

# City of Charleston Mayor's Youth Commission

## 2024-2025 Application



**Be the voice for youth.**  
**Connect with local government.**  
**Raise public awareness.**  
**Create a positive impact.**

### Who We Are:

- The Mayor's Youth Commission (MYC) is open to youth of Charleston County. Members are 9th-12th grade students who attend public, private, or home school in Charleston County.
- Members are selected to serve a one-year term from March 2024 to May 2025.

### What We Do:

- The MYC meets monthly with Mayor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families (MOCYF) staff and quarterly with Mayor Cogswell.
  - Currently members meet in a hybrid format with a mixture of Zoom and in-person.
  - Meetings are held from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
- Members are encouraged to provide their leadership, input, and ideas about how to best combat community problems. Members offer their perspective, determine strategies, and implement youth summits and guest speaker sessions to empower their peers.

### How to Get Apply:

- Must **currently** (2023-24 school year) be an 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> grade student at a public, private, charter or home school in Charleston County.
- Complete the current MYC application in its entirety.
- Ask your parent/guardian **and** principal to review and sign your application.
- Return your application no later than Wednesday, March 27, 2024.**



**APPLICANT SIGNATURE**

*I have read and understand all the previous material concerning the Mayor’s Youth Commission and, if selected, I am committed to serving as a Commission member for a one-year term; I will actively attend all meetings and participate in MYC activities. I understand if I fail to uphold my obligations I will be terminated from the group.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE**

*I give permission for my child to serve on the Mayor’s Youth Commission and realize that attendance is required at all meetings unless they receive an excused absence. I also understand that if my child misses three or more meetings without prior notice, they can be terminated from the MYC group.*

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Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Parent Name (please print)

**PRINCIPAL SIGNATURE**

*I believe this student should be considered to serve on the Mayor’s Youth Commission.*

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Principal Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Ways to submit your application by the March 27, 2024 Deadline**

**Via Email**  
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**Via In-Person or Mail**  
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Suite 3700  
Charleston, SC 29401

**Via Fax**  
843-965-4190

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