

## SENIOR YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL CRITERIA

The City of Mesquite Youth Advisory Council provides a unique opportunity for the young people of Mesquite to develop leadership skills, increase self-esteem, and promote positive citizenship in a safe and fun environment.

The Mesquite Youth Advisory Council is a cooperative endeavor between Mesquite ISD and the City of Mesquite. Membership of the Youth Advisory Council shall include any student who resides in Mesquite or attends Mesquite high school.

The Senior Youth Advisory Council is made of students 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

Senior Youth Advisory Council - high school meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at the Dunford Recreation Center, 1015 Green Canyon, Mesquite, Texas 75149 from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

The Youth Advisory Council meets October thru May for a total of sixteen meetings. Youth Advisory Council members must attend at least eight meetings, one meeting a month to be considered for YAC special events.

The Advisory Council will explore ways to provide community service, volunteer opportunities for youth, special events, fundraising, and may review the potential need for better coordination of events for the youth of Mesquite.

The Youth Advisory Council officers include a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Parliamentarian. The Youth Services Coordinator may appoint additional members if the need arises.

### **Youth Advisory Council stands for:**

**Integrity**  
**Leadership**  
**Humility**  
**Respect**

What does **YAC** do?

YAC participates in....

- ❖ Community events  
Christmas / Thanksgiving
- ❖ Volunteer projects
- ❖ City Council meeting
- ❖ MYS board meeting
- ❖ National Youth Service Day
- ❖ YAC Youth Summit
- ❖ Special Events (1)

Why should I join **YAC**?

Sharpen your skills...

- ❖ Planning and decision making
- ❖ Leadership Behavior
- ❖ Responsibility
- ❖ Achievement motivation
- ❖ Integrity
- ❖ Interpersonal competence