A statewide coalition of FNL youth, ages 14-24

2022-2023
California Youth Council
Application Packet

Submit completed application packet by August 19, 2022
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**Mark Your Calendars:**

- Completed application packets must be received by the California Friday Night Live Partnership (CFNLP) no later than August 19, 2022.
- CYC calls/meetings will occur bi-weekly for the majority of the year. CYC members and adult allies will determine the recurring call/meeting day and time together.

**Other Items to Note:**

- Commitment & full participation is a requirement and expectation for all members throughout the entire CYC year. Members should not miss more than four CYC calls/meetings throughout the year.
- Applicants are expected to be actively involved and connected with their local youth program, i.e., FNL clubs, city/county youth commission, youth council/coalition.
- Applicants are expected to have had a high level of experience with the Friday Night Live Standards of Practice to be considered.

**Submitting Your Application Packet:**

- Completed application packets should be submitted to the CFNLP no later than August 19, 2022.
- Receipt of delivery is the responsibility of the applicant.
- Applications may be submitted via email, fax, or postal mail:
  - Email to: Azulie.Wilson@tcoe.org
  - Fax to: (559) 737-4231
  - Send mail to: California Friday Night Live Partnership
    - Attn: Azulie Wilson
    - 6200 South Mooney Blvd.
    - P.O. Box 5091
    - Visalia, CA 93278-5091

**HAVE A QUESTION? CONTACT:**
California Friday Night Live Partnership
(559) 733-6496
Part 1: Application
Please PRINT legibly.

APPLICANT
Full Name: ________________________________
Preferred Name (Nickname): __________________________ Preferred Pronouns: __________________________
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): ___________ Gender: __________________ Ethnicity: __________________
E-mail Address: ___________________________ Home Phone: ___________________________
Cell Phone: ___________ Texting: Yes ☐ No ☐
Mailing Address: ___________________________ City: __________________ Zip Code: ___________
Representing County: ___________________________ Grade as of Fall 2022: _______________________

APPLICANT’S PARENTS/GUARDIANS
Full Name(s): ________________________________
Home Phone: ___________________________ Cell Phone(s): ___________________________
Primary Language(s) Spoken at Home: __________________________________________________________

SCHOOL
Name: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________
Address: ___________________________ City: __________________ Zip Code: ___________

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE
Are you an active member of Friday Night Live in your community? ☐ No ☐ Yes
If yes, in what capacity (check all that apply)? ☐ FNL School Chapter ☐ FNL Mentoring
☐ Youth Council/Coalition ☐ County Level
☐ Other: ___________________________
Name of FNL Chapter or Youth Council/Coalition: _____________________________________________
Total number of years as an FNL member: _____________________________________________
FNL County Coordinator’s Name: ___________________________________________________________
What other commitments have you made for the year?

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Do you agree to make the CYC a top priority and participate in all meetings, to the best of your ability?

☐ YES! ☐ No, I cannot make that commitment at this time.
Part 2: Nomination Form

To be completed by the FNL County Coordinator

I, ____________________________, hereby nominate ____________________________ to be a member of the 2022-2023 California Youth Council.

If this applicant is selected to be a member of the California Youth Council, adult allies will be encouraged to support their efforts to connect to statewide alcohol, tobacco, other drugs, violence prevention, and traffic safety efforts. It will also be the role of the adult ally to support their CYC member in connecting with local programs, e.g., attend local youth council meetings, connect with other young people in the community, remain connected with CYC peers and CFNLP staff, provide access to office supplies/equipment, assist in making transportation arrangements, as well as celebrate their successes. Supporting a CYC member is an amazing opportunity for an adult ally to impact a young person's life positively.

I. County Coordinator Information

Full Name: ____________________________ Representing County: ____________________________

E-mail Address: _______________________________________________________________

Work Phone: ____________________________ Fax: ____________________________

How long have you known the applicant? ___________________________________________

As the FNL County Coordinator, do you intend to be the adult ally for the applicant throughout their entire membership term? Yes ☐ No ☐

If not, who will? _______________________________________________________________
II. Questions
Use a separate sheet of paper, if needed.

1. Describe the opportunities you have had to observe this young person in a Friday Night Live leadership role and describe their leadership style, skills, and abilities.

2. Has the applicant been involved in a county-level or regional-level youth-driven program? If so, which program(s)? What role did they play (i.e., part of a county youth council, a representative on a county-wide coalition, etc.)?

3. Describe some of the projects this young person has been involved in that have focused on community change (specifically include any environmental prevention efforts).

4. Describe this young person’s experience working with a team of diverse peers and adults.
5. Why would you recommend this young person for a position on the California Youth Council?

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6. Describe the support you (or designated FNL county staff) would provide this young person, a link between statewide and local prevention efforts if they are selected to be a member of the California Youth Council.

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7. Additional Comments:

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County Coordinator’s Signature: ________________________________ Date: ___________
Part 3: Cover Letter & Résumé

To be completed by the applicant

Please complete the following on separate sheets of paper.

I. **Cover Letter:**

   a. Write a one-page, typed letter addressed to the California Friday Night Live Partnership that answers and describes the following:
      i. Why is it important to you to be a member of the California Youth Council?
      ii. What community perspective or interest would you represent on the California Youth Council (for example, small-town perspective, interest in diversity, particular experiences, etc.)?
      iii. Give an example of a project or effort to create positive change in your community that you participated in. Please describe the outcome of the project. (for example, social norms campaigns, Youth Summits, Red Ribbon Week Campaigns, etc.)
      iv. Share about any training that you have led or co-facilitated with peers or adult partners. Please give descriptions of the training, describe your role in delivering the training, and share your experiences.

II. **Résumé:**

   a. On a separate sheet, provide a 1-2 page, typed résumé with details information on the following areas:
      i. Summary of qualifications: list the talents and strengths you would bring to the CYC.
      ii. Education: what high school do you/did you attend? When are you expected to graduate? This is a good place to list your GPA and any classes of note that you have taken.
      iii. Friday Night Live Experience: what types of projects have you been involved in with your local FNL chapter/youth council? Include all school-based and community-based projects.
      iv. Work-related Experience & Extracurriculars: volunteer efforts/activities/clubs/projects/sports you have been involved in; Leadership opportunities you have had in these activities.

*Attach both your cover letter and résumé to your completed application*
Part 4: Letter of Understanding
To be completed by the applicant

I, ___________________________, understand that I am applying to become a California Youth Council (CYC) member for the 2022-2023 school year. If chosen to be a member of the California Youth Council, I understand that it will be my role and responsibility to:

- Actively participate in a local youth program, i.e., FNL clubs, city/county youth commission, youth council/coalition.
- Participate in bi-weekly calls/meetings and not miss more than four calls/meetings throughout the year.
- Represent California youth and my community at various statewide conferences and forums.
- Abide by the policies and standards established by the California Friday Night Live Partnership.
- Conduct presentations, when needed, at the statewide and local level to share the work of the California Youth Council and Friday Night Live.
- Be a leader and positive role model at all CYC functions and in my school and community.
- Maintain regular email communication.

As a CYC member, I will contact the California Friday Night Live Partnership (CFNLP) office and the CYC Project Coordinator. If I am selected, I understand that my travel and lodging expenses for CYC functions will be covered by the CFNLP. I may, however, be asked to contribute to offset my travel expenses. As a member of the CYC, I am committed to working hard while having fun!

Applicant's Name:__________________________________________________________

Applicant's Signature:______________________________________ Date: ___________
Part 5: Parent Consent
To be completed by the applicant's parent/guardian.

I understand that (CYC Applicant) is applying to become a California Youth Council (CYC) Member. If they are selected, I will support them in their work as a CYC member. As a CYC member, they would be part of a team of California youth working together to represent their peers across the state. CYC members are expected to be leaders and act as positive role models at CYC functions and in their community and school.

I understand that CYC members will attend bi-weekly meetings and about one to three in-person meetings a year.

I will support in making travel arrangements to CYC functions.

I will be responsible for signing vehicle use and medical/media release forms allowing my child to participate at CYC functions.

I realize (CYC Applicant) it is part of an effort to create positive change in California, and is applying to take on a prestigious leadership role that will help make a difference.

Parent/Guardian Name: ________________________________

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

(CYC Applicant)
Part 6: CYC Guidelines & Expectations

To be completed by the applicant

Carefully read the following guidelines and expectations for members, leaders, and staff of the California Youth Council. Should you be selected to be a CYC member, you will receive a document outlining these expectations that you will need to sign and return as part of your acceptance of the position. At this time, no further action is required beyond reading the guidelines and expectations.

➢ Commitment & full participation is a requirement and expectation for all members throughout the entire CYC year. Members must not miss more than four CYC conference calls throughout the year. Calls usually occur on the same day/time every other week. The day and time are chosen through consensus of the CYC members. The calls typically do not exceed one hour, but occasionally they do, so please allow an hour and a half.

➢ CYC members are expected to attend between 1-3 in-person meetings throughout the year. The California Friday Night Live Partnership covers all expenses. These dates are chosen through group agreement at least two months in advance.

➢ If a member misses a call/meeting or an in-person event, it is expected that they will reach out to peers and staff to receive updates.

➢ Upon joining the CYC, you become part of a dedicated team that actively participates, brainstorms, and strives to create a positive impact. Full participation is expected.

➢ Remember that you are a representative of your county and in the state. Please be mindful of what you say or post on social media.

➢ You will work with other members from different racial, socio-economic, geographic, religious, and sexual/gender identifying backgrounds. It is expected that members will always treat each other with respect and inclusivity. We have much to learn from each other.