



The City of Saginaw's Mayor Youth Advisory Council (MYAC) is a five-month program open to local high school juniors and seniors with the desire to explore the field of public service and local government functions. MYAC members will get an inside look at how the City's various departments serve our community each day through facility tours and personal interactions, including City Council. Upon completion of the program, member will be eligible to receive a letter of recommendation from the Mayor.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

All applicants must possess the following minimum qualifications:

- Must be a high school junior or senior for 2022-2023 academic year.
- Personally complete the application in its entirety by **Wednesday, December 07, 2022**.
- Submit signed MYAC agreement forms.
- Be available to meet once a month for five months as well as on the service project day (*see tentative schedule on page 2*).

APPLICATION PROCESS

All completed applications and forms must be sent to the City of Saginaw by **Wednesday, December 07, 2022 at 5:00p.m.** The two methods of submittal include the following:

- Email: Salvador Gonzalez at sgonzalez@saginawtx.org
- Drop Off: Saginaw City Hall- 333 W. McLeroy Blvd. Saginaw TX, 76179

After applications have been processed, select students will participate in individual interview sessions with City staff. Students will be notified via email if selected for interviews. Once concluded, City staff will notify students via mail/e-mail about their application status at least two weeks before first meeting.

If you have any questions or concerns in regards to the program or your application, please feel free to reach out to the City Liaison, Salvador Gonzalez, at sgonzalez@saginawtx.org.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 07, 2022 AT 5:00 P.M.



TENATIVE 2022-2023 MYAC SCHEDULE

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All Meetings will be held on Saturdays from 9:00 – 2:00 p.m.

****Dates are Subject to Change and all Members will be Notified Accordingly****

January 28, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- Introductory Meeting
- City Hall Facility Tour
- Library Department Tour
- Tour of Community Services (Recreation Center and Aquatic Center)

February 25, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- Tour of Police Department
- Tour of Fire Department

March 25, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- Tour of Eagle Mountain Water Treatment Plant
- Tour of Public Works Department Facility
- Tour of Animal Services Department Facility

April 22, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- Service Project at Community Link

May 13, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- Mock City Council Meeting

May 16, 2023

6:00 p.m.

- City Council Meeting Recognition



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Student Information

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: TX Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

DOB: _____

Email: _____

High School Name: _____

Classification (circle one): **Junior** _____ **Senior** _____

GPA: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____

Please list any organizations and activities you have participated in the past two years. If you have not participated in any extracurricular activities in the past few years, please explain why.

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Information

Parent/Legal Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Home #: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Cell #: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Email: _____



General Student Information

1.) Why do you want to participate in MYAC?

2.) What interests you about public service and local government functions?



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3.) *Short Essay:* Please answer the following prompt in 500 words or less. If you were in charge, what would you improve about Saginaw? What three areas of interest are most important to Saginaw youth?



STUDENT PARTICPATION AGREEMENT

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Meeting Information/Attendance Policy

Attendance is critical to the success of MYAC. If selected, members are expected to attend all MYAC meetings and associated gatherings. Meetings will be once a month, unless informed by the City Liaison. Notice of each meeting will be emailed to the students at least one week prior to the meeting. Only one excused absence will be allowed. All applicants must acknowledge the following:

- Failure to attend and participate in meetings and events, without proper notice, may result in immediate dismissal from MYAC.
- Absences are only excused if the member notifies the City Liaison ahead of time. Excused absences include, but not limited to: school functions, testing, extracurricular commitments, illness, and family emergencies.
- Only students who adhere to the attendance policy will be eligible to receive a letter of recommendation from the Mayor.

_____ I have Read and Understand the Attendance Policy
(initial)

Service Requirements

- Students will work on a group service project as assigned by the Mayor or City Manager. Only students who participate in the group service project will be eligible to receive a letter of recommendation from the Mayor.

_____ I have Read and Understand the Service Requirement
(initial)

Cell Phone Policy

- Cell phone use is not permitted during MYAC gatherings. In case of an emergency, students must notify the City Liaison.

_____ I have Read and Understand the Cell Phone Policy
(initial)

Participation is essential in this program. By signing, I agree to the above Student Participation Commitment Agreement. I am aware that failure to meet these requirements will result in immediate dismissal of the group or the denial of a recommendation letter.

Student Signature: _____

Student Name Printed: _____

Date: _____



PARENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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I understand that my child is pursuing involvement in the City of Saginaw Mayor’s Youth Advisory Council and has my full permission and consent to participate in all related activities. I understand the attendance and service project requirements stated above and will reinforce their importance to my child. I am aware of meeting dates and times (*see page 2*). I also understand that it is vital that my child check and respond to MYAC emails in order to be aware of all MYAC meetings and news. In consideration of my child participating in MYAC, I agree on behalf of myself and/or my child to the following:

- I acknowledge that I am the parent or legal guardian of the child named above and consent to my child’s participation in MYAC.
- This waiver of liability, release and indemnity agreement is a contract with legal and binding consequences that will bind me, my child, and our heirs, legal representatives, and assignees. By signing this agreement, I am agreeing to indemnify, not to sue, and release from liability the City of Saginaw, its officers, employees, agents, volunteers, and other participants, (collectively “releasees”).
- I acknowledge that I am giving up substantial legal rights for myself and my child by signing this agreement. I have read this agreement carefully before signing, understand what it means and what I am agreeing to by signing it, and have signed it without any inducement or assurances of any kinds, and intent it to be a complete and unconditional release of liability. If a court finds or rules that any part of this agreement is invalid or unlawful, the remainder of the agreement continues to be binding and enforceable. This agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Texas and lawsuit may only be prosecuted on this agreement in a court of competent jurisdiction located in or having jurisdiction in Tarrant County, Texas.
- I acknowledge by signing this application to allow the use of my child’s photograph and release of the above information for promotional purposes of the program (as required by the Public Information Act).
- I release, discharge, indemnify, and hold harmless the releasees from, and covenant not to sue the releasees for, all liability, claims, demands, losses, damages, or cost, including attorney’s fees, caused or alleged to be caused by the sole, joint or concurrent negligence of the releasees arising out of my child’s participation in or association with MYAC.

Printed Name of Student or Parent/
Legal Guardian (*if under 18*)

Signature of Student or Parent/
Legal Guardian (*if under 18*)

Printed Name of Student Applicant

Date



MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

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I authorize the City of Saginaw and/or any of its authorized personnel to call for medical care for my child or to transport my child to a medical facility or hospital if, in their opinion, medical attention is necessary. Further, I agree to pay all costs associated with the medical care and related transportation.

I attest that I am eighteen (18) years of age or older or if I am younger my parent or legal guardian has signed this agreement.

Printed Name of Student or Parent/
Legal Guardian (*if under 18*)

Signature of Student or Parent/
Legal Guardian (*if under 18*)

Printed Name of Student Applicant

Date