

## National Youth Advisory Council Application and Instructions

Keep America Beautiful is accepting applications for the 2018-2019 National Youth Advisory Council through June 8, 2018. This is a unique opportunity for ten (10) high school students (15-18 years old) from diverse backgrounds across the nation to participate in a service-learning and leadership development program. Participants will contribute to and inform KAB on programs while acting as ambassadors and leaders for youth service in their communities. YAC members will produce materials to distribute to the KAB affiliate network and participate in the KAB National Conference. Members will serve as ambassadors and represent KAB within their community.

The National Youth Advisory Council creates a framework for youth engagement. KAB is seeking to infuse the youth voice into our programs and build on the model of youth leadership seen in our local and state affiliates. ALL applicants will have an opportunity to serve with the YAC network and to create local youth councils. The National Youth Advisory Council will provide youth with the opportunity to:

- Engage in creative work with a nonprofit organization focused on litter prevention, beautification and community greening and waste reduction and recycling
- Partner with like-minded youth with unique perspectives from across the country
- Inform KAB on programs while learning about approaches for engaging youth in community service
- Act as a service-learning ambassador in their community and state by playing a leadership role in engaging youth in service and service-learning

Youth interested in applying must meet the following criteria:

- Be between 15-18 years old by June 1
- Be enrolled in public or private high school (in grades 10, 11 or 12) in September 2018
- Be a resident and citizen of US, US Territories, or Canada
- Be able to commit to a term from July 2018 - June 2019 including 1-hour monthly conference calls
- Be available for an in-person or conference call training during Summer 2018
- Be available via phone and internet for monthly webinar meetings with fellow Council members
- Be able to provide feedback and participate in program evaluations

To learn more about Keep America Beautiful visit [www.kab.org](http://www.kab.org). Applications accepted through June 8, 2018 8:00 pm EST. If you need assistance please contact Tom Morales at [tmorales@kab.org](mailto:tmorales@kab.org) or 203.659.3044.

**WE RECOMMEND** that you download the application to plan your answers (PDF Application) and learn more about current Youth Advisory Council members at this site - [YAC](#). Once application is started it has required fields and cannot be saved to continue. **PLEASE** plan to be able to complete all of the application at one time.

Criteria for selection will include, but not be limited to, geographic location, writing ability, leadership skills demonstrated, ability to commit time to serve on council, and focus area distribution.

## Contact Information

Please provide contact information for applicant in question 1. Parent/Guardian Information will be requested in the next section under question 2.

### \* 1. Applicant Information

Name:

Address:

City/Town:

State/Province:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Grade Level as of 9/1/18: (Please type  
Sophomore, Junior or Senior)

### \* 2. Parent/Guardian Contact Information

Parent/Guardian Name:

Address:

City/Town:

State/Province:

Country:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

### 3. School Contact Information:

Principal:

Address:

City:

State//Province:

Country:

Zip Code:

\* 4. Briefly describe your school including whether it is public, private, charter, or home. Does your school have an outdoor learning area? Is the school in a rural, suburban or urban area?

\* 5. How did you hear about the KAB National Youth Advisory Council?

- KAB Affiliate
- KAB Program Participant
- Boys and Girls Club
- KAB Partner
- School official
- Boy Scouts
- Other

Other (please specify)

## General Questions

**The following questions will assist Keep America Beautiful in determining your interest in serving as a member of the Youth Advisory Council.**

6. The mission of Keep America Beautiful is "to inspire and educate people to take action every day to improve and beautify their community environment." We are the nation's leading community improvement organization with a vision that all communities will be clean, green and beautiful. We focus in three areas: end littering, improve recycling, and beautify America's communities. In what order do you rank your interest these focus areas with 1 being highest interest.

Rank 1, 2 or 3

End Littering

Improve Recycling  
(Waste Reduction)

Beautifying Communities

\* 7. Describe a service project, initiative, or program that you have been involved with in your school or community. Please be specific in describing the scope and impact of project, and how you are/have been involved including leadership skills used or developed.

8. Choose one issue that you are passionate about which is related to the KAB mission and focus areas. What inspires your commitment to this issue?

\* 9. Are you a member of the school environmental club?

- Yes
- No, we don't have a club
- No

10. If you answered yes to the previous question, what is the name of the group(s) and describe your role?

\* 11. Are you a member of your school's student council/government or other local youth organizations?

- Yes currently
- Yes in past
- No

12. If you answered yes to the previous question, what is the name of the group(s) and describe your role?

\* 13. Are you a member of a state youth council?

Yes

No

14. If you answered yes to the previous question, what is the name of the group(s) and describe your role?

\* 15. Are you a member of a national youth council?

Yes

No

16. If you answered yes to the previous question, what is the name of the group(s) and describe your role?

17. Using boxes below, please list up to three additional leadership roles/positions you have held or awards you have received. Include dates, names of awards or organization.

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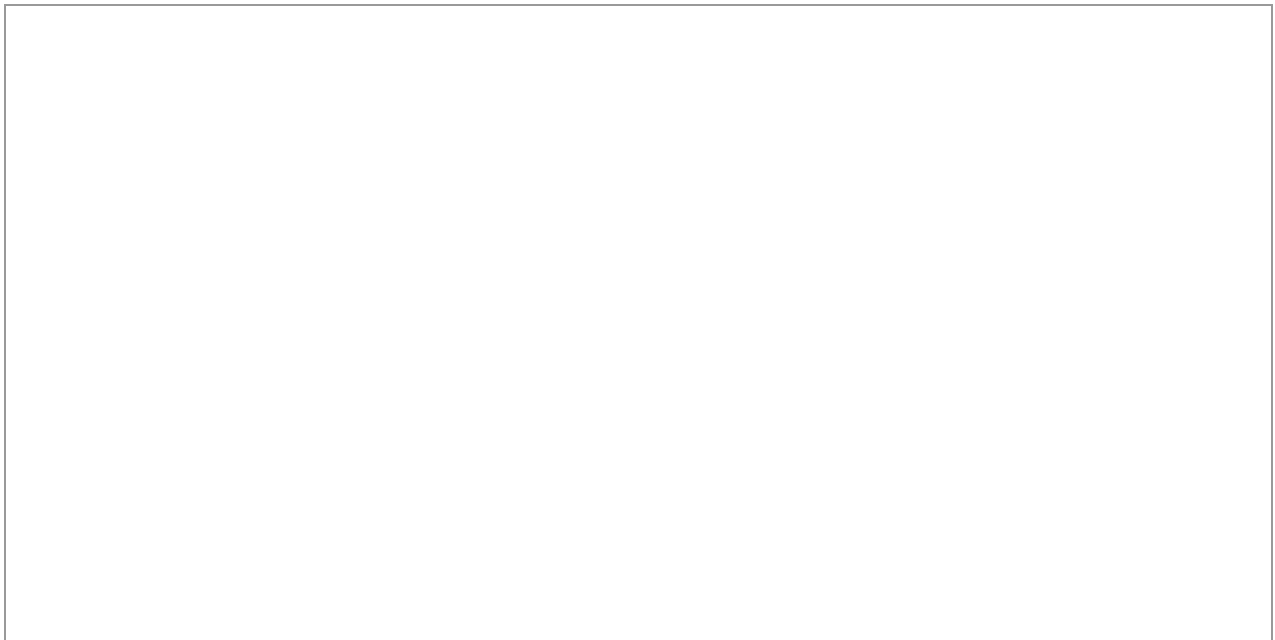
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18. Create a Project: One of the responsibilities of the Youth Advisory Council is to identify ways for KAB and affiliates to engage youth participation. If you were to create a service project to celebrate or promote the mission of Keep America Beautiful in the areas of litter prevention/clean community, beautification/community greening and/or waste reduction/recycling, what would it look like?

Make sure to demonstrate your creativity and include as many of the following as possible:

- A brief description of the project and why you would do this specific project
- Who the service project would benefit
- What organization(s) could partner on your project
- How you would promote your service project
- How you would gather resources or fundraise to support your project
- How you would recruit volunteers and how would you engage youth that have traditionally not been engaged
- What are the anticipated outcomes or the impact of your project



## Consent and Release

**By clicking "Submit" below, you agree to the terms as outlined in the program overview and attest to the truthfulness of the information provided.**