



Mayor's Youth Council City of Decatur, Indiana

The Decatur Mayor's Youth Council (MYC) is seeking applicants to lead initiatives in the city to provide a voice for their peers to the city government of Decatur, Indiana. The selection committee hopes to create a diverse body of individuals who are dedicated to community service and addressing the concerns of youth in our community.

Selection Criteria

- The council will be composed of a diverse group of students who each bring an important voice to the table.
- Applications are open to students who either reside in the City of Decatur or who attend school located in the City of Decatur.
- Students must be active in their community and be dedicated to active participation in the council.

Application Requirements

1. Complete Application
2. Student and Parent Commitment Agreement
3. Letter to Selection Committee

All required application materials must be dropped off at Bellmont High School's Counselor's office or emailed to jgephart@decaturin.org.

*Please note, members of the Mayor's Youth Council are eligible to receive letters of recommendation from the Mayor pending successful completion of the MYC program.



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City of Decatur, Indiana**

2022-2023 Application

Name _____
First Last

Home Address _____
Street City State Zip

Contact Info _____
Student's Cell Phone Number Student's Email

DOB: _____
MM/DD/YYYY School 2022/2023 Grade

Gender GPA

Mayors Youth Council will meet on agreed upon days and times throughout the school year.

- Meetings should last no more than one hour
- Meetings will be held at locations determined by the Youth Council
- Successful applicants will be recognized at a City Council Meeting

All submitted materials will remain strictly confidential.



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Student Commitment Agreement

Attendance is essential to achieve the objectives of the Decatur Mayor's Youth Council.

Youth Council members must abide by the following code of conduct:

- Be respectful of themselves and others
- Uphold the law
- Be professional, accepting, and open-minded. Listen and consider other people's ideas and feelings
- Be present, mindful, and engaged
- Be a team player
- Do not participate in or allow bullying of any kind
- Communicate openly and honestly with each other, mentors, City staff, elected officials, and program leaders
- Bring a positive attitude to meetings

I understand the commitment that I am making if I am selected as a member of the Decatur Mayor's Youth Council

Student Signature

Date

Parental Acknowledgement

I recognize that my child is submitting an application to serve on the Decatur Mayor's Youth Council. I give my full consent for this and all related activities.

I understand the participation requirements for my child to attend meetings and that excessive absences may result in removal from office.

I also give my permission for my child's photograph to be released in any promotional materials for the council and on social media.

Parent Signature

Date

Parent Name

Cell Phone (Emergency)



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Letter to Selection Committee

Please compose answers for the following questions:

- What issues do you believe students can impact in the community and how do you think these issues can be tackled?

- Why are you the best voice for your peers?

- What are your hobbies?
