

# LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR USD 261 STUDENTS

**M**AYOR'S  
**Y**OUTH  
**L**EADERSHIP  
**C**OUNCIL



## UNITING STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS

MYLC is made up of high school aged leaders from the Haysville area, selected by Haysville Mayor Russ Kessler. The Council was created to raise awareness and involvement of Haysville youth in city government and develop leadership skills.



Apps for 2024-25 due by April 26, 2024!

## APPLY TO JOIN IF:

YOU ARE CURRENTLY  
IN GRADES 8-11

LIVE WITHIN THE USD  
261 DISTRICT

ENJOY NEW AND  
CHALLENGING  
EXPERIENCES

YOU WANT A VOICE IN  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT

## FOR MORE INFO OR TO REQUEST APPLICATION:

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# MAYOR'S YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

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## How to Apply

1. Complete and sign this application (please print or type).
2. Insert an official verification of your grade point average.
3. Obtain your parent's or legal guardian's signature, giving you permission to participate.
4. Submit your application by **Friday, April 26, 2024** using one of the following methods:
  - a. Mail or deliver the application to:

Mayor's Youth Leadership Council  
C/O Will Black  
City of Haysville  
200 W. Grand Ave.  
Haysville, KS 67060

- b. Email a signed copy of the application to [wblack@haysville-ks.com](mailto:wblack@haysville-ks.com)
  - In the subject line, please type, "[First Name] [Last Name] – MYLC Application."

## Selection Criteria

Selections will be made based on the following criteria:

- The student's interest in serving on the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council (MYLC). Participation includes attending regular MYLC and committee meetings each month along with other meetings and events as they arise.
- The student's history of active community involvement, volunteerism, a desire to serve others, and public service.
- The student's interest in a post-secondary education.
- The student's desire to develop his/her leadership potential.
- The student's history of academic achievement.
- Feedback from the student's references.
- An interview with the selection committee chaired by Mayor Russ Kessler.

**Personal Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level for the 2024-2025 School Year: *Freshman*    *Sophomore*    *Junior*    *Senior*

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact Information**

Name of Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation of Emergency Contact to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number of Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Essay Responses**

Please respond to the following questions as thoroughly as possible. Responses should be provided on a separate page.

- 1) Why are you interested in participating in the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council?
- 2) Why are you a good candidate for the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council?
- 3) What activities are you involved in at school and in the community?
- 4) Which experiences have prepared you to be a successful member of the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council?
- 5) Provide an essay that explains what you believe to be the most important issue facing Haysville's youth and how, as a member of the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council, you would work with area youth, local government, and local nonprofit agencies to address this issue. The essay should be a maximum of two pages and double-spaced. Attach the essay to this application.

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**Additional Requirements**

- 6) Include two letters of recommendation from adults you have worked with in school or non-school activities (e.g. teacher, counselor, coach, supervisor, etc.). Ask the letter writers to include their name, phone number, and email address in the letters.

**Statement of Commitment**

I understand the time commitment required for the Mayor’s Youth Leadership Council and that my attendance and active participation are essential to making the Mayor’s Youth Leadership Council the best student-led organization in Haysville. **I also understand that while the Council does not specify how many absences shall be allowed per Member, if a Member develops a pattern of non-participation, they could be subject to a review meeting with the Executive Committee or removal from the Council, after decision by the Executive Committee.** Lastly, I understand the importance of teamwork and cooperation, and I will be committed to this council and my fellow council members.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Legal Guardian’s Signature**

As the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, I give consent for my child to participate on the Mayor’s Youth Leadership Council and in all related activities.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_