



## Nomination Form

**Winnebago County Board Chairman Frank Haney** and **City of Rockford Mayor Tom McNamara** have partnered with the Winnebago County Health Department to establish a Youth Leadership Council with the following goals:

- Build leaders today
- Retain leaders tomorrow.

We need your help in recruiting students to serve on the Youth Leadership Council. Students may come from public or private high schools in Winnebago County, including Rockford, Loves Park, Machesney Park, Roscoe, Rockton, South Beloit, Winnebago, Durand, Pecatonica, New Milford, and Cherry Valley. Ideally, every school will be represented by four students – space is limited!

To become and stay a member of the Youth Leadership Council, students must be:

- Sophomores or juniors in high school (returning members may be seniors)
- Willing to complete 10 hours of community service during the school year
- Interested in learning more about leadership, public policy, community health, and local government
- Able to attend and participate in at least 80% of monthly Young Leadership Council meetings
- Self-starters with the potential to develop into future leaders of our community

As a member of the Council, students should expect to participate in the following types of activities.

1. **Advisory Meetings:** The Council has interactive, educational sessions focusing on serious community issues such as substance abuse, family violence, public safety, mental health, and other public policy matters. The sessions include discussion with the Mayor and Chairman on the issue presented. Meetings will be hosted by the Chairman and Mayor at their administrative offices in downtown Rockford. An advance schedule will be provided.
2. **Project Meetings:** The Council members will engage in community projects related to the advisory meeting issues discussed. The Council may also consider projects of their own conception.
3. **Special Events:** Members will be invited to serve as volunteers and/or honorees at community meetings and events.
4. **Community Service:** In addition to participating in projects and events, members will represent the Council as a volunteer as part of programs or activities that benefit the community.

**Who can nominate a young leader?** Nominations will be accepted from teachers, principals, coaches, community leaders, elected officials, or similar. *Nominations by immediate family members will not be accepted.*

**Questions?** Contact Youth Leadership Council facilitator **Alyssa Lazzerini** at the Winnebago County Health Department, (815) 720-4191 or [alazzerini@wchd.org](mailto:alazzerini@wchd.org).



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**Nomination Form**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Relationship to Student:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**About the nominee:**

What makes this student a leader among their peers?

What do you believe the student will gain by participating in the Council?

What do you believe the student will contribute to the Council?

Nominator has discussed Youth Leadership Council expectations with the nominated young leader? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

**Return nomination forms** by September 5, 2018 to Youth Leadership Council Facilitator Alyssa Lazzerini at the Winnebago County Health Department at [alazzerini@wchd.org](mailto:alazzerini@wchd.org) or WCHD, 555 N. Court St., Rockford, IL 61103. For more information, call (815) 720-4191.



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