



Gallatin Youth Council

2019- 2020 Application

Instructions: Complete and submit the attached application and submit along with a letter of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, principal, or community leader. Teens who are chosen as finalists will be contacted for a mandatory in-person interview at City Hall.

Completed applications can be faxed to (615-451-5918) or emailed to aaron.hickson@gallatintn.gov , or tamecka.strawther@gallatin.gov.

Gallatin Youth Council

Who We Are: The Gallatin Youth Council works to engage a diverse group of youth across Gallatin in community and civic initiatives that contribute to our thriving city. We work on issues important to youth, talk to our peers, family and neighbors about their concerns and take action to address them. We serve as community advisory ambassadors to our Mayor, City Council, business owners and community groups.

- Comprised of 11 members – 1 from each grade/class from Gallatin High School & Station Camp High School + 3 At Large Members (may be from different public high schools, private schools or home schooled)

What We Do: Youth Council members represent students in their schools and neighborhoods. We meet with leaders like the Mayor, City Council, business owners and community groups to advocate for youth.

What's Our Mission:

- Provide ongoing and direct input on government policies and practices that may affect young people
- Advocate on issues and initiatives that may impact the lives of young people
- Recommend and foster initiatives for and by youth
- Act as a communication link between the City of Gallatin and the youth of Gallatin
- Promote and recognize the abilities, accomplishments and contributions of young people in the community

Who Can Serve: We are looking for committed youth from diverse backgrounds and experiences between the ages of 14-18 with the time, energy and passion to work for a better city.

Requirements for Membership:

- Have a Gallatin home address and be between the ages of 14-18
- Attend meetings once per month
- Engage with peers, diverse groups, the Mayor and City Council
- Participate in trainings, conferences and various discussions
- Be prepared to fulfill a one-year term (March – May)

How to Apply:

- Complete and submit the Youth Council application along with a letter of recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, principal or community leader.

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Student Information

Name _____

School _____ Current Grade _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Gender _____ Date of Birth _____

RACE | Asian Amer. Indian Black Hispanic Hawaiian/Pacific Islander |
 White Other/More than one

Do you have access to transportation to and from meetings? Yes No

Meeting attendance is mandatory for participation in the Gallatin Youth Council. An appointment to the Gallatin Youth Council is a one year commitment. I have read and understand the time commitment required. I also know the importance of teamwork and cooperation. I understand this and am able to make such a commitment.

Student Signature Date

Name(s) of Parent/Guardian(s) _____

Parent Email _____

Parent Contact Number _____

Parent Signature Date

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Applicant Name _____

We want to know more about you. Please answer the following questions.

1. Why do you want to be a Gallatin Youth Council member?

2. What community issues do you care about most? (Education, violence, homelessness) What do you think would help address this issue?

3. List all the clubs, team sports, after school programs, jobs, or other activities that you plan to participate in during the 2019-2020 school year?

4. Any Additional Comments or Statements
