



**City of Rochester Hills
Youth Representative Application
for City Council Communication Committees**

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The Rochester Hills City Council has established a Youth Representative Position on each of its five Communication Committees. The committees discuss, review and study policies and/or administrative issues to provide recommendations to the City Council, the Mayor and Administrative Staff. You must be a resident of the City of Rochester Hills to apply.

Profile Information: *Please type or print using black ink.*

Student Name: David Byrne Birthdate: 7/13/88 Age: 15

Street Address: 3473 Charlwood

City: Rochester Hills State: MI Zip Code: 48306

E-Mail Address (if applicable): Stevebyrne59@hotmail.com Home Phone: (248) 377-2349

Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) Name: Steve and Donna Byrne

School Name: Notre Dame Preparatory Grade: 9 Graduation Date: 2007

Principal's Name: Father Joseph Hindelang School Phone: (248) 373-5300

School Address: 300 Giddings Road

City: Pontiac State: MI Zip Code: 48340-2108

Committee Choices:

Please indicate your top three choices (1 being first) of which Committee you would most like to serve:

- Administration & Information Services (AIS)** reviews policy matters of general government and information services regarding communications, information technology, salaries and per diems, class C licenses, elections and municipal organization.
- Community Development & Viability (CDV)** reviews policy matters such as land development and maintenance, economic development and maintenance, and infrastructure development and maintenance.
- Financial Services (FS)** reviews policy matters of budget and financial affairs.
- Leisure Activities (LA)** reviews policies regarding city parks, Museum, Environmental Educational Center, community events and inter local recreational facilities and programs.
- Public Safety (PS)** reviews policies regarding fire protection, police protection, emergency medical service, traffic and pedestrian safety, emergency operations and civil defense.

Essay Questions:

Please type or neatly write a short essay on a separate piece of paper responding to the following questions. (500 words maximum.)

1. Please explain why you would like to be a member of a Communication Committee?
2. What personal skills and characteristics do you possess that would make you a good representative?
3. What are your interests?
4. How would you be able to schedule your time to function effectively as a youth representative?

Recommendations:

Please include two letters of recommendations (with your application and essay) from adults who know you at school and your activities out of school.

Interest Statement:

I am interested in serving on a Communication Committee for the City of Rochester Hills. I understand that this will require me to attend one meeting per month during my term.

Signed,

David Byrne

Dated: 5/31/04

I have read the above interest statement and give my permission for my son/daughter to serve as a youth representative on a Communication Committee for the City of Rochester Hills.

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature:

[Signature]

Dated: 5/31/04

Work phone (if applicable) () _____

Please return the completed application, essay and recommendations by June 1, 2004 to:

City of Rochester Hills Clerk's Office
Susan Koliba-Galeczka, City Council Liaison
1000 Rochester Hills Drive.
Rochester Hills, MI 48309

Fax: (248) 656-4744
Email: Galeczks@rochesterhills.org

The returned information will remain in the Clerk's Office and are not confidential. For additional information, please call Susan Koliba-Galeczka, City Council Liaison, (248) 841-2463.

Office Use Only:

Date Received: _____

Date sent to Committee: _____

1. I would like to be a member of a Rochester Hills City Council Communication Committee for various reasons. First, I would like to get an inside look at local politics and get a feel for how our community is run. Second, I want to try to make a difference for the teenagers in Rochester Hills and speak to officials about how we can improve our city. Plus, I like the idea of studying the way decisions are made for the teenage population and whether or not they are fair.
2. I have many skills I believe that would be good for being a representative of Rochester Hills. I am outgoing and I like to meet new people as well as talk to old friends to get opinions on issues. I am a good student maintaining over a 4.0 grade point average while still playing sports and doing other activities. I know many of the teens my age in my school as well as Rochester Hills through sports, community events, and school. Finally, I am a good decision maker and leader as I have been a captain on many athletic teams in middle school.
3. My interests include many in and out of school activities. First, I belong to the weightlifting club and have achieved a medal for weightlifting. Second, I am on the football team and participate in many other sporting events at school. My out of school interests include hanging out with my friends and playing the computer. Plus, I am a member of the Assisteens, a group affiliated with the Assistance League of Southeastern Michigan. Finally, I enjoy doing hours of community service such as helping out with my grandpa and Paint the Town.
4. Scheduling my time to fit the committee's time would be an arduous task, but I feel up to the challenge. First, I would have to budget my already full schedule to allow time in-between school, sports, and community service to go to the meetings. Second, I would have to be well informed about the time and location of every meeting to plan ahead and cancel or reschedule any prior commitments. Plus, I would have to do any assigned homework ahead of time to make sure I don't fall behind in my studies.

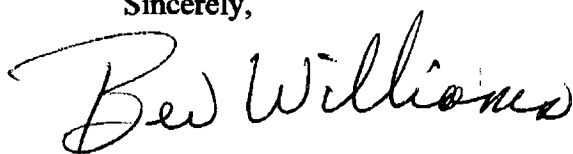
June 1, 2004

To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to recommend David Byrne as a candidate for the position of Youth Representative on one of the Rochester Hills City Council Communication Committees. I have known David for ten years and he is currently a student at Notre Dame Preparatory where I teach.

David is an excellent student and a football player at Notre Dame. David gets along well with all age groups and has high aspirations for the future. He is a serious student and intelligent young man, and he is also a very pleasant person. He can maintain a conversation with adults and has a winning personality. I give him my highest recommendations. If you have any further questions, please call 248-373-5300.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bev Williams". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "B".

Bev Williams

May 31, 2004

Letter of Recommendation for David Byrne

TO: City Council Communication Committees

FROM: Celia Runstadler

David Byrne has asked that I write a letter of recommendation to accompany his application to serve on a Rochester Hills City Council Communication Committee. David has lived across the street from me all of his life and he started cutting my lawn when he turned 13. David has mowed and edged my lawn with unfailing efficiency and punctuality. He is very trustworthy as he knows our house code so he can cut the lawn while my husband and I are at work. David is a courteous, reliable young man who works hard. I believe David will do well in whatever he undertakes, so I recommend him without reservation. If you have any questions, you are welcome to call me at 248-370-0349.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Celia Runstadler".

Celia Runstadler