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## **Alameda County Taking Applications for Youth Leadership Academy** ***High School Juniors and Seniors Invited to Apply***

Alameda County is accepting applications for its 2017 Youth Leadership Academy (YLA), a free educational program for local 11th and 12th grade students interested in learning about local government, developing leadership skills and networking with peers from throughout the County.

Youth from high schools across Alameda County will participate in five Saturday morning sessions this fall from September – December 2017. Sessions will allow young leaders to learn about County programs, engage with County staff and elected officials, and build leadership skills to help solve community problems.

To apply for the 2017 Youth Leadership Academy, or to learn more, go to <https://www.acgov.org/youthleadership/>.

The application period is from August 30, 2017 to September 15, 2017.

The 2017 Alameda County Youth Leadership Academy will be held on the following dates at facilities throughout Alameda County:

- September 30, 2017
- October 14, 2017
- October 21, 2017
- November 18, 2017
- December 9, 2017

To be eligible, applicants must live in Alameda County and be a junior or senior at a school within the County.

Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis with consideration given to geographic location to ensure representation of students from throughout Alameda County. If you have any questions regarding the application process, please call Hayley Laity or Esther Concepcion at (510) 272-6984.