

Essay Questions (Please choose one):

- Why do you want to be on the **YouthWorks** Council and what would you like to accomplish as a **YouthWorks** Council member?
- Summarize your volunteer experience with Memorial Hospital, Children's Village and/or The Memorial Foundation. How has your experience impacted you?
- Summarize your leadership experience outside of Memorial Hospital, Children's Village, and/or The Memorial Foundation, such as church, community, or school.



YOUTHWORKS

Youth Council Reference Form

2012-2013

To Whom It May Concern:

The student who gave you this form is applying to be on the **YouthWorks** Council of The Memorial Foundation. Please assist us in selecting the next Youth Council by filling out this reference form and faxing/ mailing it back to the Memorial Foundation. The Foundation's fax number is (509) 576-5772 and their mailing address is 2701 Tieton Drive 98902. Attached is a fact sheet explaining the Council. If you need more information, please call Mary Lynne Brewington at (509) 574-3257.

Applicant Name:
Reference Name:
Reference Phone:
Relationship to Applicant:

How long have you known the applicant and to what capacity?

Do you believe this youth would be an asset to the **YouthWorks** Council? If so, why?

Below, you will see a list of statements. By placing a mark in the appropriate box, please indicate how much you would agree with the statement.

Statement	Agree	Not Sure	Disagree	Comments if marked Not Sure/Disagree:
The applicant demonstrates leadership				
The applicant works well with others				
The applicant demonstrates a willingness to try new things				
The applicant finishes what he/she starts				
The applicant is a good listener				
The applicant is well-organized				



About Youth Council: The Memorial Foundation's **YouthWorks** Council is made up of 10-15 local Yakima and surrounding area youth leaders, ranging from 9th grade to college age. The council participates in and represents **YouthWorks** opportunities, including Youth Hospital Volunteers, YouthWorks Pageants and Fundraising, one2one mentors, and Kids-On-The-Block puppeteers.

The Memorial Foundation **YouthWorks** Council creates advocates who are empowered to better the future of healthcare in our community. They carry out this mission through support of children's services at Memorial, advising youth volunteers, helping raise funds, allocating funds raised, initiating events, and encouraging volunteerism and community support to others.

About YouthWorks:

- A partnership between Memorial Hospital, The Memorial Foundation Children's Village and local schools representing Memorial's commitment to the youth in our community
- A focused and organized program in goals and project outcomes. The Premier Youth Organization in the Yakima Valley through the implementation of current youth programs

YouthWorks Programs

Youth Fundraising includes a variety of student-organized philanthropic projects, such as CMN events, Spirit Chains, Boys' Pageants, and other fundraisers to raise money and awareness for children with special healthcare needs.

Youth Volunteers at Memorial Hospital are students, age 16 and over, commit to a minimum of 2 hours/week for at least 3 months. Many youth volunteers are considering careers in healthcare and enjoy being part of the daily workings of the hospital.

Village Volunteers include **one2one**, an inclusive recreation program that trains youth volunteers age 13 and older to become mentors to kids with special needs; and **Kids on the Block**, an educational program that trains volunteers as puppeteers to present skits to children teaching disability awareness.