




# Youth Governance Program (YGP)




**11 Students**  
**4 Schools**  
**10 Mentors**

## Why Did You Join YGP?




## YGP Students Have.....

- » Presented **resolutions** at their committee meetings!
- » **Written and starred** in a short, informational video for how Dane County residents can get involved in local government!
- » Worked on a **racial equity** curriculum!



## What is Your Favorite Part About YGP?



## Highlights from Students



My mentor gave me an experience with YGP that I can never forget! She was so friendly and warm! She explained everything patiently and helped me feel comfortable with participating

My friends often ask me about YGP because I mention it as a commitment I have, and they all seem very interested and awed by the level of input I get to have in our local government.

### Highlights from Students Cont.

I learned about how to write/listen to more formal and parliamentary speaking and writing.

I was very honored to have Dave! And I'm very glad to hear he enjoyed having me as well, I hope to have him again :)

I learned how to be professional, especially with adults.

Gabby was amazing at keeping a warm and upbeat attitude. She made meetings feel happy and it was a very friendly experience overall

### Highlights from Mentors


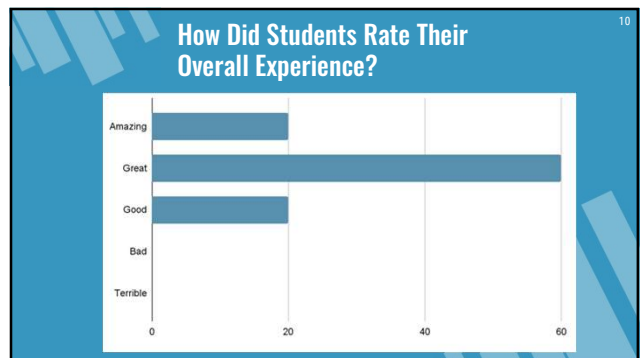


I love my mentee. we will maintain our connection into the future.

It's a great program, wish I had more time to invest in it!

### How Did Support Look This Year?

- 80% of students indicated they got enough support from their mentors
- 100 % of students indicated they got enough support from their YGP facilitator
- 100% of mentors felt they received enough support





### Areas for Improvement

- Committee Meetings** – Students indicated a barrier in having trouble understanding the content of some of their meetings & also expressed having trouble in feeling like they could participate. Students suggest having committees ask students if they have any questions.
- Mentor Support**- Some mentors do not have as much time to be proactive with students as much as others. Students suggest getting mentors who love being with kids and have the time to devote to it.
- Busy Students**- Some mentors found it challenging to meet with students one-on-one due to busy schedules.

## Looking Towards The Future

YGP '22 - '23



**APPLY TO THE YOUTH GOVERNANCE PROGRAM**

**Why YGP?**  
Learn about how local government functions by serving as members of Duane County Board of Supervisor Committees & Bring youth voice to local government decisions!


**How to Apply?**  
We are now accepting applications for 2022-2023! Deadline to apply is June 30th. Contact [balza.gabriella@countyofduane.com](mailto:balza.gabriella@countyofduane.com)



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### YGP '22 - '23 *Timeline*

- » **June 30th** Applications Due
- » **July 11th** 2nd Round Candidates Notified
- » **August 8th - 17th** 2nd Round Interviews
- » **August 23rd** Present Candidates to Ext Cmte
- » **September 1st** Orientation



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### Questions?

