



Tualatin Youth Advisory Council

Are you ready to serve as a leader in your community?

The City of Tualatin Youth Advisory Council (YAC) is focused on making sure the youth perspective is heard in local government and throughout our community! We are looking for students who know what youth in Tualatin want! We need students who are interested in representing the youth perspective!

The role of the YAC is to:

- Advise the Tualatin City Council on issues that affect youth in the community
- Serve as a communication link for youth to government, business and the community on a variety of subjects
- Identify and advocate for the needs of youth in our community
- Identify and carry out events and activities for the community, which are important to youth

What does the YAC do?

The YAC hosts seasonal activities for youth in the Tualatin community, such as the Haunted House, TualaFest or Movies on the Commons. New YAC members will help in planning and running these events. They can contribute their ideas for improvements to existing programs and help the YAC brainstorm ideas for new events this year.

Each year, the YAC has also participated in the Washington County Youth Summit Grant program, brainstorming, planning and executing a project to address an issue of importance to youth in the Tualatin Community. In past years, the YAC has done projects focused on alcohol prevention, environmental awareness and promoting more positive peer interactions in middle school.

The YAC also makes monthly presentations to the Tualatin City Council to keep the city officials informed about issues that are important to youth. New members will have the unique opportunity of presenting their ideas to the City Council.

Be aware! Serving as a YAC member is not always easy. It requires a significant time commitment. YAC members are required to attend weekly meetings on Thursday from 6:00 – 7:00pm. YAC members also contribute additional time in preparing for and running events, activities and projects. It is fun – but it takes time to do all these great things for the youth in Tualatin!

Get involved! If you are in grades 7-11 and a City of Tualatin resident, you are encouraged to apply. Pick up an application at the Community Services Department by the Skate Park. OR, you can download the application online at the city website (www.ci.tualatin.or.us). Click on Advisory Committees and look for the Tualatin Youth Advisory Committee.

Applications accepted throughout the year!

For more information on the Tualatin Youth Advisory Council and the application process, please contact Ryan Dinneen at 503.691.3082 or rdinneen@ci.tualatin.or.us