New members being recruited now!
To be considered you must be;
Bloomfield Youth in Freshmen, Sophomore or Junior Year
Willing to commit to participating for one year - 150 to 200 hours
Maximum Participants Considered - 18

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, October 14th 2015 - 6P.M.
Social & Youth Services
330 Park Avenue, 2nd Floor, YEZ Room
If you have any questions please contact
Youth Services Coordinator, Pat Maneggia at 242-1895.

“ Incredible experience that impacts personal growth and development, great for future job and career reference, definite plus on college applications, and FUN!”

How Do We Do It?
- Advocacy – Proudly representing the youth in our community
- Building Up “Us” – Character, Social & Life Skills, Teambuilding & Leadership Training
- Resource Development – Fundraising
- Community Connections – Volunteerism
- Program Development – We plan, We organize, We implement!

Please note * Youth that are participating in more than 2 major activities (i.e. sports, after-school groups/clubs, community groups/activities) are not eligible to apply as a member but will be considered as a Friend and Associate of the BYAC.*
CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE CLUB HAVE REVIEWED THE GROUP’S MISSION AND VALUES AND HAVE COME UP WITH THESE CRITERIA FOR NEW MEMBERS.

YOUTH INTERESTED IN JOINING THE BLOOMFIELD YOUTH ACTION CLUB:
1. Must have a sincere interest in being a member of the club. Club membership is limited to 12-16 youth. There are many more youth interested in joining so members must take their role seriously and live up to expectations.
2. Must be available for monthly meetings and all scheduled activities. Members usually invest 150-200 hours from September through June. Activities may include youth advocacy events, community events, social/rec/cultural activities for other youth, philanthropy (financial support for other youth initiatives in the community,) fundraising, and community service projects.
3. Must participate in Teambuilding and Leadership Retreats held each fall and spring.
4. Desired Qualities of Members (as determined by former and current members)
   Mature*Dependable*Responsible*Team Player*Leader*Honest*Sense of Humor*Decent Social Skills*Adaptable*Person of Integrity*Willing to Live By Example*  

NEW CANDIDATES ONLY: Please share why you are interested in becoming a member of the Bloomfield Youth Action Club, why you believe you will be a successful member of this group, what special skills you have that you would bring to the group, and related experiences you have had that will contribute to your success in this group. Why do you think the staff advisors should offer you an opportunity to be a member of the Bloomfield Youth Action Club?
CANDIDATES WITH PRIOR YOUTH ACTION CLUB EXPERIENCE ONLY: Please share why you are interested in being a member of the Bloomfield Youth Action Club, what contributions you have made to the group during the time you were a member, what improvements or changes you feel you need to make to meet the expectations of club members. What assurances can you provide that you will actually make those changes? Why do you think the staff advisors should offer you an opportunity to continue or resume your membership with the Bloomfield Youth Action Club?
ALL CANDIDATES:
What other school and/or community activities/groups, will you be involved with during this school year? _____________________________________________________________

Will you consistently participate in the scheduled activities of the club, many of which will take place during weekend hours? _____________________________________________________________

Attend BYAC monthly meetings, usually the 2nd Wednesday of each month? ______

Do you have reliable transportation available to you, to get you to-and-from scheduled activities? ___

Students in the club are expected to be in good academic standing at school. Are you personally committed to your academic success? _____

Students in the club are expected to conduct themselves with a sense of personal responsibility, respect and integrity. Do you consider yourself to be in good character standing with; your family? _____ your peers? _____ your school? _____ your community? _____

REFERENCES: Please provide the names of 2 individuals and their contact information, that will provide a recommendation for you to become a member the Bloomfield Youth Action Club. The individuals should not be personal references such as friends or family. You might consider; teachers, school administrators, counselors, coaches, employers, supervisors at places where you may have volunteered, pastors/advisors from a community of faith, club leaders or advisors. (Hint – It is always recommended that you contact the people you wish to provide a reference/recommendation, and ask if they approve of you doing so, before you submit their names in writing.)

Reference 1 Name: ____________________________ Title: __________________________
How does this individual know you? __________________________________________
Agency/ Organization/School your reference is from ____________________________
Address: ____________________________ How long has this person known you? ________
Business Phone Number(s) ____________________________ __________________________

Reference 2 Name: ____________________________ Title: __________________________
How does this individual know you? __________________________________________
Agency/ Organization/School your reference is from ____________________________
Address: ____________________________ How long has this person known you? ________
Business Phone Number(s) ____________________________ __________________________

Please bring completed application to Social & Youth Services, 2nd Floor, 330 Park Avenue, no later than Friday, October 2nd, 5p.m.. If you have any questions, please call Pat Maneggia, Youth Services Coordinator at 860-242-1895.
BLOOMFIELD YOUTH ACTION CLUB

Advisors

Pat Maneggia, M.S.W. - Youth Services Coordinator
Ms. Yolanda Jenkins
Mr. Mark Mitchell

Mission and Values

The Bloomfield Youth Action Club is committed to proactive efforts that strengthen and empower youth in their families, schools and community.

The Bloomfield Youth Action Club promotes and recognizes:
1. Understanding, tolerance and acceptance of people and/or beliefs that differ from our own.
2. Self-respect, dignity, and integrity for all humanity.
3. Equal and just treatment for all people.
4. Youth participation, communication, interaction, and involvement with community partners.
5. Youth as valued individuals, family members, students and citizens.