

## Youth PQA online certification

**How to get started:** [www.pork.org/login](http://www.pork.org/login)

Youth PQA Plus Ages 13 - 19 **Register Now** link will grant users direct access to the age appropriate course and exam.

Parents of Youth PQA Plus **Register Now** link will allow parents to Manage and Train children aged 8 - 19. Parents of children age 8 - 12 must use this option to gain access to online training.

Once training access is granted, the youth has 30 days to complete their training session.

Modules are available for trainer/advisors viewing through a free navigation course posted on the Youth PQA Plus advisor materials page.

Please visit the Youth PQA Plus [website](#) for more information. Please help direct your youth members and youth member's parents to the Youth PQA log-in page to begin their online program.

After you have completed the online course and received your YPQA number, please forward that email to Charlene Miller. [cmmiller1@ksu.edu](mailto:cmmiller1@ksu.edu)

### **Can youth take an online test to certify in Youth PQA Plus?**

- Youth can take the course online and at the completion of the course, beginners will receive a one year certification. Intermediate and senior youth will be directed to an age appropriate online exam. If youth chose to take the course face-to-face with a Youth PQA Plus advisor, they need to ask their advisor about taking the exam. If choosing the face-to-face course, youth cannot go online to take the exam only.
- Some states have accredited food/meat safety programs that may include an online test option. Contact your local Extension office to determine your state's certification program options.

### **How long does my Youth PQA Plus certification last?**

- Beginners who participate in the online module will receive a one year certification. Intermediate and senior youth, depending on their age at the time of completing the course and if they pass the exam, could receive a three year certification or until they age out of their division and move into the next age division. If an intermediate or senior youth member does not pass their exam online, they will receive a one year certification.

### **Can I still test out of the Youth PQA Plus program?**

- Yes, youth 12 to14 years of age (intermediate) and 15 to18 years of age (senior) can certify/recertify by completing and passing an examination (administered by an advisor) or online at the appropriate age level. To certify by examination, a minimum of 70 percent of the questions must be correctly answered. Once certified by examination, youth are not required to recertify in Youth PQA Plus until the next age level is reached. The youth producer's age is determined by the individual's age on January 1 of that year.