



Thank you for your interest in NCACC YouthVoice! The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) and its partners, 4-H Youth Development and Boys & Girls Clubs of North Carolina are proud to sponsor YouthVoice, August 25-26, 2023, in Wake County.

We hope that you find YouthVoice to be a rewarding experience with opportunities to talk with local county officials; learn about the role of county commissioners as the governing body for counties and the county budgeting process; and develop strategies to further your leadership and communication skills.

### **CONDUCT AND DRESSCODE**

YouthVoice is held in conjunction with the NCACC's Annual Conference, and you will be attending several events with elected and appointed county officials. You are expected to conduct yourself accordingly (abiding by the N.C. 4-H Youth Development Code of Conduct, as indicated on the registration form) and dress appropriately.

For Friday's events, you will need to wear at minimum casual dress pants (khakis, for example) or dress skirt along with a YouthVoice T-shirt that you will receive upon check-in. On Saturday, more formal attire – slacks, a collared shirt, a jacket and tie if preferred – is required. Flip-flops are not acceptable at any time during the conference.

### **REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS**

In addition to [registering online](https://forms.gle/st3LbaKQQiPnCSWT8) (<https://forms.gle/st3LbaKQQiPnCSWT8>) by July 14 (note there is a form included in this packet to help you collect needed information), you need to complete two assignments prior to YouthVoice:

1. attend – and speak at – your county Board of Commissioners meeting; and
2. submit a photo of yourself with your Board of Commissioners.

You will need to contact your county's Clerk to the Board of Commissioners to request time on the Board's meeting agenda (visit [www.ncacc.org/youthvoice](http://www.ncacc.org/youthvoice) for a listing of county contacts). Work directly with your 4-H agent or Boys and Girls Club advisor to prepare your comments and for the meeting. You can speak on an issue facing youth in your county, your experience as a member of the 4-H or Boys/Girls Club program, or another topic of your choosing.

**You are strongly encouraged to request time on your Board of County Commissioners' agenda as soon as possible, as agendas can be developed weeks ahead of the meeting date. Do not wait to request agenda time.**

Tell the Clerk to the Board that you will be your county's Youth Delegate at the NCACC Annual Conference and include that information in your comments to the Board. Encourage commissioners to

attend the Saturday morning Youth Involvement Breakfast and be prepared to discuss issues of importance to young people in your county.

Photos of Youth Delegates and Commissioners will be displayed on screen during the breakfast. You can submit your photo via:

- Fileshare at <https://ncacc.sharefile.com/r-r77ffaa5f83cc42deb68a9f47fdefab3a> (please rename your photo file so as to identify your name and county, or also upload a note identifying yourself and your county); or
- email at [jason.king@ncacc.org](mailto:jason.king@ncacc.org).

Submit your photo no later than August 18.

You must fill out the medical consent form and present it to your chaperone before departing for YouthVoice. The medical consent form should remain in your chaperone's possession for the event's duration. You should also keep a copy of the Multimedia Consent and Release Form. The online registration form includes a permission checkbox pertaining to public release of photos and videos taken at YouthVoice.

### **COST**

The NCACC covers the cost for this event for a select number of youth (one per county 4-H club and one per Boys & Girls Club) and chaperones. If you withdraw from the event after July 14 (without finding a substitute of the same age and gender and notifying the NCACC), or you do not attend the event, or are asked to leave for misconduct, or you do not complete the pre-event assignments by August 18, 2023, you will be required to reimburse the NCACC the cost of accommodations, meals and training expenses (\$200).

### **TRANSPORTATION**

You and your chaperone are also responsible for arranging for transportation to and from the event.

### **CONTACT**

We look forward to a great event! If you have questions, contact Jason King with the NCACC at (919) 715-0045 or [jason.king@ncacc.org](mailto:jason.king@ncacc.org).





# YouthVoice 2023

12<sup>th</sup> NCACC Youth Summit

August 25-26, 2023, Wake County

## TENTATIVE AGENDA

### Friday, August 25

*All sessions held at the Raleigh Convention Center*

2:45 – 3:30 p.m.

**Check-in window** (overnight rooms will be at either the Sheraton Raleigh or Raleigh Marriott City Center)

4 – 4:30 p.m.

**YouthVoice Orientation** (Main level – room 306)

What is YouthVoice, and why are you here? The orientation provides information about the NCACC and its involvement in youth leadership development; a welcome from NCACC President Tracey Johnson of Washington County; a look at each of the partner organizations; and an overview of YouthVoice events.

4:30 p.m.

**See the World Through ‘Real Colors’**

At one time or another, everyone reaches a point where they wonder, “Why do people do the things they do?” The answer may surprise you! Everyone has a distinct temperament spectrum comprised of four colors: Blue, Gold, Orange and Green. In this “Real Colors” session, you will learn how to quickly identify your own “color” and personal strengths, as well as that of others. Using this powerful knowledge, you can develop more effective communication skills and build better relationships by recognizing and appreciating the strengths and viewpoints of others.

County commissioners are invited to participate in the “Real Colors” training with Youth Delegates.

The session is being facilitated by Dan Clark, Director of Montana State University’s Local Government Center. An avid hiker, cross-country skier, rock and ice climber, and mountaineer, Dan is a Montana State Extension faculty member and former Mayor of the City of Choteau, Montana.

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## Friday (continued)

- 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. **Dinner (305)**
- 7:30 – 9 p.m. **Resume ‘Real Colors’**
- 9 – 10 p.m. **Youth Delegate ice cream social**

## Saturday, August 26

- 7 – 7:45 a.m. **Check out of rooms – put luggage in vehicles**
- 8 – 9 a.m. **Conference-Wide Youth Involvement Breakfast (Ballroom A&B)**  
County officials and Youth Delegates begin the day together with breakfast. Banquet tables will include county nameplates to help county officials locate their Youth Delegates.
- 9 – 10:15 a.m. **General Session with county officials: Keynote speaker Dr. Mike Haynie**  
Dr. Mike Haynie is Syracuse University’s Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives and Innovation, and the Barnes Professor of Entrepreneurship. As Vice Chancellor, Dr. Haynie leads a broad portfolio of responsibility centers and innovation initiatives, oversees government and community engagement strategies, as well as defense- and veteran-connected programs and initiatives, in addition to other duties.  
In 2011, Haynie founded Syracuse University’s D’Aniello Institute for Veterans & Military Families (IVMF), the nation’s first interdisciplinary institute created to inform and advance the policy, economic and wellness concerns of America’s veterans and families. IVMF programs serve more than 25,000 veterans annually, and the Institute is widely acknowledged as the nation’s leading academic voice related to issues impacting veterans and military-connected families.
- 10:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. **Find Your County’s ‘Bottom Line!’ (305 and 306)**  
Designed as a classic board game, “Bottom Line!” is an engaging learning tool that simulates the county budgeting process. Attendees will work together in small groups – acting as boards of county commissioners – to first decide what values are most important to their counties. The simulation then challenges groups to remember those values during scenarios that force them to choose between cutting programs/services or increasing taxes/fees in order to balance an annual budget.
- 1:15 – 2 p.m. **Lunch and Evaluation (305 and 306)**
- 2:15 – 2:45 p.m. **NCACC Business Session (Ballroom C) and adjourn**  
Three Youth Delegates will be asked to provide a report-out to counties during the Association’s annual business meeting on lessons and takeaways from YouthVoice.



# NCACC YouthVoice

## Registration for Youth Delegates

### **DUE JULY 14**



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**Use this form to collect information. All registrations must be completed online at <https://forms.gle/st3LbaKQQiPnCSWT8> no later than July 14.**

Name (first/last): \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name (for nametag): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Adult T-shirt size (circle one): S M L XL XXL XXXL

County Where You Participate in Boys & Girls Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Boys & Girls Club director: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent(s) or guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of adult you will be riding to the event with: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of adult volunteer chaperon (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Gender (for rooming purposes): \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of August 24, 2023: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in school for 2023-24 academic year: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Assignments (initial that you have completed and indicate date of completion)**

Assignment 1: Attended and spoke at a Board of County Commissioners meeting \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Assignment 2: Submitted a photo of yourself with your Board of County Commissioners \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Special Needs**

Dietary Needs: ☐ Vegetarian (eat eggs, dairy) ☐ Vegan (no eggs, dairy, animal products of any kind)

☐ Other diet restrictions (Please explain:) \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe any other special needs or accommodations that may be required to enable you to participate in this program:

☐ Yes, I understand that this event will be conducted under the North Carolina 4-H Youth Development Code of Conduct ([nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/4-H\\_codeofconduct.pdf](https://nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/4-H_codeofconduct.pdf)), and that all misconduct will be handled accordingly.

☐ Yes, I consent to permissions requested on the Multimedia Consent & Release form ☐ No, I do not give permission

I accept the opportunity to represent my county at NCACC YouthVoice 2023, to be held August 25-26 in Wake County. Because the NCACC is covering my costs for attending this event, I understand that I will be asked to pay a \$200 fee if I: (1) withdraw from the event after July 14 without finding a substitute of the same age and gender and notifying the NCACC; (2) do not attend the event; or (3) am asked to leave the event.



# NCACC YouthVoice

## *Expectations for Volunteer Chaperons*

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### **YOUTH: PLEASE PROVIDE THIS FORM TO YOUR PROSPECTIVE CHAPERON**

Thank you for your interest in serving as an adult volunteer chaperon for NCACC YouthVoice 2023! Please find below a list of your responsibilities as a chaperon for this event. If you have questions, please contact Jason King at (919) 715-0045 or [jason.king@ncacc.org](mailto:jason.king@ncacc.org).

- You must register online by July 14 to attend this event. The registration form is online at [forms.gle/st3LbaKQQiPnCSWT8](https://forms.gle/st3LbaKQQiPnCSWT8).
- YouthVoice is held in conjunction with the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners' Annual Conference, and you and the youth will be attending several events with elected and appointed county officials. You are responsible for ensuring that the youth under your watch are in their rooms at the time indicated on the agenda, and that those youths are abiding by the 4-H Code of Conduct ([nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/4-H\\_codeofconduct.pdf](https://nc4h.ces.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/4-H_codeofconduct.pdf)), as agreed upon on the registration form.
- For Friday's events, you will need to wear at minimum casual dress pants (khakis, for example) or dress skirt along with a YouthVoice T-shirt that you will receive upon check-in. On Saturday, more formal attire – slacks, a collared shirt, a jacket and tie if preferred – is required. Flip-flops are not acceptable at any time during the conference.
- Youth have been instructed to provide you with their Medical Consent Form. You will be responsible for possession of the Medical Consent Forms for the youth(s) under your watch.
- You are responsible for ensuring transportation for the youth under your watch to and from YouthVoice.
- You are expected to participate fully in YouthVoice activities and meals, and attend NCACC sessions. Your help is needed to make this event a success!





# NCACC YouthVoice Medical Consent Form

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## ***SUBMIT TO VOLUNTEER CHAPERON***

NAME OF EVENT PARTICIPANT: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_, NC ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ GENDER: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT (or guardian) NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

ALTERNATE EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide the name of your health/accident insurance carrier(s) and appropriate policy certificate number(s):

\_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF POLICY CARRIER: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR INSURANCE CARD.

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Does this student have any chronic or acute medical problems (circle one)? Y / N

Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

List any allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

List any medications being taken at present time: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT:**

My child has permission to attend the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners' YouthVoice 2023. In the event of a medical emergency while my child is participating in this event, I \_\_\_\_\_  
(parent or legal guardian) give consent for medical treatment to be provided to \_\_\_\_\_  
(minor child), including but not limited to, treatment at a hospital or other medical facility to which my minor child may be transported. I authorize the information on this form to be released to any healthcare provider. I further authorize any adult acting as an agent, volunteer, or employee of the event organizer to consent to medical care for my minor child in the event that such medical care is deemed necessary.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / 2023







# NCACC YouthVoice Multimedia Consent & Release Form

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*Complete this form and keep it on file.*

The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) and North Carolina 4-H, a youth development component of North Carolina Cooperative Extension, may use photographs, video and audio of NCACC YouthVoice participants and volunteers, and/or printed, electronic or illustrative material produced by participants for promotional, educational, public relations, marketing or accountability purposes in a number of printed or electronic formats, including:

- *CountyQuarterly*, the monthly printed publication of the NCACC that is distributed mainly to county commissioners, county staff, and State of North Carolina elected and appointed leaders;
- the NCACC's website, [www.ncacc.org](http://www.ncacc.org), and its social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Vimeo, LinkedIn, SmugMug);
- the NCACC Annual Conference program and promotional mailings; and
- 4-H newsletters, media presentations or publications produced by 4-H Youth Development or agencies contracted by 4-H in slide, photographic, audio, video, written or illustrated presentations.

In addition, photographs that include YouthVoice participants and volunteers may be distributed to County Managers' offices for possible distribution to local media outlets.

This form allows you to choose whether you consent to have your images, likeness and/or property included in photographs, and/or video and audio recordings, published or distributed by the NCACC or 4-H through the media listed above, and consent to have your name and identity revealed therein or by descriptive text or commentary.

By signing this form, you expressly release the NCACC, and North Carolina State University and its agents, employees, licensees and assigns from any and all claims that you have for invasion of privacy, right of publicity, defamation, copyright infringement, or any other causes of action arising out of the use, adaptation, reproduction, distribution, broadcast or exhibition of such recordings of your image, voice or likeness.

This consent and release is entirely optional, and participants/volunteers who do not give permission remain eligible for Youth Summit participation and for 4-H services, benefits and privileges.

☐ I consent

☐ I decline

Youth Delegate/Volunteer Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*If delegate is under the age of 18, permission of the parent or guardian is required.*

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

