

# Minister's Youth Council Application Package

## Message from the Minister

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As Minister of Education, my main priority is to listen. I am lucky to have 700,000+ of the brightest minds in the province to guide my work – youth like you. It is important to me to maintain an open line of communication with everyone who has a role in our province's education system, and your input is invaluable.

Are you eager for opportunities to build your leadership skills and develop experience? Do you want to make an impact on education and leave a legacy that will last well into the future?

I am looking for approximately 40 junior and senior high school students to provide advice as part of my Minister's Youth Council. Members will have the opportunity to make an impact on education, build their leadership skills at the provincial level and leave a legacy that will last well into the future.

This council will be composed to ensure a diverse range of interests, identities, backgrounds and perspectives from all regions of Alberta are heard.

I can't wait to get started and I encourage you to apply!

Honourable Adriana LaGrange  
Minister of Education

**2021-2022 Minister's Youth Council Application Package**

**Student and Parent/ Legal Guardian Personal Information - This section must be completely filled in. Alberta Education, for the purposes of the Minister's Youth Council Application Package, will collect consent in electronic format.**

The personal information collected on this form is collected pursuant to section 33(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (RSA 2000, C. F-25)* for the purpose of selecting members of the Minister's Youth Council and administering the Minister's Youth Council program. Questions or inquiries regarding the collection of your personal information may be directed to the Director, Strategic Engagement Branch, 6th Floor, 10044 -108 Street, 44 Capital Boulevard, Edmonton, AB T5J 5E6 or by telephone at 780-643-9401. (Dial 310-0000 to be connected toll-free from outside the Edmonton area.)

Surname		Preferred Name(s)	
Student Contact Number (cell, if applicable)			
Student Email Address			
Home Address			
City/Town	Province	Postal Code	
School		School Authority	
Birthdate		Grade (as of September 1, 2021)	
Surname(s) (Parent/ Legal Guardian)		First Name(s) (Parent/ Legal Guardian)	
Parent Phone Number(s)		Email Address(es)	

**Parent/Guardian Authorization and Declaration:**

- I confirm that I am the parent/legal guardian of the child identified above.
- I confirm the information provided by my child in this Application Package is accurate, complete, and truthful.
- I have read and understand the Minister’s Youth Council Fact Sheet.
- I consent to my child participating in the application process for the Minister’s Youth Council.
- I understand that if my child is selected to participate in the Minister’s Youth Council, Alberta government staff will work with my child to create a public profile that will be limited to my child’s name, photo, and a brief description of my child’s skill set. This profile will be shared publicly by the Alberta government through newsletters, websites, and social media accounts to promote and advertise the Minister’s Youth Council and its activities. I further understand that a Media Release form will be required prior to my child’s public profile being disclosed by the Alberta government.

Please specify your relationship. I am the child’s <input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Guardian	Name
Signature	Date

## Student Application

To help us make a decision as to your suitability for the 2021-2022 Minister's Youth Council, please tell us about yourself. Please remember:

- The more complete your answer, the better we can learn if you would be a great contributing member.
- We are looking for a broad range of interests, experiences, identities, backgrounds, talents and perspectives, so share what makes you unique.
- **Each question has a 2000 character limit.**

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### Community:

Why do you think it is important that individuals of all ages contribute to their communities in a positive way? Tell us about your efforts to create positive change in your community through volunteering, working with or influencing others to take action. Please describe your experiences in depth, indicating your contribution and the impact of your actions.

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**Perspective:**

Everyone has a story or experiences that have shaped their values, beliefs and choices. How have your lived experiences contributed to your values and how is your perspective unique?

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**Leadership:**

Leadership is not always positional – it can also be situational. You can demonstrate leadership even if you're not the leader of a group. Describe one leadership skill you demonstrate and how it would positively contribute to the council.

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**Passion (for youth engagement and advocacy):**

What are three issues in education that are important to you, or to your fellow students? Please expand on one of these issues and why you think it is important.