

East Granby Youth Action Council

Young Voices Guiding Community Choices

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP: Middle School Youth Action Council 2025-2026

Sponsored by The East Granby Youth Services Commission

East Granby Youth Services is recruiting for the 2025-2026 Middle School Youth Action Council (YAC). This program is designed to foster youth leadership and provide volunteer opportunities for its members. The council will consist of both returning and new members who commit to a year of service. Membership will be determined by Youth Services staff, and acceptance notifications will be mailed directly to students in June.

Applications are available through the East Granby Youth Services Office. For questions, please contact Program Supervisor Alicia Van Neil at 860-653-7800 or via email at aliciav@egtownhall.com. All applications must be submitted **no later than Friday, May 9, 2025**. Applications can be:

- Mailed to: East Granby Youth Services, 9 Center Street, East Granby, CT 06026
- Dropped off at the Youth Services Drop Box, located at 79 North Main Street, East Granby (at the beginning of the ramp to the Sears House, the white building on the left as you enter the parking lot)
- Emailed to: eastgranbyyouthservices@gmail.com in PDF or Word format only

Try-It Night

Each year, we host a "Try-It-Night" to give interested students the opportunity to experience what it's like to be a member of the Youth Action Council. This year, Try-It Night is on **Wednesday**, **April 30**, **2025**, **from 5:00 to 6:00 PM**. Students will participate in group activities, while parents meet with the Middle School Facilitator to learn more about the program. If a student is unable to attend Try-It Night, they must attend the Middle School YAC meeting on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at 4:30 PM at the East Granby Community Center.

The YAC's goals are to:

- **IMPROVE** our community by identifying needs and service opportunities
- SUPPORT our community through volunteer work
- LEAD by planning and executing community projects
- INSPIRE others as ambassadors of the YAC
- Drive **POSITIVE CHANGE** in our community

Highlights from the 2024-2025 year:

- Created and implemented a mentorship program with 3rd graders at R.D. Seymour School
- Developed the Earth Day Celebration
- Hosted the annual Great Skate event
- Learned about local organizations such as the Veterans Group and Nourish My Soul
- Volunteered at multiple town events, including Halloween and Easter celebrations
- Volunteered at the Friend-to-Friend Food Pantry

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