



## Mayor's Teen Council Application Form

Application Deadline: June 1, 2015

You may submit completed applications to:

- Zula B. Wylie Public Library
- Cedar Hill High School Counseling Office
- Cedar Hill Collegiate High School Office
- Cedar Hill Municipal Government Center Receptionist
- Cedar Hill ISD Department of Student Support and Community Services

***Please note: Incomplete applications will not be considered.***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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

(Must be a resident of Cedar Hill or attend school in the City of Cedar Hill)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Your School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: 10  11  12

Are you involved in school activities that require community service hours?  
If so, please state the name of the program(s) and the hours needed:

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- I commit to being available on Monday nights at least twice a month.
- I have included a copy of my current school transcript showing that I have passing grades in all classes.
- I have included three reference forms from community leaders, one of which is from a teacher.
- I have included a short essay expressing why I would be a good asset to the Mayor's Teen Council.

Please provide your T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

## Release and Indemnification Agreement

In consideration of the opportunity for my child to participate in the Mayor's Teen Council, I, the undersigned parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, do hereby waive all claims, release, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City of Cedar Hill and the Cedar Hill Independent School District and all of their officials, officers, agents, and employees, in both their public and private capacities, and all other participating sponsors, and their employees and agents, for all liability, claims, suits, demands, or causes of action, including all expenses of litigation and/or settlement which are related to or arise by reason of injury to, or death

or debt of any person, including but not limited to Minor Child, or for loss of, damage to, or loss of use of any property arising out of or in connection with the program(s) related to or as a result of the act or omission of Minor Child.

In further consideration of Minor Child's participation in the program(s) described herein, the undersigned agrees to release, defend, indemnify and hold harmless City of Cedar Hill and the Cedar Hill Independent School District, their officials, officers, employees, heirs, successors, and assigns, from and against any and all claims, demands, or causes of action, including claims for contribution or indemnity, and the reasonable and necessary claims that the Minor Child has or may have arising out of, related to, or resulting from the aforementioned program(s) which allegedly occurred because of such Minor Child's participation in the program(s).

I agree that the City of Cedar Hill and Cedar Hill Independent School District, their officials, employees, agents, and representatives have the authority to use pictures of my child taken during my child's participation in the Mayor's Teen Council. The pictures may be taken and used without my knowledge or payment to me.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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Student Signature

Date

## Cedar Hill Teen Council Code of Conduct

The following guidelines are designed to make your experience at Cedar Hill Teen Council events satisfying to you and to all others attending. This means that all participants, members, volunteers, and Cedar Hill Teen Council Staff must adhere to the core values of the Cedar Hill Teen Council and respect the individual rights, safety, and property of others.

### **WHILE ATTENDING ALL TEEN COUNCIL MEETINGS, PROJECTS, PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, & EVENTS:**

1. Everyone is expected to attend planned sessions, workshops, field trips, and meetings of the event, and to be in appropriate dress. Delegation chaperones and/or volunteers are responsible for ensuring that members participate in all aspects of the planned program activities.
2. The possession and use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, and/or drugs (except medications prescribed to the participant) is prohibited.
3. Gambling and betting by adults and youth representing Cedar Hill Teen Council prohibited.
4. Obscene, discriminatory, and/or inappropriate language, roughhousing, and insubordination are prohibited at all times.
5. Youth members should demonstrate respect toward others (youth and adults) and all facilities. Bullying, harassment of others or destruction of property will not be tolerated. These guidelines apply in both "real" and "virtual" (via social media) situations.
6. Display of overly affectionate or inappropriate attention between participants is prohibited.
7. Technological equipment (including but not limited to cell phones, iPads, laptops or mp3 players) should not interfere with the program and may not be allowed in certain situations.
8. Additional Code of Conduct guidelines specific to each county, event or program may apply and are included.

### **WHILE ATTENDING OVERNIGHT CONFERENCES, CAMPS, AND EVENTS, THE FOLLOWING WILL ALSO APPLY:**

1. All participants are to be in their assigned area at curfew and comply with quiet hours, lights out, and other rules of the event.
2. No member or volunteer may leave the grounds unless permission is granted from the conference director or adult in charge. An adult must accompany Cedar Hill Teen Council members. Adults must notify another adult in the delegation before leaving the grounds.

3. At overnight events, only Conference participants may be in sleeping areas. Lounges or common areas may be used only for working committees and social activities.
4. Room service such as phone calls, food, laundry, or others will not be permitted without chaperone permission.

**Parents and (Cedar Hill Teen Council youth in attendance) understand and accept responsibility for the above guidelines. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the Cedar Hill Teen Council member being sent home from the activity or event at his/her own expense and/or made ineligible to participate in future Cedar Hill Teen Council events and activities.**

### **PENALTIES FOR INFRACTIONS**

Infractions of this Code of Conduct must be reported promptly by anyone observing the incident to the adult in charge of the delegation/program and to the person in charge of the event who will bear final responsibility for disciplinary action. Penalties may include any or all of the following:

- Sending participant home
- Barring participation from future Cedar Hill Teen Council events
- Assessing the participant the cost of damages in the event of destruction of property
- Releasing participant to nearest law enforcement agency or authority
- Termination of Cedar Hill Teen Council Member (youth and adult)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its rules. I understand that infraction of this Code will result in any or all of the penalties listed above.

Prospective Member \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_  
(print name)

Prospective Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

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

*Should you be selected to participate in the Mayor's Teen Council, you may have the opportunity to attend the Youth Advisory Council Leadership Summit. Please sign consent if you would like to attend.*

**Youth Advisory Council Leadership Summit Liability Statement/Informed Consent & Release**

**Authorization for Emergency Treatment & Transportation**

I, the undersigned, as the parent or legal guardian of the child named in this application, give permission for my child to participate in the 2015 Youth Advisory Commission Summit (YAC), sponsored by Texas Municipal League and City of Cedar Hill and hereby assume full responsibility for all risk of injury which may result from my son's/ daughter's participation in this activity.

I hereby release and agree to hold harmless the City of Cedar Hill, its officers, employees and agents, from any and all claims, demands, injuries, damages, actions, or causes of actions which arise, regardless of whether such claims are based upon negligence or other grounds.

In the case of an emergency and I (or my emergency contact) cannot be reached, I authorize the staff of the City of Cedar Hill to obtain whatever medical treatment they deem necessary for the welfare of my child. I further understand and agree that I will be financially responsible for all charges and fees incurred for the provision of said medical treatment.

I have read, understand, and will abide to the terms and conditions as written on this registration and materials located in the YAC Summit brochure as they relate to my child's participation within the YAC Summit in Killeen, Texas.

**Student Name (Please Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/ Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Insurance Company Info. (Optional)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Policy # Exp. Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any medical conditions, allergies, or medications that the Cedar Hill Parks & Rec Department staff or Emergency Personnel would need to know, in the case that your child may need emergency medical treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

Is there any special information/ needs about your child that would assist our staff in caring for him/her? \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Contact Info:**

**Name:** (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ **Home Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other (if necessary):** \_\_\_\_\_



## Cedar Hill Teen Council Reference Form

### **Instructions:**

1. The person who is applying to be in the Cedar Hill Teen Council will fill out Part I and give this form to the person who will write the reference. (This person could be a leader, advisor, or other adult who knows the applicant well; at least one letter must come from a current or previous year teacher)
2. Please print or type when filling out the form.
3. The reference person is to send this form to applicant.

### **Part I: To be completed by applicant.**

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Part II: To be completed by the person providing the reference.**

I am applying for the Cedar Hill Teen Council. This project involves working as part of a team with youth my own age, as well as staff and board members, in recommending decisions that may influence city and/or school board action. I would appreciate it if you would provide a reference for me using this form to describe my qualifications.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity do you know the applicant?

How long have you known the applicant?

How would you rate the applicant's ability to function in the role of "Council Representative"?

\_\_\_\_\_ Excellent \_\_\_\_\_ Good \_\_\_\_\_ Fair \_\_\_\_\_ Poor

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark how you would evaluate the applicant's qualities in the following areas:

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Communication Skills				
Dependability				
Enthusiasm				
Initiative				
Responsibility				

Based on your knowledge of this applicant, please describe how you think this he or she will contribute to the Cedar Hill Mayor's Teen Council:

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Reference Person's Signature

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Date