



APPLICATION FOR THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must be between the ages of 13 and 20 years. Candidates must live in Montgomery County or attend Montgomery County public or independent schools.

Why join YAC?

- Advise the County Executive and County Council on policy matters impacting youth.
- Earn Student Service Learning Credits while planning safe, fun teen events.
- Develop valuable leadership skills while meeting new friends from across the county.
- Promote positive choices, leadership development and community service to your peers.
- Make a difference in your community!

- ❖ *YAC meetings will occur at members' respective Community Centers on a monthly basis. Service projects, special events and countywide meetings will take place during the term at various locations throughout the county. Regular attendance at YAC meetings is mandatory in addition to attendance at YAC events (October through June).*
- ❖ **Before filling out this application, please consider that this committee will require a lot of time, energy and commitment.**
- ❖ *The Mission of Montgomery County Department of Recreation is to provide high quality, diverse and accessible programs, services and facilities that enhance the quality of life for all ages, cultures and abilities.*

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

Mr. or Ms. (circle one) **Name:** _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Parent email address: _____

School you will attend in the Fall: _____ **Grade in school:** _____

1. If you are selected as a YAC member, what qualities will you bring to our committee?

2. Briefly describe what you hope to gain from YAC participation?

3. Write a statement describing your feelings on current opportunities for youth voice or youth involvement on important decisions in Montgomery County.

4. What other problems or issues are most important to you and how can YAC address this issue?

5. If you are selected you will be expected to reach out to your peers. Please describe some ways you plan to engage your peers.

6. Considering all of your commitments, including family gatherings, school work, team sports, volunteer work, religious/spiritual activities, jobs, internships and other extra-curricular activities, how many hours per week can you realistically commit to Youth Advisory Committee participation?

7. How did you learn about the Youth Advisory Committee?

8. I am applying to be a member of (Please select only one region.)

- Bethesda/Chevy Chase Region (Bethesda, Chevy Chase, Potomac, North Potomac)
- Silver Spring Region (Silver Spring, Takoma Park, Long Branch)
- East County Region (Briggs Chaney, Burtonsville, Fairland)
- Mid-County Region (Rockville, Kensington, Aspen Hill, Wheaton, Olney, Sandy Spring, Brookeville)
- Upper County Region (Gaithersburg, Clarksburg, Darnestown, Germantown, Poolesville, Damascus)

If you require additional space to complete any of the questions, please attach a page and indicate which numbered question you are continuing. Please make sure that your name is on each additional page.

Thank you for your time and interest.

Youth Advisory Committee – Reaching Out to Make a Difference!

Applications must be received no later than 5 PM on September 15

Please mail or hand-deliver to:
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4010 Randolph Road
Silver Spring, Maryland, 20902
ATTN: Youth Advisory Committee
Or email to Tiffany.nelson@montgomerycountymd.gov

For more information, please call 240.777.8080