

Montana Youth and Government Program  
**Application for Committee Chair and Pro-Tem**  
Due February 15

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year in School: \_\_\_\_\_

Delegation: \_\_\_\_\_

I am applying to be a committee chair in the (check all you will accept):

\_\_\_\_\_ House \_\_\_\_\_ Senate \_\_\_\_\_ First Year House \_\_\_\_\_ First Year Senate

*All applicants are also considered for Speaker/President Pro Tempore. If you do NOT wish to be considered for these positions, check here \_\_\_\_\_*

Answer all that apply:

1. Number of years at Montana Youth and Government (not counting this year): \_\_\_\_\_
2. Positions held (Representative, Committee Chair, Page, etc.)
  
3. Please list other extracurricular activities you have participated in that you believe provide you with experience you can apply to being a Committee Chair:
  
4. Have you ever facilitated or led a meeting, committee, or similar activity? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no  
If yes, explain
  
5. Have you ever used formal Parliamentary Procedure (such as Robert's Rules of Order or Mason's Rules of Legislative Procedure)? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no  
If yes, explain

Please answer the following questions in a complete and professional manner. Use a separate sheet of paper and *please attach this form to your answers.*

1. Describe a time in your life when you put your personal opinions and feelings aside in order to act in a fair and objective manner.
2. Describe a time in your life when you effectively led a group of people and accomplished a complex task. What task did your group accomplish and what sort of "style" did you use to lead or direct the group to get the job done?
3. Describe a time when you resolved a conflict between two (or more) other people in such a way that a compromise was reached and both sides got some of what they wanted.

*(over)*

## Signatures

I hereby declare that the above and attached information is complete and truthful. I agree that, barring emergencies and unforeseen circumstances, if offered this position, I will prioritize the daytime hours the Youth and Government program meets in Helena above all other extracurricular activities. I agree to attend the Youth and Government session in its entirety and will not schedule non-emergency appointments, meetings or activities of any kind during the daytime hours the program is in session. I have my parent's permission to travel to a training session in the month prior to the Youth and Government program, and will attend. I understand that I will forfeit my committee chair position if I do not attend a training session.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I support my child's application for a leadership position, and do not know of any current scheduling conflicts that would interfere with my child's ability to accept if chosen. I also understand that, if selected, my child will need to travel to attend a Montana YMCA Youth and Government-sponsored training in the month prior to the Youth and Government session. I understand that if my child does not attend a training session, he or she will not be allowed to serve as committee chair.

Parent Signature (required) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby support the above individual's application and declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information he or she has provided is truthful.

Advisor's Signature (required) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## 2007-2008 Training Schedule

- Sunday, March 16 – Livingston (Park High School cafeteria) – noon until 3:00
- Sunday, April 6 – Helena (YMCA) – noon until 3:00

*Lunch will be served at each training session.*

All students who are selected for a committee chair or vice-chair position must attend ONE of the training sessions. **Any chair who does not attend a training session will be replaced by his or her vice-chair.**