

### Section 3

### Candidate Qualifications

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Name: Kareem El-Gayyar

County: Fayette

District: Northwest

#### Why would you like to serve as a State 4-H Officer?

I would like to serve as a State officer because I feel I'd be a good fit and can represent Georgia 4-H well. I could bring a lot to the table and do what 4-H does best, make the best better. I would also like to: 1) give back to the organization that has given me so much, 2) be a good role model and someone that younger 4-Hers can look up to as I once did, 3) inspire my fellow 4-Hers especially to run for board or in general to get out of their shells as I have over the years.

#### What experiences have prepared you to serve in a 4-H leadership role?

I have served as a 2020-2021 NW District board member which has taught me a lot of leadership skills. I've taught in my county 4-H program Three six week robotics classes over the years where I taught about 8-12 Cloverleaves how build a robot, how they work, and what goes into them. In this class things at times didn't go as planned which has really taught me to always have a backup plan and how to improvise on the spot. I teen lead at every opportunity I have on the county and state level as well as served many leadership positions in my county program.

#### What is your favorite 4-H project, activity, or event? Explain why.

I love the Ambassador program where I served as a STEM Ambassador for 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 terms. As a STEM Ambassador I get to share my love for STEM with people of all ages especially youth. It's honestly amazing to see the spark in kids eyes and see them fall in love with STEM as I have. Another event I love is camp and state council where I get to meet a lot of new people and make tons of new friends as well as play the Clover Games.

#### What else would you like 4-H'ers to know about you?

I love robotics and the main builder of my competitive robotics team. Thankfully our team has been at the top of the state for the past 3 years. I also enjoy just building fun things with parts. For instance once I made fly wheel that shot foam rings about 20+ feet! I've been doing parkour, tumbling and free running for around 5 years now and love to do splits. I'll answer the question I get asked often that no, it thankfully doesn't hurt . I also love cats and cat memes and probably have hundreds maybe even over a thousand cat memes in my Instagram save and will gladly spam you if you ask :)) I also enjoy nature, biking and kayaking a lot and would love to have a conversation about that.



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