



Application Deadline: Monday, September 19, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Student Participation & Attendance Commitment

Participation is essential for the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council to meet its objectives. By signing, I agree to commit to attending all meetings and various events or programs, in addition to providing input through regular electronic communications. As such, I understand that e-mail is a vital form of communication for the MYAC, and I am acknowledging responsibility for regularly checking and responding to MYAC related emails.

I am aware of meeting dates and times of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (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: _____

Print Name of Student Signature Above: _____

Date: _____

Parental Acknowledgment

I understand that my child is pursuing involvement in the City of Sugar Land's Mayor's Youth Advisory Council and has my full permission and consent to participate in all related activities.

I am aware of meeting dates and times of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (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.

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 Sugar Land by no later than Monday, September 19, 2016, at 5:00pm.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: _____

Print Name of Signature Above: _____

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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In consideration of being allowed to participate in the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (MYAC), I agree on behalf of myself and/or my child to the following:

I acknowledge that I am the parent or legal guardian of the child named above and consent to my child's participation in MYAC. This waiver of liability, release and indemnity agreement (agreement) is a contract with legal and binding consequences that will bind me, my child, and our heirs, legal representatives and assignees. By signing this agreement I am agreeing to indemnify, not to sue, and release from liability the city of sugar land, its officers, employees, agents, volunteers, and other participants, (collectively "releasees"). I acknowledge that I am giving up substantial legal rights for myself and my child by signing this agreement. I have read this agreement carefully before signing, understand what it means and what I am agreeing to by signing it, and have signed it without any inducement or assurances of any kind, and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of liability. If a court finds or rules that any part of this agreement is invalid or unlawful, the remainder of the agreement continues to be binding and enforceable. This agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Texas and lawsuit may only be prosecuted on this agreement in a court of competent jurisdiction located in or having jurisdiction in Fort Bend County, Texas.

Release and Indemnity

I release, discharge, indemnify, and hold harmless the releasees from, and covenant not to sue the releasees for, all liability, claims, demands, losses, damages, or costs, including attorney's fees, caused or alleged to be caused by the sole, joint or concurrent negligence of the releasees arising out of my child's participation in or association with MYAC.

Medical Authorization

I authorize the City of Sugar Land and/or any of its authorized personnel to call for medical care for my child or to transport my child to a medical facility or hospital if, in their opinion, medical attention is necessary. Further, I agree to pay all costs associated with the medical care and related transportation.

I attest that am eighteen (18) years of age or older or if I am younger my parent or legal guardian has signed this agreement.

Signature of participant or parent/legal guardian

Printed name of parent/legal guardian

Printed name of participant

Today's date

Completed form must be received by 9/19/16 at 5pm. Email to volunteers@sugarlandtx.gov, fax to 281-275-2360, deliver to 111 Gillingham Dr, Sugar Land 77478 or mail to City of Sugar Land-Volunteer, PO Box 110, Sugar Land, TX 77487.



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Qualifications for Membership

Eligibility Requirements:

- ♦ Sugar Land Resident*
- ♦ High School Junior for 2016– 2017 School Year

Additional Application Requirements:

- ♦ Submittal online of Complete Application Form
- ♦ Submittal Student and Parent Acknowledgement Form
- ♦ Submittal of Letter of Reference from High School Teacher or Official

**Residents of communities within Sugar Land's Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) with whom Sugar Land has entered into a Strategic Partnership Agreement will also be considered eligible for members. As of July 2012, this includes only New Territory, portions of Riverstone and Greatwood.*

Application Instructions

1. Complete the entire MYAC application, including the Student Participation Commitment and Parental Acknowledgment forms and your letter of reference. Incomplete or ineligible applications will not be considered.
2. Submit the completed application online and send **ONE signed letter of reference from a high school teacher or official and the Student Participation Commitment and Parental Acknowledgment form** to the City of Sugar Land by Monday, September 19, 2016, at 5:00 by one of the following methods:

U.S. Postal Mail:

City of Sugar Land
Attn: Volunteer
P.O. Box 110
Sugar Land, Texas 77487-0110

Drop-Off:

Public Works Administration
111 Gillingham Drive
Sugar Land, Texas 77478

Facsimile:

Attn: MYAC
281-275-2360

3. After the applications have been processed, select students will participate in small group interview sessions at which time students' interest in local government and ability to fully participate in the program will be evaluated. It is anticipated that students selected for interviews will be notified electronically, no later than September 26, with interviews being held on October 3rd.



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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 meeting dates and times listed on the website.

Each MYAC member is required to inform the Staff Liaison if they 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 Sugar Land. 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 absence excuses. Members are required to call Staff Liaison and inform of activity. Failure to notify will result in an unexcused absence.*
- ♦ *Family emergencies are acceptable absence excuses but verification by a parent may be requested.*