

## YOUNG D.C. STAFF APPLICATION

Be sure to review the LEADERSHIP APPLICATION to learn the duties of YDC's teen editors and managers.

### Details, Details, Details

Now 25 years old, Young D.C. is the independent voice of young people (ages 13 to 19) in the metropolitan area. The volunteer staff strives to produce nine 16-page issues of the newspaper each year. Not all staff members work on each and every issue.

We schedule YDC meetings every second and fourth Saturday of the month at 1 p.m. in the newsroom. Please note that several SAT and ACT test dates fall on YDC meeting dates. Be sure to check with editors about possible rescheduling.

Visiting the newsroom on other days is encouraged. It has good resources and is an intern site for teens from high schools in D.C., Maryland and Virginia.

When we publish issues in print, Young D.C. can be found in coffeehouses, restaurants, bookstores, libraries, public and private high schools, self-service businesses, print and broadcast media, non-profit organizations and social service agencies.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
School \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

[Please include city, state]

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address(es) \_\_\_\_\_

I will graduate in 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

**YES NO SOMETIMES**

I read newspapers

My favorite newspapers and magazines:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(List newspapers and/or magazines that you read on a regular basis; please add "online" if that's how you access a publication)

I read my school newspaper

(Check here  if your school does not publish a paper)

I have access to a computer and use it often

You can count on me to attend staff meetings on second and fourth Saturdays

My school may  may not  allow me to intern at YDC.

I have a job and work \_\_\_\_\_ hours a week.

The last book I read was:

\_\_\_\_\_

One word that describes how I feel about using public transportation:

\_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in learning about

(select as many as you wish)

- photography    reporting                       web development                       writing
- cartooning     graphic design                       other \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to come to the YDC office to work on stories and/or

- photography    reporting                       homework                       updating the website
- cartooning     graphic design                       other \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in pursuing

\_\_\_\_\_ in school and beyond.

My extra-curricular activities include the following clubs/teams/organizations:

\_\_\_\_\_

Please give the name and phone number of someone familiar with your journalism experience or interest in journalism. \_\_\_\_\_

My Signature

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

**Writers**

Attach clips if you have them. Also attach a statement of 200 to 300 words. It should **illustrate your writing ability**, and **tell why you are interested in working with teens from diverse backgrounds to produce an independent newspaper**. Please provide additional information you feel is appropriate.

Columnists tend to be experienced YDC reporters. However, success as a blogger, website contributor or other media contributor may help you garner a column. Columns start with the interests and talents of teens. Computer-related **Cyberian Tyger** and food review column **Tastebuddy** appear in the *Lifestyle* section. **Omnivorous Reader**, a book review column, appears in the *Entertainment* section.

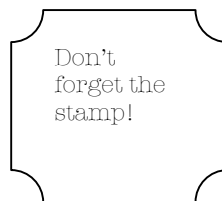
Editorials appear on the *Viewpoints* page. A writer of a *Viewpoints* submission must demonstrate the ability to produce a news story on the topic of the opinion piece.



Questions? Call the newsroom (202) 232- 5300 or e-mail us: [newsroom@youngdc.org](mailto:newsroom@youngdc.org).

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