



Applicant Name:

Open for students in select counties: Apache, Graham, Gila & Mohave

GOVERNOR'S YOUTH COMMISSION APPLICATION

OVERVIEW

This application is to assist applicants who wish to mail-in their application rather than applying through the online form. This application will contain all of the same parts of the online form. These are the parts to the application:

- **Part 1 – Applicant Contact Information**
- **Part 2 – Parent Contact Information**
- **Part 3 – Short Essays***
 - Personal Statement
 - Leadership Statement
 - Project Planning
- **Part 4 – Resume**
- **Part 5 – Letter of Recommendation**
 - Please include one letter of recommendation with the application. The letter can be from a teacher, faculty member, community leader, or youth group leader. Please note that the letter of recommendation must be typed and on official letterhead if possible. You may submit up to two letters, but only one is required.
 - If Recommenders prefer to submit their letter separately, they can do so by emailing their letter to gyc@az.gov. We ask for recommenders to list the applicant's name in the email.
- **Part 6 – OReO (Orientation, Retreat, and Onboarding) Attendance**
- **Part 7 – Signature Page**

MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Please be sure to include page 1 (cover) to page 7 of the application as part of your mailed-in application. Once all parts have been assembled, please mail the application to the following:

**ATTN: Governor's Youth Commission
Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family
1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230
Phoenix, Arizona, 85007**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information please contact our office at (602) 542-4043 or at gyc@az.gov.

PART 1 – APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Please print neatly and legibly. Checkmark where necessary.

Have you read the 2022-23 Governor's Youth Commission Information Packet?

Yes No

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Birthday: _____ / _____ / _____

Academic Standing: Sophomore Junior Senior

For the 2022-23 Academic Year.

Home Address Line 1: _____

Home Address Line 2: _____

City, AZ: _____, AZ

Zip Code: _____

Cell Number: _____

County: _____

School Name: _____

School District: _____

Full name of school district, do not use abbreviations (put N/A if not applicable to your school).

School Zip Code: _____

How active are you on social media? Very Active Active Not Active

Do you have a Facebook account? Yes No

Do you have a Twitter account? Yes No

If you answered yes to the previous question, please type your Twitter handle.

Do you have an Instagram account? Yes No

If you answered yes to the previous question, please type your Instagram username.

Do you have public speaking experience? Yes No

PART 2 – PARENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Please print neatly and legibly.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Address Line 1: _____

Parent/Guardian Address Line 2: _____

Parent/Guardian City, AZ: _____, AZ

Parent/Guardian Zip Code: _____

Parent/Guardian Cell Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

PART 3 – SHORT ESSAYS

Must be typed, double-spaced, in 12 point font, and in Times New Roman font or the like.

Personal Statement:

- Please provide a short personal statement about why you want to serve on the GYC and what you hope to gain from the experience. In 200 words or less, please respond to this question.
- *Example title: “Personal Statement”*

Leadership Statement:

- Describe your leadership background and experiences that have helped form your outlook on leadership. In 200 words or less, please respond to this question.
- *Example title: “Leadership Statement”*

Project Planning:

- The GYC achieves its mission through its Workgroups. Workgroups are formed around focus areas and Commissioners work through a project planning process designed to help Commissioners learn more about the specific issues within the focus areas that affect youth the most and identify ways in which youth can make an impact. During the discovery phase of this process, Commissioners are expected to research, engage with subject matter experts, and discuss information with each other. At the end of the discovery phase, Commissioners will submit a proposal for a project that the Workgroup will engage in to address an identified issue of the focus area.
- Identify a critical issue facing youth in Arizona today within the below listed focus areas and what would you suggest the GYC do to help address this issue? Focus areas: Bullying & Cyberbullying, Civic Engagement, Distracted Driving, Domestic Violence, Education, Juvenile Justice, Physical & Mental Health, Substance Abuse, Teen Dating Violence and Technology & Connectivity. In 500 words or less, please respond to this question. Please provide citations to support your answer. Your works cited, references, or bibliography will not be counted towards the word count. Please include the focus area as part of the essay title and include your word count at the end of the essay.
- *Example title: “Project Planning: [Insert Focus Area]”*

PART 4 – RESUME

Must be typed.

Instructions: Please include your typed resume.

PART 5 – LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Must be typed.

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PART 6 – OReO (ORIENTATION, RETREAT, AND ONBOARDING) ATTENDANCE ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Checkmark where necessary.

Instructions: Attendance at the GYC OReO is mandatory. This event is designed to provide you with foundational information to effectively take on your responsibilities as a member. The date of the GYC OReO is scheduled for August 20, 2022. If there are changes to the plan and dates for OReO, you will be informed if you have been selected for the GYC.

Are you able to attend the OReO? Yes No

PART 7 – SIGNATURE PAGE

Please print neatly and legibly.

Instructions: Please read through the following statements and print your name, sign your name, and date them to acknowledge your agreement. The “Agreements of Participation” can be found in the Information Packet.

GYC Applicant: If selected to serve on the Governor’s Youth Commission (GYC) for the 2022-2023 term, I am fully aware of the Agreements of Participation and will abide by these Agreements at all times. I am also aware that my participation as a member of the GYC is held at the discretion of the staff and that my behavior reflects that of the Governor’s Office of Youth, Faith and Family, and the State of Arizona.

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: I hereby provide my consent for my child to serve, if selected, as a member of the Governor’s Youth Commission (GYC) for the 2022-2023 term. I understand that this is an important commitment and I will support my youth’s full participation on the Commission.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

This concludes the application.