



MISSION STATEMENT:

The Utah Governing Youth Council is a statewide networking youth group which plans and coordinates activities to promote positive youth lifestyles, and to help provide solutions to problems facing today's youth.

WHY WE ARE HERE:

Governors Youth Council was started by Governor Matheson in 1985. He wanted a youth council to inform him of problems that the youth of Utah faced. Under Governor Mike Leavitt, GYC was changed to Governing Youth Council. Currently, GYC is dissolved at the state level but continues to function statewide at the local level.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

- Reduce the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.
- Increased protective factors, including the ability to make healthy decisions.
- Promote a tobacco free environment.
- Strengthen school Drug Free Policy by coordinating and initiating drug free activities.
- Establish a students network among Utah high schools w/risk-focused prevention programs.
- Bring about positive social change in cooperation with school & local leaders.

WHAT WILL I BE DOING IF I'M INVOLVED:

During the year we advocate for positive change in the community by educating community leaders through a legislative dinner & a trip to the capitol during the legislative session. We also plan and attend community events where we can educate and advocate for tobacco, alcohol and drug free lifestyles.



2011-12 Weber-Morgan Governing Youth Council

Mail, fax or deliver **completed** application by **Tuesday, May 3, 2011** to one of the following individuals:

Weber-Morgan Health Department
Attention: Kristi Jones
477 23rd St
Ogden, Utah 84401
801.399.7184
fax: 801.399.7185
kjones@co.weber.ut.us

Weber Human Services
Attn: Jenny Jorgensen
237 26th St
Ogden, Utah 84401
801.625.3687
fax: 801.778.6827
jennyj@weberhs.org

(Please print)

APPLICANTS' NAME: _____ / _____ / _____
First MI Last

HOME PHONE: (____) _____ CELL PHONE: (____) _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME(s): _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

AGE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ SCHOOL _____ 2010-11 GRADE _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ PHONE (____) _____

I. PERSONAL STATEMENT: Provide a statement (200-word minimum) on "Why you are a good influence to your peers?"

II. LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE: (List all experiences where you have demonstrated leadership abilities. List positions held, length of office or responsibility, and any significant accomplishments during term.)

A. Youth Programs: _____

B. School: _____

C. Community/Church: _____

III. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: (List all activities you will participate in during the 2011-12 school year.)

A. Youth Programs: _____

B. School: _____

C. Community/Church: _____

IV. WHAT PREVENTION PROGRAM INTERESTS YOU THE MOST?

PLEASE RANK 1-4: 1 - being most interesting, 4 - being least interesting

- ____ ALCOHOL
- ____ LEGISLATIVE
- ____ RED RIBBON WEEK
- ____ TOBACCO

V. WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE IN A LEADERSHIP POSITION ON GYC?

Please check all that would interest you.

1. PRESIDENT _____

(Must be second year GYC and in high school. Will delegate and oversee all tasks in GYC month to month such as conducting meetings. Come up with trainings and activities every month for what GYC needs.)

2. VICE-PRESIDENT _____

(Will aid the President in all month to month tasks. Come up with trainings and activities every month for what GYC needs.)

3. HISTORIAN _____

(Will make sure pictures are being taken and given to advisors, camera will be provided by advisors)

4. SECRETARY _____

(Will collect role, make agenda, and take notes for every meeting and event.)

5. MESSENGER _____

(Will send messages through texts, emails, and/or phone calls to appropriate people)

6. ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR _____

(Will plan service project in December and other GYC activities as assigned such as end-year party.)

7. COMMITTEE CHAIR _____

(Will lead your committee in planning and implementing one activity in one of our focus areas.)



YOUTH CODE OF CONDUCT

I _____, agree to abide by the following Code of Conduct and am aware that any infraction of the code will result in my dismissal of a Weber-Morgan Governing Youth Council Representative. In the event that it is determined that I have violated the code, I will be put on temporary probation until determined by peers and advisors.

- The possession and/or use of weapons, tobacco products, alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs, or remaining in the presence of individuals who are using or taking these items are prohibited.
- Sexual contact at any event or activity, which occurs within the time frame of the Governing Youth Council Representative position.
- Any behavior that violates any of the laws of the United States, of the State of Utah, or any local ordinance is also prohibited.
- The attendance and punctuality of scheduled activities during the Governing Youth Council Representative position.
- There is a commitment to fulfill all expected requirements and activities.
- Show respect for others and do your best to be a positive example at all times.

I understand that I will be required to attend all nine meetings held at 6:15 am on the first Tuesday of the month. If circumstances should arise I can miss 2 meetings, if prior approval has been given from one of the advisors. If more than 2 meetings are missed I will be put on probation and a meeting with the advisors will be set to see if GYC is right for me. **I also understand that I will be required to attend all trainings and activities unless prior approval is given from advisors.**

I understand that I will be responsible for providing my own ride to and from the meetings and other activities. I also understand that I may be asked to miss school occasionally for GYC activities. The majority of correspondence will take place over email so I agree to have access to a computer with an email account.

Youth's Signature

Date

Youth's Name (Please Print)

Parent or Legal Guardian's Consent

Governing Youth Council Activities & Photo Release

I, the undersigned parent or legal guardian, gives my permission for my child to participate in various Governing Youth Council Activities throughout the 2011-12 school year. I understand that my child will be involved in some physical activities as well as educational activities. I also understand that my child will be responsible for their own transportation to these various events.

The parent or legal guardian will save harmless the State of Utah, Division of Substance Abuse, Weber Human Services, Weber-Morgan Health Department, and its agents and employees from and against all claims, demands, damages, and causes of action of every kind of character on account of personal injuries, death, or damage to property arising because of, out of or in any way connected with, the Governing Youth Council activities.

The parent or legal guardian assumes liability for any personal injury or property damage arising from their child's participation in the activities associated with the Weber-Morgan Governing Youth Council.

I also give permission to the Governing Youth Council and its associated partners to record and photograph the image and/or voice of my child for the purposes of publicity, reports, and/or promotion. I understand and agree that these audio, video, film and or print images may be edited, duplicated, distributed, reproduced, broadcast and/or reformatted in any form and manner without payment of fees.

Youth's Name

Date

Parent or Legal Guardian's Signature

Date