

Important information to include in your report: report should be no more than 3 pages (front and back) not including this cover page.

Date and location of the project, number of people impacted, names of other groups who helped, number of non-Grangers who helped, no more than 4 photos, 1 or 2 newspaper articles about event, no more than 3 thank you letters.

Report must be returned to the National Junior Grange Director by September 1.

PASSPORT PROGRAM

The Junior Grange *Passport* is designed to be an exciting and innovative way for Juniors to learn more about *their world, their country, their state, their community, and their Grange*.

The PASSPORT program is an online digital format, so leaders will now have easier access to stamps that will not require a purchase, and thus save on programing costs within your state. This format will allow us to have constant changes and additions, which will grant us the ability to spotlight important issues or events throughout history. This transition will be beneficial to all Junior Grangers, Leaders, and Educators. Junior Grangers will now have an easy to handle notebook that will allow them the ability to keep track of their accomplishments and utilize them as resources for outside studies. Educators will be able to utilize the Passports as part of their curriculum, encouraging their students to learn more about the Grange and other educational entities that will be offered. Leaders will appreciate the ability to have immediate availability of the downloadable stamps, making it easier to plan and award Juniors with a stamp in their PASSPORT.

The program is broken down into five categories:

- 1. Grange Adventures**
- 2. United States**
- 3. Career Readiness**
- 4. American History**
- 5. World Discovery**

It is highly encouraged that each Junior Director promotes the use of the PASSPORT program. The completion of these stamps not only gives each Junior a sense of accomplishment, it also provides a challenging educational foundation. Through the PASSPORT program Juniors will gain knowledge about the Grange and the world around them that will last beyond the time they spend in the Junior Grange, laying the path for a strong future leader.

Be sure to check the Junior Grange website where you will be able to download the current PASSPORTS and be sure to check back often as there may be new Stamps introduced throughout the year!

PASSPORT IDEA SUBMISSIONS

Any ideas can be submitted to the National Junior Grange Director for consideration as an entry in the National Junior Grange Passport Program. Ideas can be submitted from any member of the Grange as well as outside idea resources.

The entire form must be filled out to be considered for an entry in the Passport.

Please send submissions to: Samantha Wilkins, National Junior Grange Director

The National Grange

1616 H St. NW, Washington DC 20006

Please fill out the following information:

Submitter's Information:

NAME: _____ GRANGE NAME/STATE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL: _____

Passport Information

Category (circle one): Grange Adventures United States Career Readiness

American History World Discovery

Name of Passport Stamp: _____

Difficulty Level: ★★★★★

Target Audience: _____

Necessary Resources: (ie colors, internet, paper etc...) _____

Learning Objectives: _____

Learning Outcomes: (Upon completion, Junior Grangers will be able to.....)

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

How many steps does your entry take to complete? (please limit to no more than 12 steps) _____

List Steps on Back: (example: Step 1: Define Endangered Species)

Junior Mentor Award

in conjunction with the National Youth Department

Grange youth and young adults can have a powerful impact on the Grange experience with our youngest members. These youth invest into our Junior Grangers at multiple levels – at the community, Pomona and state levels. This award is designed to recognize the Grange youth and young adults that go above and beyond to guide and mentor Junior Grangers.

State Masters, State Youth Committees and/or State Junior Grange Committees can nominate a Grange youth/young adult, between the ages of 14 and 35. The application deadline is August 15.

State winners will receive a certificate and be recognized at National Session during Youth Leadership Days. The Junior Grange and Youth Departments will organize a committee to select one overall winner. The overall winner will receive a plaque in recognition of their achievements.

If you have questions contact National Grange Youth Development Director at

youth@nationalgrange.org or National Junior Grange Director

junior@nationalgrange.org.

Please mail the applications to youth director.

Junior Mentor Award Entry Form

Due: August 15

Nominee(s) Name: _____

Nominee(s) State and Subordinate Grange: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Please tell us why this person should be selected:

How has this youth/young adult impacted the lives of Junior Grangers?

Please list some specific tasks, projects or initiatives that this youth has led to inspire Juniors

Give some examples of how they have gone above and beyond to help Junior Grangers and/or a Junior Grange Department

Feel free to use additional pages if necessary

Name of Grange submitting nominee: _____

Chairperson's Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____



ARE YOU A JUNIOR GRANGER AT HEART?

Many of us remember our Junior Grange days fondly or some of us wish we would have had the opportunity to be a Junior Granger!

GRANGERS, you are in luck!

As the **National Junior Grange** celebrates over 130 years of service

We are inviting you to become a Junior again!

Look at the Junior Grange contests and submit an original piece created within the last year.

Contests are found on www.nationaljuniorgrange.org

There will be a cash or check entry fee of \$5.00 for Subordinate members.

All Adult entries will be judged separately from Juniors and the top winners will be awarded a prize! You may only enter one item per category!

ALL MAILED ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY September 1, 2022

THE FOLLOWING JUNIOR CONTESTS MAY BE ENTERED BY A SUBORDINATE MEMBER:

- CREATIVE ART
- HANDY CRAFT
- CREATIVE WRITING

MAIL CONTEST ENTRIES ALONG WITH \$5.00 entry fee to:

Samantha Wilkins
National Junior Grange Director
1616 H ST NW
WASHINGTON DC 20006

**Make Checks Payable to the
National Grange Foundation**

State Directors Report

Due Date: September 1st

Mail to: National Junior Grange Director,
Samantha Wilkins
1616 H ST NW WASHINGTON DC 20006

State Junior Director:		State:
Address:		
City, State, Zip		
Phone: ()	E-Mail:	
Number of Junior Grange Members (Including 1+ Members) in your state as of June 30th:	1+Members_____ Junior Members_____ Total Number of Members_____	
Number of Chartered Junior Granges in your state as of June 30th:		
Number of Subordinate/Community Granges with 1+ Program in place:		
ATTACHMENTS: Please attach additional information:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. List of Junior leaders to include names, addresses, phone numbers, and e-mails.2. PROGRAMMING: Send a copy of your current Program Book or submit an outline that is planning for the participation in any local, regional, State, or National Junior Grange Program.4. MEMBERSHIP: Outline membership promotion efforts by the Junior Grange members and leaders.5. Comments or suggestions for the betterment of the Junior Grange Program.	

JUNIOR GRANGE LEADER REPORT

Due Date: October 1st

Mail to: National Junior Grange Director,
Samantha Wilkins
1616 H ST NW, WASHINGTON DC 20006

Who should file report: ALL JUNIOR GRANGE LEADERS

Junior Grange Name/ Number	State
Junior Grange Leader:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Phone: ()	E-Mail:
Number of Junior Grange Members as of June 30th:	
Number of Adult Leaders working with your Junior Granges as of June 30th:	
Number of meetings held this year:	
Average attendance per meeting:	
ATTACHMENTS: PLEASE ATTACH THESE ITEMS	1. PROGRAMMING: Outline the planning for the participation in any local, regional, State, or National Junior Grange Program. 2. MEMBERSHIP: Outline membership promotion efforts by the Junior Grange members and leaders. 3. List of adults working with minors with current background checks. 4. COMMENTS: Provide comments or suggestions for the betterment of the Junior Grange Program.

JUNIOR KNOWLEDGE TEST

Junior Grangers must complete the **Junior Knowledge Test** in order to receive the

Junior Historian Award.

Test may be administered and graded by the Junior Leader or State Junior Director but will be confirmed by the National Junior Grange Director.

Junior Knowledge Test is an open book test. Juniors may utilize material produced by the Grange and/or the National Grange Website, Junior Grangers must score a minimum of 80% on the test to qualify for receiving the ***Junior Historian Award.***

Highest score possible is 110%

Please return completed test to

Samantha Wilkins, National Junior Grange Director

1616 H ST NW, WASHINGTON DC 20006

JUNIOR KNOWLEDGE TEST

Please return to: Samantha Wilkins, National Junior Grange Director
1616 H ST NW, WASHINGTON DC 20006



Name: _____

Junior Leader: _____

Date: _____ Junior Grange _____ No. _____

Score _____ (highest score possible 110%)

1. In what city is the National Grange Headquarters located?

2. What is the current National Grange Theme?

3. Name the seven founders of the Grange: (First and Last Names – Spelling Counts)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

e. _____

f. _____

g. _____

4. Name three of the National Junior Grange contests

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

5. What is the Junior Degree Motto? _____

6. What is the youngest age a child may join the Junior Grange? _____

7. What year and where was the first Junior Grange established? _____

8. Name three of the current National Grange Officers and the State they are from:

OFFICE	NAME	State
a. Lady Assistant Steward	_____	_____
b. Gatekeeper	_____	_____
c. Ceres	_____	_____

9. What is the emblem of the office of Lecturer?

10. How many raps of the gavel calls the officers to rise?

11. The two Assistants help which officer?

12. What is the signal at the gate? _____

13. The _____ says. "Worthy Steward, the Gate is closed" during the opening of the Junior Grange Meeting.

14. In the Junior Grange Degree, who says "My friends, in joining the Grange you have acted wisely"? _____

15. The _____ opens the Bible during the opening of the Junior Grange meeting.

16. Who is the current National Junior Grange Director?

17. What is the National Junior Grange website address?

18. In the Junior Degree, which officer says, "Remember that we must sow good seed, and prune the young tree with care if we would gather good fruits"?

19. What year was the National Grange organized? _____

20. What officer is responsible for taking and reading the minutes at the Junior Grange Meeting? _____

21. When the Secretary calls the Roll Call of Officers, which officer is called sixth?

22. What is the Junior Grange Pledge?

23. What is the emblem of the Master's office? _____

24. Name three of the categories in the Junior Grange Passport Program:

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

25. List the three Graces and the correct Emblem for each:

GRACE

EMBLEM

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

26. At what age do you graduate from the Junior Grange Program and become a Community/Subordinate Grange Member? _____

27. In preparing the ballot for membership the Steward will present the box to this officer for inspection: _____

28. What is the emblem of the office of Ceres? _____

29. The _____ asks, "Friends, do you seek admission to our Order, with desire for improvement, and to cultivate a love for the farm and the home?"
30. During the Junior Degree, who gives the Instructions for the Salutation?
- _____
31. Name the State where the Kelley Farm is located. _____
32. Name two animals you will find at the Oliver Hudson Kelley Farm.
- a. _____
- b. _____
33. Who is the National Grange Youth Director? _____
34. The National Grange Digest provides the rules and regulations for all levels of Grange work.
- a. True
- b. False
35. Who says: "Therefore, let us make the animals and the birds our friends"?
- _____
36. Name your favorite Junior Contest and tell why it is your favorite:
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
37. In what year did the name Juvenile Grange change to Junior Grange? _____
38. What officer determines the left and right side of the Grange hall? _____
39. This should be placed in a position one-third the distance from Ceres to Overseer and have the Bible upon it. _____
40. What is the official color of the Junior Grange? _____
41. While some subordinate Grange officers carry staves, Junior Grange officers carry smaller versions called this _____
42. Complete the Grange Motto:
- "In essentials, _____; In non-essentials, _____; In all things, _____."

43. On the back of this test draw a diagram demonstrating how a Hall is to be set up for a Junior Grange Meeting. Label where each officer would sit, their staff (if any), include the flag and Musician.

44. BONUS QUESTION: How many children does the National Junior Grange Director have and what are their names and ages (1+ for each correct answer)

- a. How many children_____
- b. Names_____
- c. Ages_____