

Tennessee State 4-H Council 2026 Roundup Election Information

Eligibility of Candidates

To be eligible to run for office, 4-H members must have been approved for Tennessee 4-H Honor Club membership before Roundup.

1. Any candidate for junior representative must be an upcoming junior in high school at the time of election.
2. Any candidate for senior representative must be an upcoming senior in high school at the time of election.
3. Any candidate for representative-at-large must complete the application process, and be an upcoming junior or senior in high school at the time of 4-H Roundup.

| Region | Junior Representatives | Senior Representatives | Representatives at Large |
|---------|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Western | 2 | 2 | 2 selected regardless of region (regions may nominate 2 each) |
| Central | 3 | 2 | |
| Eastern | 3 | 2 | |

Campaigning Information

1. Campaign signs may be placed in the following areas ONLY:
 - a. Bulletin boards in the common areas (using painter's tape only)
 - b. Walls along the dorm corridors (using painter's tape only)
 - c. Glass surfaces are off-limits!
 - d. Cannot post on any entrance/exit doors to the building.
2. Candidates for president and vice president will submit one campaign video. Video requirements are:
 - a. The video should be 45 seconds in length.
 - b. Speakers should be in a quiet environment so the viewers can hear them.
 - c. Try to video in a light, clean environment. Ensure the speaker is comfortable (not squinting, sweating, or in lighting that makes them washed out/ dark.)
 - d. Do not wear any tight patterned shirts.
 - e. When videoing on your phone, you must hold the phone HORIZONTALLY.
 - f. Videos should be submitted to the regional 4-H program leader two weeks before Roundup.
3. Videos will be played at Roundup assemblies.
4. There will be no campaign materials or campaigning within 15 feet of the voting tables.
5. Run a "clean" campaign. Campaign materials should not be placed where damage to the wall, floor, or other surface may occur. All candidates must remove all campaign materials no later than Thursday at 5:00 p.m.



Speeches

1. Candidates for president and vice president will deliver a two-minute speech at the Wednesday morning assembly. No questions will be allowed after the speeches.
2. Candidates for president and vice president will deliver a one-minute speech at the Thursday morning assembly. Each presidential candidate will be asked one question following their speech. The presiding officer of the assembly will ask this question.

Election Procedures

Regional election:

1. Each region will elect two (or three) junior representatives during their regional Roundup Readiness Days.
2. Each region will elect two senior representatives (one candidate for president and one candidate for vice president) during their regional Roundup Readiness Day. Regions should elect their presidential candidate before electing their vice-presidential candidate. The person receiving the second highest number of votes in the regional election for the vice-presidential candidate will become that region's alternate. The alternate will join State 4-H Council if the regional presidential nominee is elected State 4-H Council President.
3. Each region may select two representatives at large candidates. Regional interviews may be conducted if there are more than the allotted candidates.
4. Candidates for junior representation, vice president, and president will give a speech, not to exceed one minute, at regional Roundup Readiness Day.
5. Candidate names will be submitted to the State 4-H Office after selection.

State election:

1. Elections will take place after the Thursday morning assembly.
2. A panel of judges will interview the representative-at-large candidates during the Wednesday morning assembly.
3. Each delegate will vote for two candidates for vice president and two for president.
4. A run-off election may be necessary if there is a tie. At that point, all delegates will vote again, with only one vote for each election.

**All official Tennessee 4-H delegates and officers to Roundup are eligible to vote in the elections.*

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