

American Shire Horse Association – Youth Membership & Programs

Youth Membership Information:

Under 18 years of age on date of application. Newsletter only. Non-voting membership.

	U.S. Address	Foreign
Annual YOUTH Membership (due Dec 31st)	\$25	\$40

Online application: <https://shire.digitalhorses.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=DigitalHorses-Landing&file=index>

Printable application: <https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:US:55d0d434-d494-49a0-9ed8-825b615d2298>



Looking for our next Youth Ambassador!

This is your chance to dive headfirst into the world of Shire horses, where your passion and enthusiasm will shine brighter than ever!

We're seeking vibrant candidates, 14-18 years old, who can showcase their personality and their bond with these gentle giants.

And let's not forget the prestigious buckle that awaits you – not just a shiny award, but a symbol of pride and honor representing the ASHA at the National Shire Show!

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Congratulating

Grace Gill

2026 Ambassador



Hi, my name is Grace Gill, the 17-year-old daughter of Luke & Amanda Gill. I'm a senior at Oologah-Talala High School in Oologah, Oklahoma and an active member of FFA and band. I'm the 3rd generation of my family's business, DGS Shires, and we are dedicated to breeding and raising Shire horses, giving me a lifelong passion for animals and agriculture. Growing up surrounded by these gentle giants has taught me the value of hard work, responsibility, and dedication. After graduating, I hope to pursue a career as a veterinarian so I can continue caring for animals and make a positive difference in the lives of animals and the people who depend on them. I'm honored to be serving as the ASHA Ambassador, where I have the opportunity to represent and advocate for the Shire horse community.



COME MEET GRACE AT THE
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DES MOINES, IA
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Karen Vetter

Ambassador in Waiting



Hi, my name is Karen Vetter. I am very happy to be picked the 2026 American Shire Horse Ambassador In Waiting. I am 16 yrs old and live on a horse farm in East Grand Forks, MN. We have a total of 6 shire horses that my family uses for horse-drawn rides. I love to work with Shire horses because of their sweet mentality and size. It's a passion of mine to help with all of our horse-drawn rides, including the preparation and training. My future goal is to become a large animal veterinarian that specializes in equine.

I am very excited to help at the National Shire Horse Show. I can't wait to see everyone and all the horses!



COME MEET KAREN AT THE
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American Shire Horse Youth Ambassador Program Application

In 2026, the American Shire Horse Association started a Shire Horse Youth Ambassador Program. Participants should be between the ages of 14 - 18 as of January 1st of the current year. Participants will be given the opportunity to help promote the Shire horse through activities like horse shows and events. The chosen youth ambassador should be able to attend the National Shire Show August to hand out awards. To be considered for the program please fill out the application and return by June 1.

Name _____ Address _____

_____ City _____

_____ State _____ Zip _____ Email (if available):

Phone: _____ Age _____

T-shirt Size: _____

Please tell us about your involvement with Shire Horses:

_____ Please list any clubs/groups, organizations, activities you
have participated in:

_____ Please attach a paragraph about why you
would like to be a Shire Horse Ambassador. Return to : membership@shirehorse.org