Mayor’s Youth Council

Goal: Develop youth led activities that engage youth as leaders and decision makers.

The main target population is students that are on or above grade level. This is an extra-curricular activity that is meant to provide young people with additional opportunities and support to give them the skills they need to fully develop as leaders and decision makers. Students will have the opportunity in a non-instructional environment to develop the skills and attributes needed to be successful in life such as responsibility, integrity, critical thinking and problem solving skills. We will also focus on self-awareness, empathy, self-confidence, empowerment and self-advocacy and self-care.

OVERARCHING PROGRAM GOALS

This group is meant to be student driven.

To equip students with the tools necessary to address adversity, resolve conflict, while standing up for oneself, their community and their values.

We will support students in creating positive social development and relationships between peers, family and mentors.

To provide students with a safe place to converse, speak for oneself, listen with an open mind, and collaborate with the many voices of students at the local, county and state level.

Encourage students to take risks, get involved, and try new activities to develop leadership skills.

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- Leadership
  - What is a leader?
  - What type of leaders are you?
- Community Based Service Learning (Volunteering)
- Soft skills
Teamwork

Problem solving

Communicating in a multicultural setting

• Student driven project i.e. vaping

Recent Activities

• Thanksgiving Food Drive
  ○ Help White Plains families in need

• Holiday Gift Drive
  ○ Supporting White Plains families

• Albany Trip
  ○ Virtual meetings with local elected officials

• Collaboration with other groups
  ○ Virtual meetings on a variety of topics, i.e. racial inequality

• Cup cake decorating
  ○ Just a fun activity to destress