

The Junior ACFA program provides learning and leadership experiences for youth to introduce them to the world of cats, as these youth are the future of the cat fancy. Junior ACFA develops and provides programs that foster children's ethical, social, and intellectual development. While nurturing children's capacity to think skillfully and critically, we also strive to deepen children's commitment to social values such as kindness, helpfulness, personal responsibility, and respect for others - qualities believed to be essential to leading humane and productive lives in society.

Junior ACFA as a part of the American Cat Fanciers Association is promoted as family entertainment and recreation, a place where families can gather in a safe environment yet learn and contribute to society. Junior ACFA members actively participate in the development of their organization and decision-making processes so they feel ownership of Junior ACFA.

The Junior ACFA Program will focus on feline exhibiting and education. Forums to discuss topics of interest to youth such as grooming, handling, behaviors, basic feline first aid, clerking and stewarding techniques will be offered at show hotels in certain venues as attendance allows.

Program designed for youth in four categories:

<b>Novice</b>	7-9 year olds
<b>Beginner</b>	10-12 year olds
<b>Intermediate</b>	13-15 year olds
<b>Advanced</b>	16-17 year olds

(Any youth under the age of 7 will be at the determination of the Chairperson. Classes are determined by the age of the youth on May 1st.)

Class will be determined according to the youth's age on the last date of the show season. The purpose of this program is to acknowledge, honor and educate the youth that surrounds us today. Our youth are the future of ACFA and by establishing a program which rewards them for learning about our feline friends, the Cat Fancy, exhibiting, breeding and caring for these beautiful animals we are thus helping to ensure the future of this Association of which we are all so dedicated.

A \$15.00 membership fee will be payable *BEFORE* a Junior ACFA member can start accumulating points for awards. Membership fees are due by January 1st of each year.

The Program hopes to receive sponsorships to be able to award each participant annually. Achievement Awards will be presented to the highest achieving youth(s) in each age category at the regional and national level who participated in the recent show year. Awards will be calculated based on total points accumulated for the activities listed.

# American Cat Fanciers Association



## *Junior ACFA Membership*

*The Friendly Association*

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## Activity Points

### **Group 1 – (3 Max per show season)**

- 1000 New/Renew JUNIOR Membership\*
- 500 Participate in an interview for any media
- 500 Breed Presentation at Judge's School or at a show. (Must include a visual props or video presentation)
- 1000 Setup & present a PowerPoint for a Regional Banquet
- 1000 Plan & implement a Fundraiser
- 500 Participate in a ACFA Fundraiser
- 1000 Bring in a new any ACFA Member

### **Group 2 – Unlimited**

- 200 Steward (Per day)
- 200 Clerk (Per day)
- 150 Help set up/tear down show hall (Per day)
- 300 Complete artwork/designs for Programs, Catalog, Spectators Guide, Display/Signage)
- 100 Write a report for school promoting ACFA
- 150 Verbal presentation promoting ACFA
- 150 Help Exhibitors load/unload at a show
- 50 Pass out flyers (Per day)
- 150 Hospitality (Take lunch orders & drinks to the rings, filling spray bottles, helping with trash, escorting exhibitors to their answering questions, benching areas, etc.)

## Activity Points Continued

### **Group 3 – (3 Max per show season)**

- 50 Attend a club meeting
- 125 Work at a Junior ACFA booth at a show or event (Per day)
- 250 Attend a Clerking, Judging School or Breed Seminar
- 75 Attend a Regional banquet
- 100 Attend an Annual banquet
- 300 Attend a meeting or seminar at an Annual/Semi Annual
- 500 Volunteer at a Cattery
- 500 Volunteer at a Clinic, Shelter or Rescue (Per day)

### **Group 4 – Unlimited**

- 50 Groom & exhibit a cat/kitten in a show ring (Per ring)
- 50 Talk about your cat/kitten in a show ring if prompted (Per ring)
- 100 Groom & Bath a cat/kitten entry before a show
- 300 Bring a friend to a cat show
- 7 Groom your cat (Per day)
- 10 Cleaning Litter Boxes (Per week)
- 300 Exhibit in a Junior ACFA ring & explaining how you got your cat ready



<https://fs22.formsite.com/ACFA/form9/index.html>

## Junior ACFA Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
St Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

\*By signing below, I am the Parent, Grandparent or Guardian to the listed above person and give permission for them to be a JUNIOR ACFA Member.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Show/Venue: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates: \_\_\_\_\_  
Points: \_\_\_\_\_

I belong to:  
4-H \_\_\_\_\_ Campfire \_\_\_\_\_  
Scouts \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you or your family shown cats at ACFA shows? \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please send a \$15 check payable to ACFA to:

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