



Mayor's Youth Advisory Council

APPLICATION FORM

Name: _____ Current grade _____

School: _____

Home address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____

Email address: _____

1. What do you view as the most critical issue facing youth in Kerrville and how should the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council address that issue?

2. Please rank the following topics on a scale of 1-5 (1 highest, 5 lowest) of issues that the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council should address.

- ____ Health and Wellness
- ____ Community Pride/Neighborhood Revitalization
- ____ Education
- ____ Safety Awareness/Violence Prevention
- ____ Other _____

3. Define leadership. What leadership opportunities have you had in the past?

4. Describe why you should be selected to be an Advisory Council member and what you hope to accomplish for other youth that you represent.

5. What qualities and skills can you bring to the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council?

6. Please provide a list of awards, recognitions, community service and any other extracurricular activities. (Use a separate sheet of paper, if necessary)

7. After graduating from high school, what are your academic and/or career goals?

Student's Signature:

Student's signature

Date

Principal's or Nominating Teacher's Signature:

I believe that this student has the ability to responsibly serve on the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council.

Principal's signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

I give my permission for the above named applicant to seek the position as representative for the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council.

Parent/Guardian's signature

Date

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Student Participation Agreement

Meeting Information

Members are expected to commit to attending all of the monthly MYAC meetings and participate in many of the additional service opportunities provided. Please note, the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council meets on the second Thursday of every month at 4:30p.m. Meetings are only held during the school year (September - May.)

Each MYAC member is required to inform the Staff Liaison if he or she will be attending each meeting. Notice of each meeting will be emailed to the student at least one (1) week prior to the meeting, making it essential that students are checking and responding to all MYAC emails.

Importance of Attendance

Attendance at monthly MYAC meetings is critical to the success of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council and to ensure that each meeting has a reflective representation of the teen community in Kerrville. Because enrollment is limited, attendance becomes even more important. Due to the importance of attendance, Full Members are asked to sign a commitment form acknowledging the following:

- *Failure to attend and participate in meetings and events without notice in advance may result in immediate dismissal from MYAC.*
- *School activities are acceptable excuses for an absence. Members are required to call or email the Staff Liaison and inform her of any absence due to school activity. Failure to notify will result in an unexcused absence.*
- *Family emergencies are acceptable excuses for an absence, however verification by a parent may be requested.*

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Student Participation & Attendance Commitment

Participation is essential for the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (MYAC) to meet its objectives. By signing, I agree to commit to attending all meetings and various events or programs. I am acknowledging responsibility for regularly checking and responding to MYAC related emails. If email is not obtainable, I am still responsible for maintaining communication with the MYAC staff liaison regarding MYAC related events.

I am aware of meeting dates and times of the MYAC, and I am aware of the attendance requirements. Should I need to miss a meeting, I will notify the MYAC staff liaison in advance.

Signature of Student Applicant: _____

Printed Name of Student Applicant: _____

Date: _____

Parental Acknowledgment

I understand that my child is pursuing involvement in the City of Kerrville's MYAC and has my full permission and consent to participate in all related activities.

I am aware of meeting dates and times of the MYAC, and I am aware of the attendance requirements for my child. Accordingly, I also understand that it is vital that my son/daughter check and respond to MYAC emails in order to be aware of all MYAC meetings and news. If email is not available, he/she must contact the MYAC staff liaison.

I am aware that my son / daughter must submit the completed application and ONE signed letter of reference from a high school teacher or official to the City of Kerrville.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: _____

Printed Name of Parent or Legal Guardian: _____

Date: _____

By signing this application you agree to allow the use of your child's photograph and release of the above information for promotional purposes of the program (as required by the Public Information Act).

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Qualifications for Membership

Eligibility Requirements:

- Kerr Country resident
- Grades 9-12 for the school year in which appointed

Additional Application Requirements:

- Submittal of completed application form
- Submittal of Student and Parent Acknowledgment Form
- Submittal of Letter of Reference (New Applicants Only)

Application Instructions

1. Complete the entire MYAC application, including the Student Participation Commitment and Parental Acknowledgment forms and your letter of reference. Incomplete or illegible applications will not be considered.
2. Submit the completed application via fax or email and send ONE signed letter of reference and the Student Participation Commitment and Parental Acknowledgment form to the City of Kerrville by one of the following methods:

U.S. Postal Mail: City of Kerrville
Attn: Kaitlin Berry
701 Main Street
Kerrville, Texas 78028

Fax: Attn: Kaitlin Berry
830-792-3850

Email: kaitlin.berry@kerrvilletx.gov

Drop-Off: City Hall – Kaitlin Berry
701 Main Street
Kerrville, Texas 78028

3. After the applications have been processed, students may be asked to schedule a brief interview at which time the student's interest in local government and ability to fully participate in the program will be evaluated. Students selected for interviews will be notified electronically.