



# YAC WANTS YOU!

Join the County Executive's Youth Advisory Committee!  
Earn Student Service Learning Credits!

Montgomery County middle and high school students have fun while...

- Learning leadership skills
- Promoting healthy teen choices
- Planning teen events

Applications Due:  
August 2, 2013

**YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**



MONTGOMERY COUNTY  
*Recreation*

For more information  
or for an application, please visit  
[montgomerycountymd.gov/rec](http://montgomerycountymd.gov/rec)  
or call 240-777-8080.



Youth Advisory Committee sponsored by:

**Montgomery County Recreation • Department of Health and Human Services  
Collaboration Council for Children, Youth and Families**

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Please contact a Therapeutic Recreation Specialist at 240-777-6870 or [rec.mainstream@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:rec.mainstream@montgomerycountymd.gov) to request accommodations.

# The Montgomery County Youth Advisory Committee (YAC)

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Why should I consider participating in YAC?

Teens experience many positive opportunities through participation in YAC:

- ❖ Advise the County Executive and County Council on policy matters impacting youth.
- ❖ **Earn Student Service Learning Credits** while supporting Montgomery County Department of Recreation's safe, fun teen events.
- ❖ Develop valuable leadership skills while meeting new friends from across the county.
- ❖ Promote positive choices, leadership development and community service to your peers.
- ❖ Make a difference in your community!

### Am I eligible to participate in YAC?

Eligible applicants:

- ❖ Are between ages of 13 and 20.
- ❖ Live in or attend school in Montgomery County.
- ❖ May attend public or independent schools.

### What do YAC members *do*?

YAC members meet to discuss teen issues and solutions. YAC members will represent their peers in one of the five regional districts: Bethesda/Chevy Chase, Silver Spring, East County, Mid-County and Upper County. Most meetings will occur in members' respective Regional Service Centers. They will plan and perform service projects in the community and assist in planning regional and countywide teen events such as the East County Youth Café and the YAC Teen Forum. Members provide valuable insight and feedback to decision makers (e.g. the County Executive, County Council and Department of Recreation) and design marketing materials for teen events.

### How often and where will YAC meet?

- ❖ YAC meetings will occur at the Regional Service Center on a monthly basis. Service projects, special events and countywide meetings will take place during the term at various locations throughout the county.

### How do I apply for YAC?

Please download an application from the Teen Programs page at [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec) or call 240.777.8080 to request to have an application mailed or emailed to you.

8. Considering all of your commitments, including family gatherings, school work, team sports, volunteer work, religious/spiritual activities, jobs, internships and other extra-curricular activities, how many hours per week can you realistically commit to Youth Advisory Committee participation?

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9. I am applying to be a member of (Please select only one region.)

- Bethesda/Chevy Chase Region (Bethesda, Chevy Chase, Potomac, North Potomac)
- Silver Spring Region (Silver Spring, Takoma Park, Long Branch)
- East County Region (Briggs Chaney, Burtonsville, Fairland)
- Mid-County Region (Rockville, Kensington, Aspen Hill, Wheaton, Olney, Sandy Spring, Brookeville)
- Upper County Region (Gaithersburg, Clarksburg, Darnestown, Germantown, Poolesville, Damascus)

*If you require additional space to complete any of the questions, please attach a page and indicate which numbered question you are continuing. Please make sure that your name is on each additional page.*

*Thank you for your time and interest.*

***Youth Advisory Committee – Reaching Out to Make a Difference!***

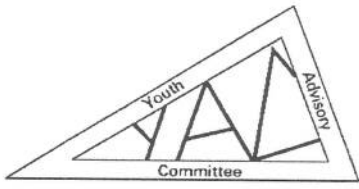
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**Applications must be delivered or post-marked no later than Friday August 2, 2013**

**Please mail or hand-deliver to:**  
Montgomery County Department of Recreation  
4010 Randolph Road  
Silver Spring, Maryland, 20902  
**ATTN: Youth Advisory Committee**

**For more information, please call 240.777.8080**



**2013 APPLICATION  
FOR THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY  
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**



**Eligibility Requirements:**

Applicants must be between the ages of 13 and 20 years. Candidates must live in Montgomery County or attend Montgomery County public or independent schools.

❖ *YAC meetings will occur at members' respective Regional Service Centers on a monthly basis. Service projects, special events and countywide meetings will take place during the term at various locations throughout the county. Regular attendance at YAC meetings is mandatory in addition to attendance at YAC events (September through June). Before filling out this application, please consider that this committee will require a lot of time, energy and commitment.*

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:**

**Mr. or Ms.** (circle one) **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School in 2013:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade in '13:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1. How did you learn about the Youth Advisory Committee?**

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**2. Please list your current extracurricular activities (Include sports, clubs, community service, spiritual/religious, etc.)**

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**3. If you are selected as a YAC member, what qualities will you bring to our committee?**

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