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Parish Youth Council Seeking Applicants

The Lafourche Parish Youth Council is actively seeking participants 15 through 17 years of age to serve.

The Youth Council was created in 2005, but has never officially met due to a lack of members. The intent of this council is to serve in an advisory capacity to the Lafourche Parish Council. This is only an advisory board and does not actually control any funding.

The Youth Council is comprised of nine (9) representatives selected respectively by the nine Parish Councilmen. Several of these seats are currently vacant, some due to the representatives reaching 18 years of age.

Along with the representatives from each district, two (2) officers are appointed by the Parish President: a Youth Council President and a Secretary. These officers must be 18 years of age or older and are non-voting members. Ron Sapia, who was appointed President shortly after Youth Council's inception in 2005, continues to serve, but Kali Boudreaux, who was originally appointed Secretary by Parish President Charlotte Randolph, has since resigned.

Sapia was part of the movement that created the Youth Council and says he would like to see all the positions filled soon so that the board can finally meet. "We really want to encourage high school students, especially 15- and 16-year-olds, to contact their councilman about serving on the Youth Council," said Sapia. "We had a good initial response from the council (in 2006), but some of the seats now need to be filled."

Any high school student from the age of 15 through 17 interested in becoming a member of the Lafourche Parish Youth Council is encouraged to contact their respective Parish Councilman about serving on the board. Anyone presently serving on student council, seeking a degree in law or government, or wanting to be a "leader" is encouraged to join. The contact information for each councilman can be found on the parish website at <http://www.lafourchegov.org>.

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Direct link for the Councilmen Contact Information Page:
http://www.lafourchegov.org/LPC_List.aspx