

Cottage Grove Youth Advisory Council (YAC)

YAC FAQs

What is the YAC?

The YAC was created in 2004 by the City of Cottage Grove to provide an opportunity for the youth of the community to participate and voice their concerns regarding local issues and challenges. The positions on the Council are open to all middle school and high school aged youth in the community. The City looks to the Youth Advisory Council as the primary communication link between local government and youth on a variety of subjects and opportunities.

In addition one of the members of the YAC is selected each year by the City Council to serve as the Youth Representative on the City Council. The Youth Representative gets to participate as a member of the City Council to discuss and vote on City issues.

What does the YAC do?

The YAC meets regularly to discuss community issues and develop ideas for projects or activities to benefit youth, carries out the projects and activities and visits with other community leaders. YAC members have testified before a State Senate Committee, made presentations to the City Council, been on the radio, run a backhoe and identified organisms at the sewer plant.

How much time does the YAC take?

YAC activities take as much time as you want to put in. Other than the regular meetings, YAC activities don't require a lot of time.

When does the YAC meet?

Currently, the YAC meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday every month from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Committees are often formed for different YAC projects and they meet as needed usually after school.

YAC Applications are due:

Friday, October 2, 2009 @ City Hall

All YAC applicants should plan to attend a special YAC meeting on **Monday, October 5, 2009 at City Hall (400 E. Main Street).**

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