



Gautier Mayor's Youth Council Application Information 2017-2018

Thank you for your interest in the Gautier Mayor's Youth Council (GMYC). The goal of the GMYC is to inspire Gautier youths to take an active role in their community and among fellow students. The GMYC needs members who are dedicated, willing to work, and eager to participate.

Members are selected through an application process and must be residents of the City of Gautier. Membership is open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors at Gautier High School and Resurrection Catholic School.

Please take into consideration any activities that you are involved in before making the decision to be a part of the Gautier Mayor's Youth Council.

Applications must be received by September 18, 2017

For questions, contact GMYC coordinator April Havens at (228) 219-8016 or ahavens@gautier-ms.gov.

Completed applications may be submitted by email to ahavens@gautier-ms.gov, by fax to (228) 497-1038, dropped off at Gautier City Hall during regular business hours, or mailed to:

Gautier Mayor's Youth Council
Attention: April Havens
3330 Highway 90
Gautier, MS 39553



Gautier Mayor's Youth Council General Information

Mission

The GMYC provides youth with opportunities for personal growth and leadership development by encouraging an active role in community-sponsored activities and volunteer work. GMYC members organize and participate in events that improve our city and unite all age groups.

Membership Requirements

Each member will be required to:

- Complete a team building retreat to become more familiar with other GMYC members and the mission of the Council.
- Take the oath of office pledging to support the GMYC mission and adhere to the code of conduct.
- Complete ten (10) hours of community service per semester (must be documented).
- Attend at least two (2) Gautier City Council meetings throughout the year.
- GMYC membership terms are one (1) year. Succession is not mandatory or automatic.
- To remain a member, students cannot have more than three (3) unexcused absences from monthly meetings.

Leadership Team

President: Leads the organization, presides over meetings, and helps create the agenda. Presents semi-annual reports to the Gautier City Council on GMYC service projects, leadership training, projects, etc. Chairs the Fundraising Committee.

Vice President: Serves as a second in command and fills in during the president's absence. Responsible for creating semi-annual Gautier City Council reports. Chairs the Social Committee.

Secretary: Keeps the minutes, records attendance of each GMYC meeting, and posts the minutes to the Facebook page. Chairs the Communication Committee.

Outreach Coordinator: Responsible for coordinating and finding volunteer opportunities for GMYC. Takes pictures and/or videos and documents all GMYC events. Chairs the Volunteer Committee.

GMYC Committees

Each GMYC member must serve on at least one committee.

Fundraising: Responsible for fundraising activities and events that benefit the community and the GMYC's mission and goals.

Social: Responsible for coordinating, planning, and organizing social events, including the end-of-year banquet.

Communication: Responsible for media relations, marketing, and public relations.

Volunteer: Responsible for identifying, coordinating, planning, and organizing community service events. Must identify or plan one community service project to be available to the GMYC each month.



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Please weigh your current academic, extracurricular, family, work, and community responsibilities against the time required to successfully participate on the GMYC. The GMYC meets twice monthly and has additional time and volunteer requirements throughout the year.

Student Information

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Birthdate: _____

Can you send and receive text messages? Yes _____ No _____

Gender: _____ Shirt Size: _____ Current Grade: _____ GPA: _____ (Guidance counselor must initial)

School: _____

Do you participate on an athletic team? Yes _____ No _____ If so, which sport? _____

Do you have a Facebook account? Yes _____ No _____

Do you have a Twitter account? Yes _____ No _____ Twitter Handle: _____

Do you have an Instagram account? Yes _____ No _____ Account Name: _____

Do you have a SnapChat account? Yes _____ No _____ Account Name: _____

Do you have a driver's license? Yes _____ No _____

Parent or Guardian Information

Mother or Guardian Name: _____ Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Send/Receive Texts? Yes _____ No _____

Father or Guardian Name: _____ Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Send/Receive Texts? Yes _____ No _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Relation: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Why do you want to serve on the GMYC?

List your current activities including school, work, academics, faith, community, or volunteer.

Why should you be chosen to represent Gautier's youth as a member of the Gautier Mayor's Youth Council? Please include a description of your leadership qualities.

If selected, I would like to address the following issues concerning youth in the City of Gautier:

*I understand that being a member of the Gautier Mayor's Youth Council carries certain responsibilities. I agree to conduct myself as a representative of my City and abide by all guidelines of the GMYC. The information I have submitted is truthful. I understand if I am unable to attend a meeting or scheduled event that I **MUST** notify my sponsor at least two days in advance and that three unexcused absences will result in me being terminated from GMYC.*

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

I give my permission for the above named applicant to seek a position on the GMYC, and I have read and understand the commitments required for the GMYC. I have reviewed the information provided on this application. I understand if my child has three unexcused absences, he/she may be terminated from GMYC.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____