

Your chance to apply for the Premier's Youth Advisory Council, Tasmania

The Premier's Youth Advisory Council (PYAC) provides young people an opportunity to meet with the Tasmanian Premier and the Minister for Education, Children and Youth to discuss ideas on how we can make Tasmania a better place. We welcome your application to join the PYAC, and we encourage all young people to apply. We want to hear from a diverse range of young people.

We ask members on the PYAC to join us for **two years**. Meetings are usually held **three times a year** in Hobart or Launceston **on Saturdays**, with **online participation options** for young people living in regional or remote areas.

Read this before starting

Please make sure you have read the How to Apply and FAQs sections on the PYAC webpage before you begin.

Your details will remain confidential and will only be used for PYAC member selection and planning purposes.

It's okay to have help completing this application if needed.

You will not be able to save your answers and return later, so please keep this window open until you have finished.

It will take about 10-15 minutes to complete the form. We recommend you draft your answers first, then paste these into the text boxes; otherwise it could take you longer or you might lose your work.

What questions will I need to answer?

Short written answers

- Who are you, and what's important to you?
- Why do you want to be a member of the PYAC?
- What would you contribute to the PYAC?

Video response (preferred, or short written response)

- What do you think is the most important topic for young Tasmanians over the next two years?

Please note, fields marked with * must be completed.

Contact details - Premier's Youth Advisory Council

Please contact us if you have any questions, need more information or have any issues completing your application form, including sharing your video:

Phone: 03 6232 7676 or 03 6232 7701 (Monday to Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm)

Email: youthadvisorycouncil@dnac.tas.gov.au

Applicant details

1. First name *

2. Last name *

3. Preferred name

4. Age *

Applicants **must be aged between 12 and 24 years (inclusive)**. You will not be able to apply if you are aged 11 or under, or aged 25 or above.

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5. Date of birth *

Please enter your date of birth using numbers below. Please note that this may display differently depending on the device you are using.

6. Gender

- Female
- Male
- Non-binary
- Prefer not to say
- Other

7. Preferred pronouns

- She/Hers
- He/His
- They/Their
- Other

Contact details

To keep you in the loop about your application and its outcome, please provide your contact details below. If you don't have your own, feel free to use your parent or guardian's details instead.

The contact details you provide will only be used to get in touch with you about the PYAC. Your information won't be used for anything else – we respect your privacy.

8. Street address *

9. Suburb *

10. Postcode *

The value must be a number

11. Email address *

12. Contact number, eg mobile, landline (without spaces) *

The value must be a number

Parent / guardian consent

If you are aged under 18 and your application is successful, your parent or guardian will need to provide written consent for you to be part of the PYAC. This includes if you are living independently.

Please contact us at youthadvisorycouncil@dpac.tas.gov.au if you have any questions.

13. I understand I will need written permission from my parent or guardian to be part of the PYAC if I am aged 17 years or under. *

- Yes
- No
- Unsure
- Not applicable - I am aged 18 or over

Working With Vulnerable People Registration

If you are aged 16 or over, you will be asked to apply for a Working With Vulnerable People Registration. The Department of Premier and Cabinet will cover the cost of your registration and will supply details of how to apply if your application is successful.

14. I understand I will need to apply for a Working With Vulnerable People Registration to be part of the PYAC if I am aged 16 years or over. *

- Yes
- No
- Unsure
- Not applicable - I am under 16 years old

Participation details

To make sure that we've got a good mix of people, we're interested in hearing what you're up to – school, work or any other relevant things that you're into. It'll help us get to know you better and understand the perspectives you bring to the table!

15. I am currently:

Please tick all that apply

- at school
- undertaking home schooling
- undertaking vocational education and training (VET)
- at university
- working (this includes apprenticeships or traineeships)
- Other

16. If at school, what is your year level?

Year 5

Year 6

Year 7

Year 8

Year 9

Year 10

Year 11

Year 12

Year 13

17. What is the name of your school?

Membership information

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18. Is there anything we should know to make it easier for you to join our meetings?

Please tick all that apply

- I have limited transport options
- I have physical needs
- I have mental or emotional needs
- I would need a support person
- I would need to attend meetings online participation
- Other

Application for the Premier's Youth Advisory Council

We invite you to tell us more about yourself and why you want to join the PYAC.

You are asked to provide **short written responses to the three questions below (200 words or less) and a video response** to the question 'What do you think is the most important topic for young Tasmanians over the next two years?'

If you can't do a video you can answer this question in writing instead.

Tips

Think about how the **knowledge, interests and experiences you have gained from school or training, employment, involvement in community or specific interest groups, activities and personal experience would help you to contribute to the PYAC, for example, if you are:**

- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
- gender diverse
- from a culturally diverse background
- living with disability
- living in regional or remote Tasmania.

Format

1. Short answers (3 questions, 200 words or less):

Think about what motivates and interests you.

2. Video response (two minutes or less; written option available):

Videos do not have to be high quality and can be filmed on a smartphone or other device. Please reach out to a teacher, parent or friend for advice if you need to.

You will be prompted to upload your video to OneDrive. If you have any issues or questions about uploading your video, please reach out to us at youthadvisorycouncil@dpac.tas.gov.au.

You can write a short answer if you can't provide a video (200 words or less).

19. Who are you, and what's important to you? (200 words or less) *

20. Why do you want to be a member of the PYAC? (200 words or less)

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21. What would you contribute to the PYAC? (200 words or less) *

22. Do you have a video to include with your application? *

Select Yes if you are going to provide a video; otherwise select No if you are going to write a short answer.

Yes

No

23. If you selected 'No' above, please provide a written response to the question: What do you think is the most important topic for young Tasmanians over the next two years? (200 words or less)

Video application

Click on the button below to upload your video to OneDrive. Your video should be a 2-3 minute response to the question, "What do you think is the most important topic for young Tasmanians over the next two years?"

If you have any questions, please contact us at youthadvisorycouncil@dpac.tas.gov.au.

Please upload your video to OneDrive using the link below.

- <https://www.dpac.tas.gov.au/pyac-video>

This link will open in a new tab, please upload your video and then close the tab when you're ready to return to this form.

Final steps

Checklist – please review your application

Before you submit your application, please check the following:

- all your details are correct and complete
- you have answered the three short answer questions
- you have shared your video (<https://www.dpac.tas.gov.au/pyac-video>) or you have included your written response.

Do not submit your application until you are ready.

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24. Feedback

We really want our processes to be easy to use and open to all young people.

Please provide any feedback or suggestions for how we could improve the application process in the box below before you submit your application.

25. How did you hear about the PYAC recruitment process? *

- Social media
- At school or university
- Word of mouth
- From a past or current PYAC member
- Newspaper
- Other

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