



Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Youth Ambassador (YA) program in Taylorsville, Utah! We know there are many things competing for your time and we are honored that you chose to apply to represent your city as a Youth Ambassador.

Please read the following information carefully and make sure you follow all application directions carefully and thoroughly.

The Youth Ambassador Program

Purpose of the YA Program: To bring together high school seniors and recent high school graduates with mentors from businesses and government across Taylorsville. Provide mutual understanding, increase leadership skills and prepare youth to make a difference in their communities as they step into adulthood after graduation.

Youth Ambassadors will learn first-hand how the city is governed, about the services provided to its residents and how each city department contributes to the quality of life for the city. They will build knowledge about current issues facing the city, and develop leadership and personal skills.

Ambassadors are required to serve in several ways:

- Intern for a day (or the equivalent of an 8 hour day spread out in 2-4 hour segments) in a city department, learning the workings of city government by participating in the process.
- Work with the Economic Development Department in meeting with local businesses to find out how the city government works for them and gather input on how the government can do a better job. Report on those findings in a City Council Meeting.
- Volunteer at events, including parades and local ribbon cuttings as ambassadors of the city.
- Plan and implement a service project to take place during their year as Ambassador, including coordinating with our Public Information Officer to ensure community awareness of the service project.
- Work with their high school to promote government involvement at the youth level and submit a report on how this was done.
- Provide leadership and mentoring at Youth Council Meetings, including arranging speakers and other presentations to educate the YC in government processes.

Application Requirements:

- Youth must be high school seniors or in the year after high school graduation and must have served on the Youth Council for at least 2 years previously.
- Youth must write a proposal for the service project they will plan and implement during their year as Ambassador.
- Youth must provide two letters of recommendation from their Youth Council Advisor and/or Council Advisor as well one from either your school, employer, neighbors, friends, ecclesiastical leaders, etc.
- Youth must participate in a panel interview.
- Youth must commit to participating in all YA events throughout the year.
- Minimum grade point average of 3.0 (copy of transcript should be included in packet)
- Oral interview by selection panel
- Must reside in Taylorsville
- Application will include a resume of previous extra-curricular activities

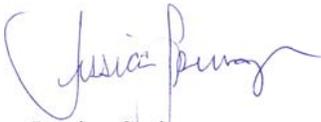
Ambassadors will be chosen by a selection panel made up of the Mayor, one member of the City Council, one representative from a Taylorsville secondary school, one resident, and one member of a local service organization.

Four youth will be chosen; two males and two females and can only serve for one year, term will be from January to August 2014.

Youth who successfully complete their year as Ambassadors will receive a scholarship to their university of choice or as reimbursement for school expenses like housing and/or books.

Please submit all the material requested above in a large envelope with your name printed on the front. Please include the signed application (pg. 3 of this letter) with your other documents. Submit all of your documents to the City Council Coordinator at City Hall no later than Friday, November 15, 2013 at 5:00pm. (You can also turn it in to the 2nd floor receptionist who will make sure it gets to the correct place).

Thank You,



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Youth Ambassador Application 2014
Deadline – December 16, 2013

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

Cell Phone _____ Can you receive Texts? (Y / N) Home Phone _____

High School Attended _____

How Many Years on Taylorsville Youth Council _____

E-mail Address _____

Employer (if applicable) _____

We acknowledge that the applicant has received, read, and understands the attached requirements for selection of Taylorsville Youth Ambassadors. We understand that there will be an oral interview by a selection panel.

Applicant

Parent or Guardian

Date _____