



CITY OF WEIRTON YOUTH COUNCIL APPLICATION PACKET

The City of Weirton's Youth Council (WYC) provides our youth a means of communication directly to the Mayor and City Council to learn about City policies, procedures, and governmental workings. This Council provides an opportunity to advise the Mayor and City Council on issues and concerns facing our youth today. Weirton Youth Council efforts are designed to engage our youth in civic and community initiatives that contribute to our thriving city. Students will have opportunities to develop their leadership skills through community engagement activities and to advocate for youth in community matters.

The WYC is comprised of students from 7th, 8th, and 9th grades who live in Weirton, including public, private, and home schools. Regularly scheduled meetings of the Weirton Youth Council are held once monthly, with additional meetings and volunteer activity opportunities to be offered at a later date. The WYC will participate in community service projects, receive hands-on learning of the operations of various City departments, and have the opportunity to voice youth-related concerns. Meeting days and times are subject to change. Participants are required to attend three Regular Council meetings during their term on the WYC. Transportation arrangements to and from the meetings are the responsibility of the student/guardian.

Each student who completes the WYC program will earn a certificate of completion from the Mayor and City Council and a letter of recommendation at the request of the student. Hours at all activities and meetings will be logged as volunteer hours. A graduation event will also take place in May, 2026.

The application deadline is Friday, September 26, 2025. Applications must be submitted by email to Brandy Brock at bbrock@cityofweirton.com or mailed to Weirton City Building, Attn. City Manager/Mayor Office, 200 Municipal Plaza, Weirton, WV, 26062. Once applications are received, they will be reviewed and selected by a committee, with the name of the student redacted. If your child is selected, you will receive an email by **Friday, October 3, 2025**. Should you have questions, please contact Brandy Brock, Administrative Assistant to the offices of the Mayor and City Manager, at (304)797-8500, ext. 1002.



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Name: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Parent Phone: _____

Child Cell (if applicable): _____ T-Shirt Size (Adult Sizing) _____

Parent Email: _____ Child Email: : _____

Eligibility Requirements:

- Reside within Weirton
- Currently enrolled in 7th, 8th, or 9th grade (any school or homeschool as long as you live in Weirton)
- 2.0 Minimum Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Available for listed meetings (meeting schedule subject to change)
- Have a desire to learn about city government and serve the community

1. Why do you want to serve on the Weirton Youth Council? *(completed by student)*

2. What are your expectations of the Weirton Youth Council and what do you hope to learn from this experience? *(completed by student)*

3. Reference

Please list one teacher, coach, or mentor that can be contacted for a reference:

Name

Phone

Relationship/Association

4. **Student Affirmation:** I read and understand this form and that attendance at scheduled meetings is encouraged. I also understand the importance of academics and the necessity for me to maintain or improve my Grade Point Average (GPA) while serving on the Council. I understand that transportation to and from events and meetings is my/my guardian's responsibility. I am able to make such a commitment for the year.

Student Signature

Date

5. **Parental Consent:**

I, _____ (parent/legal guardian), permit _____, to participate in the Weirton Youth Council and all activities associated with the Weirton Youth Council. I will support him/her in this endeavor. I understand I am responsible for his/her transportation to and from meetings and activities. If transportation is offered and available for specific activities related to the Weirton Youth Council, I permit said child to be transported to and from such activities.

By my signature below, I do release, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the Weirton Youth Council, the City of Weirton, its staff, officers, agents, representatives, employees, volunteers, adult chaperones, and any other participating organizations from and against any and all claims, actions, suits, or proceedings of any kind or nature related in any way to said child's participation in the Weirton Youth Council. I understand the aforesaid are not responsible/liable for Weirton Youth Council participants leaving the premises during volunteer hours. I also release Weirton's Mayor, City Council, City Manager, and City employees without limitations from damages, liabilities, penalties, costs, expenses, legal fees, and claims.

I understand upon submission of this application, my child will be considered for membership with all other applications and that my child may or may not be selected for membership. If selected as a member of the Weirton Youth Council, I understand that my child may be dismissed if he/she does not adhere to the rules and guidelines required for participation, including attendance. I understand my child is only permitted to miss one (1) required meeting and additional absences will result in dismissal.

Print Parent/Guardian Name

Relationship to Youth

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



CITY OF WEIRTON YOUTH COUNCIL SCHEDULED MEETINGS

(additional meetings may be added and meeting dates are subject to change)

All meetings at this time will take place at the Weirton Municipal Building located at 200 Municipal Plaza, Weirton WV, 26062. The welcome meeting on October 20 is **MANDATORY**. Further instructions will be sent.

Monday, October 20, 2025	6:00pm – 8:00pm <u>(MUST ATTEND)</u>
Monday, November 17, 2025	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Monday, December 15, 2025	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Monday, January 26, 2026	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Monday, February 23, 2026	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Monday, March 16, 2026	6:00pm – 7:30pm
Monday, April 20, 2026	6:00pm – 7:30pm

A WYC graduation event will take place in May.

Participants will be asked to attend at least three of the monthly Weirton City Council meetings during their term on the WYC. **The Council meeting on November 10 is MANDATORY.** Regular City Council meetings are held at the Weirton Municipal Building. The City Council meeting dates are below:

Monday, November 10, 2025	7:00pm <u>(MUST ATTEND)</u>
Monday, December 8, 2025	7:00pm
Monday, January 12, 2026	7:00pm
Monday, February 9, 2026	7:00pm
Monday, March 9, 2026	7:00pm
Monday, April 13, 2026	7:00pm