

SpeakOut! Youth Council

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are happy to consider your son/daughter as a possible Speak Out Youth Council Member. This council is made up of high school youth in Loveland and Fort Collins. Members of this council will be working on a peer education and outreach program which consists of three components: community outreach, peer education and family involvement. Through these components, youth will have the opportunity to pursue different media avenues to educate our community about sexual health. In addition to the media campaign, they will be able to go to local hangouts and pass out information related so sexual health. Members will also be able to assist with presentations to community groups and their peers. Finally, this council will work together to create helpful materials that will give you new ways to discuss sexuality openly with their parents and families.

Being a member of this council is a very important job. It requires dedication, passion and creativity. As such, it is essential that youth attend our informational meeting and the subsequent trainings that will focus on healthy sexuality, community outreach, leadership and group facilitation. After the training is complete, members will attend regular meeting once per month. Youth input and activity are vital to the success of this program which is why dedication and motivation are essential.

As a parent/guardian, it is very important you feel comfortable with your child's participation in this program. If you agree to let your son/daughter participate, it is our goal that you will be able to support them in the following ways:

- ✧ Helping them to negotiate transportation to trainings, meetings or events.
- ✧ Let us know about any concerns/questions you may have about the program.
- ✧ Have open dialogue with them about what they are doing on the council.

Your signature/s below indicate your agreement with the above information. We look forward to working with you son/daughter!.

Printed Name/s _____

Signature/s _____

Date _____

