

BEYOND DIFFERENCES™

Inspiring Youth to End Social Isolation

----- **High School Teen Board of Directors**-----
Application (Grades 9-12)
2020-2021 Academic Year

We are looking for motivated high school students and leaders to join our Teen Board of Directors program for Beyond Differences!

Please fill out the application below and return it to us **by Friday, June 12th, 2020.**

Turn in BOTH this application and a parent permission slip electronically to Karina Parada at karinaoparada@beyonddifferences.org

Or mail it to Beyond Differences, 711 Grand Ave, Suite 200, San Rafael, CA 94901

For more information, visit www.beyonddifferences.org/students/teen-board/
Or call us at 415-256-9095 (Marin office)



Student Information

Name _____

High School Name: _____

Entering Grade for 2020-2021 School Year: _____

Telephone (H) _____ (Student Cell) _____

Student Email Address _____

Student Physical Address 1 _____
(street address)

(city)

(state)

(zip code)

Student Physical Address 2 (if applicable) _____
(street address)

(city)

(state)

(zip code)

Opportunities

- Attend a free Summer **Overnight** Retreat with Bay Area high-school students in August or September 2020
- Obtain training in public speaking, inclusivity tactics, team building, and leadership skills
- Lead mentoring events for middle schoolers from all around the Bay Area
- Possible travel to speaking events nationwide
- Be part of a national organization working to end social isolation!

Commitments

Serving on the Teen Board of Directors requires an enormous commitment. Our members have been identified as change makers in their communities - **young people who are ready to take on the task of creating more inclusive communities in middle schools.**

Teen Board members are **REQUIRED** to participate in the following:

- Promptly respond to emails and texts from Beyond Differences' staff
- Complete a MINIMUM of 30 service hours for Beyond Differences per school year.
- Attend all monthly Teen Board meetings
- Attend and participate in the Annual Gala
- Attend an Overnight (or Online) Retreat (August/September) and a 1-day Mid-Year Retreat (January/February)
- Attend and participate in the Annual Gala (April)
- Commit to fundraising for Beyond Differences with fundraising training provided
- Facilitate Middle School Leadership meetings, and/or assemblies 2-3 times per school year
- Lead lessons and activities for Beyond Differences' Positive Prevention Initiatives:
 - Know Your Classmates (October)
 - No One Eats Alone (February)
 - Be Kind Online (May)

By signing below, you agree to the above list of requirements and responsibilities.

Student
Signature _____ Date _____

Guardian
Signature _____ Date _____

Guardian email: _____ Guardian phone _____

Answer the questions below. If possible, please type your answers and attach them.

1. Briefly explain why you would like to join Beyond Differences.

2. What experience either in or outside of school has influenced you to think about social isolation.

3. Think about your experiences with social isolation, how can you make a contribution to Beyond Differences because of this experience?

4. Describe your greatest leadership skills, and how comfortable are you with speaking in front of an audience?

5. What makes you want to either learn to become a leader or expand your current leadership skills? What leadership skills do you think you could improve?

6. Please list other extracurricular activities in which you are involved or will be involved in next year. (For example: sports, religious school, clubs, community organizations)