



Northern New York Youth Philanthropy Council

An advisory committee of the Northern New York Community Foundation

Youth Philanthropy Council Member Application

The Youth Philanthropy Council (YPC) of the Northern New York Community Foundation is a student-led advisory committee whose mission is to instill the principles of philanthropy and community service in the young people of the North Country. Those who serve on YPC will be empowered to make a difference in our local communities through annual grantmaking and volunteer opportunities. YPC members will be entrusted with substantial funding from the Foundation that will allow them to have a profound impact on the quality of life in Northern New York. YPC council members are mentored by adult leaders, Community Foundation staff, and board members.

Delegates will be selected from Jefferson County schools to serve a 1-year term on the Youth Philanthropy Council for the 2026-27 school year. New council members are generally sophomores and juniors. **Please understand, as you determine your interest in applying, your schedule of academic, extracurricular, and personal commitments – both current and anticipated – will play a primary factor in your candidacy to serve on YPC.** Our expectation is to have student representatives who are committed to the program and make YPC a top priority. This includes attending evening council meetings at the Community Foundation in downtown Watertown, community activities, and additional obligations as identified by the council and adult leadership.

Please submit a complete application no later than Friday, May 29, 2026. This application should be completed in its entirety by the student applying. Candidates selected for further consideration will be required to complete a personal interview with the YPC selection committee. Interviews will be conducted on a day and time to be determined.

Please email a scanned copy of your application to emily@mnycf.org
or mail completed applications to the address below:

**Youth Philanthropy Council
c/o Northern New York Community Foundation
131 Washington Street
Watertown, NY 13601**

PLEASE PRINT **USING PEN**

Name of applicant: _____

Parent/guardian name(s): _____

Select your school district:

- Alexandria Belleville Henderson Carthage Faith Fellowship General Brown
 Homeschool Immaculate Heart Indian River LaFargeville Lyme
 Sackets Harbor South Jefferson Thousand Islands Watertown

Current grade: _____ Date of birth: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Personal Email address: _____

*Please provide an email other than your school email address as important communication will be sent over the summer

Home phone number: _____ Student cell phone number: _____

How did you hear about the Youth Philanthropy Council? (select all that apply)

- Through my school (teacher, counselor, or school event) From a friend or family member
- Social media (e.g., Instagram, Facebook) Community event or meeting
- Local newspaper or news outlet YPC alumni or current members Another nonprofit organization
- Through a YPC-related flyer, poster, or brochure Other (please specify): _____

Please list current school-based extracurricular activities below:

Activity, club, sport, etc.	Leadership position(s), if applicable:

Please list any community-based activities or paid/volunteer jobs below:

Activity, organization, job:	Estimated hours per week:

What do you hope to gain from a position on the Youth Philanthropy Council? (short answer)
