Montana YMCA Youth and Government Program

Governor's Cabinet Application Form

Due February 16

*If you are going to be a **lobbyist** at Youth and Government, you are eligible to apply for a position on the Governor's Cabinet. The Youth Governor will select up to five people to sit on his/her cabinet. Remember: lobbyists who become cabinet members must commit to the cabinet position and cannot "move over" to fill a legislative seat even if there is an opening in their delegation.*

Last Name:_____ First Name: _____ M.I. _____

Delegation:_____ Year in school: _____

Have you previously been to Youth & Government? ____Yes ____No

Positions held in Youth and Government (Representative, Senator, etc): _____

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Please read the Governor's philosophy statement (http://www.mtymcayouthandgovernment.org/current_officials.htm) and then answer the following questions (type out your answers on a separate paper):

1. Explain why you feel able and qualified to represent the Youth Governor's positions (as described in the philosophy statement) on the issues that will probably come up at Youth Legislature.
2. What would you do if you found that you DID personally disagree with the Governor on a particular bill or issue? (Do **not** say that you would never disagree. Explain how you would handle such an issue if it came up, just in case it does.)
3. Please choose one political issue, briefly state your position on that issue, but then explain the core arguments for **both** (or all) sides of the issue. *(i.e. for abortion, give both pro-life and pro-choice arguments.)*

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.

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 the Montana YMCA Youth and Government Conference in the spring.

Parent or Legal Guardian's Signature (required) _____Date _____

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

Advisor's Signature (required) _____Date _____