



YAB By-Laws

YVC Youth Advisory Board (YAB) members are exceptional youth volunteers nominated by YVC staff to provide the youth perspective that is so important to developing a strong YVC program. Use the following By-Laws as an example to draw from as you choose criteria that fits your program.

MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS

1. Exemplary performance on past YVC projects.
2. Nomination by YVC staff member and approval of YVC program director.
3. Sustained adherence to the responsibilities listed below.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Attend monthly YAB meetings with no more than two unexcused absences. After two absences, a member's position can only be retained by a board vote.
2. Attend at least six YVC projects during the course of the program year.
3. Demonstrate an ongoing desire and ability to contribute to the achievement of the objectives set by the board.
4. Act as an ambassador and advocate for YVC in the community.
5. Participate in YVC fundraisers and special events as needed.
6. Actively recruit new youth to participate in YVC activities on an ongoing basis.

TERM LIMITS

1. Member terms last one year.
2. Member may be relieved of duty before the end of the program year by submitting a written request to the YVC program director AND fellow board members.
3. Members must reapply at the conclusion of each term and will be eligible to serve consecutively until they age out of YVC at 19 years old.

OFFICERS

1. Officer elections will be held during the first YAB meeting of the year.
2. Individuals nominate themselves for position(s) and are given the opportunity to explain to the board why they are the best candidate.
3. Voting will be by secret ballot, majority wins.
4. Officer terms last one year with the possibility of re-election for a second term. After two consecutive terms, the member may be returned to office by a two-thirds vote of the Board.
5. Termination of officers may be voluntary by written resignation to YVC program director and fellow board members, or as a result of the non-compliance to YAB responsibilities.
6. Officer vacancies will be filled by special election under these same guidelines.

AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended by majority vote of those present at any YAB meeting, provided the board was notified at least a week in advance of the proposed amendment.