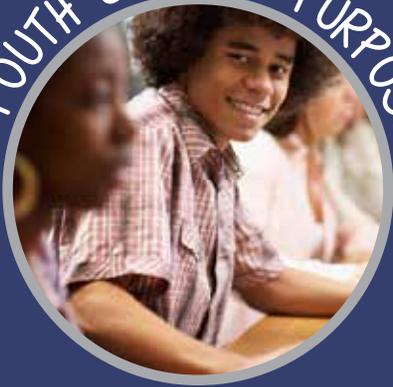


YOUTH COUNCIL PURPOSE



The Norfolk Youth Council (NYC) was established on November 24, 1998 and has been making a difference in the City of Norfolk ever since. The NYC is important to people of all ages as it works to make the City of Norfolk a great place to live, grow-up and establish a future. The purpose of the NYC is for youth to work in partnership with City Staff and City Council to address youth issues; provide policy direction; and plan positive developmental opportunities. Youth Council members tour the City; interview community members; discuss City issues and perspectives with City officials; and learn the fundamentals of effective leadership.

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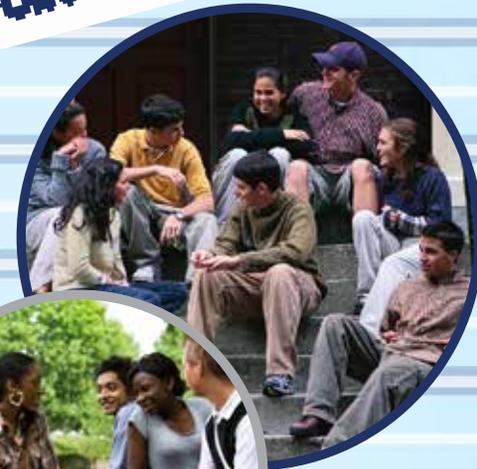
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Jr Council: Grades 6-8

Sr. Council: Grades 9-12

OVERVIEW

The Norfolk Youth Council (NYC), through peer-to-peer communication and collaboration with government agencies and officials, is the City of Norfolk "youth voice." The NYC acts as a liaison to the City government on behalf of young Norfolk citizens to engage youth in community decision-making.

YOUTH COUNCIL FUNCTIONS

NYC members serve their community by:

- Encouraging local youth to actively participate in community affairs and matters of concern to the city
- Helping other youth interpret City ordinances, rules, and regulations that affect them
- Exploring issues affecting City government and determining their impact on youth
- Identifying specific and measurable goals to be achieved each year on behalf of Norfolk youth
- Assisting other youth in the community to understand and appreciate the workings of City government
- Participating in the development, implementation, communication, and evaluation of city-sponsored youth programs and services
- Establishing priorities for the delivery of youth services in the City of Norfolk
- Responding to city government by providing assistance and advice on matters referred to it by the City Council
- Helping Norfolk youth maximize their personal potential

NYC members receive long-lasting benefits by:

- Increasing their civic knowledge
- Gaining skills to succeed in high school, college, and the workforce
- Learning entrepreneurship and life skills
- Becoming young leaders in the community
- Having fun!!

REGISTRATION

Eligibility:

- Participants must be City of Norfolk residents.
- Junior Council members: Grades 6-8
- Senior Council members: Grades 9-12
- Members are selected based on content of application and letter of interest
- Members must be able to make a 6-8 hour monthly commitment.

How to Apply:

Downloadable registration form is available on the RPOS website, www.Norfolk.gov/rpos.

Applications can be submitted online or hard copy applications can be mailed to:

Norfolk Recreation, Parks & Open Space
Bureau of Youth Services
Attn: Norfolk Youth Council
700 E. Olney Road
Norfolk, VA 23504

For assistance with registration or more information, call (757) 441-1034.



Individuals with a disability are entitled to participate in programs offered by the Norfolk Department of Recreation, Parks & Open Space. If you require any special accommodations, call (757) 441-1034.

MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES



Junior Youth Council: Grades 6-8

In addition to regular Junior Council duties and responsibilities, Junior Council members support the activities of the Senior Youth Council.

Meets: Twice a month. Day and time vary by location.

Meeting Location: Recreation facilities throughout the City of Norfolk. Location varies depending on home address. Check out the Youth Services website to find your meeting location.

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Senior Youth Council: Grades 9-12

In addition to regular Senior Council duties and responsibilities, Senior Council members mentor and support the activities of the Junior Youth Council.

Meets: Every 3rd Saturday from 10:00a-1:00p

Meeting Location: Vivian C. Mason Arts & Technology Center, 700 Olney Road, Norfolk, VA 23504