Re: YOUNG *AMBASSADORS' CONTEST*

Dear Parents of Three-Year-Old through Kindergarten-Age Children,

Plans are underway for Oskaloosa Main Street's Young Ambassadors Contest. One young man and one young lady will once again be chosen as Oskaloosa's Young Ambassadors. If you have a three-year-old to kindergarten-age child, enter them now!

Important things to know:

- The $5 registration fee will enable us to donate to a local preschool and money raised through the collection banks will help cover the costs of the Ceremony and go towards the Lighted Christmas Parade.
- Your child will be matched with a business that has agreed to be a sponsor. Collection banks will be placed in different locations. If you have a business preference, please contact that business to receive permission.
- The Young Ambassadors will be determined based upon the amount of money collected in each bank.
- Voting begins Monday, November 2, and ends Monday, November 30. All collection banks will be picked up by on November 30 and counted by 11:00 am. No donations are accepted after 11:00 am on November 30.
- The Young Ambassadors will be announced on Monday, November 30 at 6:00 pm at a ceremony held in the center court of the Penn Central Mall.
- Pictures will be returned to entrants at this event.
- All participants will be invited to be part of the Main Street Lighted Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 5, 2026, at 7:00 pm.
- **Ambassador entries will be accepted until 4:00 pm, October 23.**

To enter, submit the items below to Oskaloosa Main Street at the Mahaska Chamber & Development Group office (222 1st Avenue East, Oskaloosa, IA 52577, 2nd floor of the Nicolet National), or email to events@mahaskachamber.org.

- A color photograph of your child (no larger than 3x5 or one that can be cut to size)
- Completed application below
- $5 registration fee
  - Payment options: cash, Venmo or credit card available.

If you have any questions, contact Amelia De Vries at events@mahaskachamber.org or call the Chamber office at 641-672-2591.

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