



City Of Jonesboro Youth City Government

APPLICATION FORM

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What is the Jonesboro Youth City Government?

The JYCG welcomes rising students in grades 8-12 to apply, serve and represent the Youth as **Mayor, City Council Members (6) Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, Historian (Social Media), and Committee Chairs (5)**. The selected ambassadors from the Jonesboro community will acquire a greater knowledge of and appreciation for local government through active participation in that system working with Mayor, Council, Department Heads, civic clubs and service organizations to provide service and leadership opportunities. JCYG will promote community pride and eliminate potential negative influences amongst our future community leaders.

What kinds of things will JYCG do?

Students will meet monthly at City Hall to learn from and engage with various leaders in civic and community roles. They will work with their peers to discuss local issues. The JYCG will be offered travel opportunities to visit different leadership organizations such as the City Of Dublin and Stockbridge as well as opportunities to discuss with other leaders who live abroad. Senior ambassadors in the program will be privileged with shadowing a member of the City to learn about the more critical components that drive the City.

When are meetings?

Monthly meetings will be held on the third Monday of each month at 6pm at City Hall with dinner provided. Please note that some of the dates take place during the summer. This program is a comprehensive commitment. During this program, some opportunities may require the student to travel, transportation will be provided.

What does it cost?

There is no cost to the student to participate in JYCG. The City of Jonesboro and local businesses will partner to cover program costs such as the speakers, ambassador packages and refreshments.

How will JYCG Members be selected?

Members will be selected through a review and selection process. Students will need to complete an application including a recommendations and one essay.

When and where are the applications due?

Applications are due on **Wednesday, September 27, 2023**. JYCG will be sworn in by the Mayor and Council on **Monday, Oct 9th at 6:00pm**.

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2023 Application

Due: September 27th, 2023

Position (Circle One Youth Position)

Mayor City Council Members(6)

Secretary Treasurer Parliamentarian

Historian (Social Media) Committee Chairs (5)

Section 1: Student Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Alternate Phone: _____

Email: _____

School: _____ GPA: _____

Current Grade Level: _____

Section 2: Essay

Please answer the following questions in essay form (200 word minimum) on a separate sheet. Be sure to include your response with this application when submitting it. Responses may be typed or legibly handwritten.

1. Why are you interested in participating in this leadership program, and what do you hope to gain from it?
2. What specific skills or qualities do you believe make a successful leader?
3. What are your short-term and long-term goals, and how do you see this leadership program helping you reach those goals?
4. Are there any role models or leaders you admire, and what qualities or

actions do you find inspiring about them?

5. What do you believe are the most pressing issues or challenges facing young people today?
6. Do you have any specific projects or initiatives you'd like to undertake as part of this leadership program?
7. What motivates you to lead, and how do you plan on making a positive impact on your peers and community through this program?

Section 3: Student Commitment Pledge

I understand that, should I be selected as a JYCG Member, I will be expected to fully contribute and participate. I will be expected to attend all monthly meetings and at least four additional coordinated activities. If selected, I will behave as one who represents the City of Jonesboro and the JYCG program. I understand that failure to behave accordingly or more than two unexcused absences may result in removal from the program.

Student Signature

Date

Section 4: Parent/ Guardian Information

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

If my student is accepted into the program, I understand and am fully aware of the responsibilities my child has associated with it. I am aware that during this program my child may be offered to take part in situations in which we will need to provide transportation.

Parent/ Guardian Signature

Date

Section 5: Recommendations

A Recommendation is required. Must be a Teacher Recommendation.

Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

RECOMMENDATION : TEACHER

Student Name: _____

School: _____ Current Grade Level: _____

Please score the student based on each of these qualities with **1 being the lowest and 5 being the highest.**

	1	2	3	4	5	No Basis for Judgment
Academics						
Extracurricular Activities						
Service						
Cooperation with Peers						
Positive Impact						
Character and Integrity						
Creativity						
Self-Discipline						
Leadership						
Self-Confidence						
Concern for Others						
Personal Initiative						
Reaction to Setbacks						
Overall						

Please list three adjectives that come to mind when thinking about this student.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Additional Comments

Teacher Signature _____ Printed Name: _____

Please place this recommendation in a sealed envelope.