



# MONTANA YMCA YOUTH & GOVERNMENT

FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Application for Appointed Position (Check Position Below)  
Due March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year in School: \_\_\_\_\_ Delegation: \_\_\_\_\_

Check the position(s) you are applying for below.

For \*\*Committee/Vice Chair: \_\_\_House \_\_\_Senate \_\_\_FY House \_\_\_FY Senate

*\*\*You will be considered for Speaker/President Pro Tempore unless you check here\_\_\_\_\_*

\_\_\_\_Supreme Court Clerk (2 positions)\_\_\_\_Legislative Clerk/Secretary (4 positions)\_\_\_\_Sergeant at Arms (2 positions)\_\_\_\_Youth and Government Chaplain (one position) \_\_\_\_Justice (6 positions) \_\_\_\_Editor (1 position)

Answer all that apply:

1. Please list prior experience that qualifies you for this position. Include past Youth and Government experience, if any, as well as other activities and/or classes which might help to demonstrate your ability to do the job:
2. Please list other extracurricular activities you have participated in that you believe provide you with experience you can apply to this position:
3. Please describe how the experiences you noted above help qualify you for this position
4. Please give an example (or more than one) of a time in your life when you demonstrated open mindedness and the ability to look at a situation objectively:
5. Have you ever facilitated or led a meeting, committee, or similar activity and if so, please explain? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no
6. Have your ever used formal Parliamentary Procedure (such as Robert's Rules of Order or Mason's Rules of Legislative Procedure)? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no And if yes, explain:



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7. Describe a time in your life when you put your personal opinions and feelings aside in order to act in a fair and objective manner.
8. Describe a time in your life when you effectively led a group of people and accomplished a complex task. What task did your group accomplish and what sort of "style" did you use to lead or direct the group to get the job done?
9. Describe a time when you resolved a conflict between two (or more) other people in such a way that a compromise was reached and both sides got some of what they wanted.

## FOR GOVERNOR'S CABINET APPLICANTS:

1. Explain why you feel able and qualified to represent the Youth Governor's positions (as described in the philosophy statement) on the issues that will probably come up at Youth Legislature.
2. What would you do if you found that you DID personally disagree with the Governor on a particular bill or issue? (Do **not** say that you would never disagree. Explain how you would handle such an issue if it came up, just in case it does.)
3. Please choose one political issue, briefly state your position on that issue, but then explain the core arguments for **both** (or all) sides of the issue. (*i.e. for abortion, give both pro-life and pro-choice arguments.*)

## FOR EDITOR APPLICANTS:

1. Explain why you feel able and qualified to represent the Youth Governor's positions (as described in the philosophy statement) on the issues that will probably come up at Youth Legislature.
2. What would you do if you found that you DID personally disagree with the Governor on a particular bill or issue? (Do **not** say that you would never disagree. Explain how you would handle such an issue if it came up, just in case it does.)



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3. Please choose one political issue, briefly state your position on that issue, but then explain the core arguments for **both** (or all) sides of the issue. (*i.e. for abortion, give both pro-life and pro-choice arguments.*)

### Signatures (Electronic accepted)

I hereby declare that the above and attached information is complete and truthful. I agree that, barring emergencies and unforeseen circumstances, if offered this position, I will prioritize the daytime hours the Youth and Government program meets in Helena above all other extracurricular activities. I agree to attend the Youth and Government session in its entirety and will not schedule non-emergency appointments, meetings or activities of any kind during the daytime hours the program is in session. I have my parent's permission to travel to a training session in the month prior to the Youth and Government program, and will attend. I understand that I will forfeit my committee chair position if I do not attend a training session.

I have discussed this application with both my parent(s) and my advisor and have their support in my application for this position.

Applicant's Signature:

Date:

### 2016 Committee/Vice Chair Training Schedule (Circle the training you will attend)

- Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Livingston – noon until 3:00
- Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> – Butte – noon until 3:00

### 2016 Student Justice Training

- Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> – Visiting Attorney's Room, Montana Supreme Court, Helena

*Lunch will be served at each training session.*

All students who are selected for a committee chair or vice-chair position must attend ONE of the training sessions. **Any chair who does not attend a training session will be replaced by his or her vice-chair.**