

Youth in Government

2023-2024

Who: 4L-4R Scholars Where: Room 1324

When: Every other Wednesday, 3:45-5:00pm **Dates:** September 27th – December 13th and the

YIG Conference January 4th-7th

Advisor: Dr. Jameson

Fee: \$50, payable to *Parnassus* **Deadline:** Friday, September 23rd

What is Youth in Government?

Youth in Government (YIG) is a statewide YMCA program focusing on Minnesota state law. The season culminates with a conference open to students in 4L-4R. At the conference, delegates propose legislation which is then voted on by fellow delegates of the same grade level. At the end of the YIG conference, an election is held for Youth Governor and other offices. Older grade levels have the opportunity to work out of the actual Minnesota House and Senate chambers.

The Youth in Government program is conducted almost entirely by students. Participants have opportunities to serve in a number of different program areas. They can serve as legislators, judges, attorneys, lobbyists, cabinet members, media representatives, or introductory Leadership Corps. members.

Youth in Government has a statewide kickoff meeting and training scheduled for Saturday, October 28th, followed by the actual conference on **January 4th - 7th** held at the Minneapolis Hilton. Delegation members are expected to attend the conference, so be sure to mark your calendars!

Meeting Schedule: The Parnassus delegation will meet every other week, on the following dates: September 27th, October 4th, October 25th, November 8th, November 29th, and December 13th.

Cost: In addition to the Parnassus registration and \$50 fee, all participants must also register with the YMCA. The YMCA has a substantial additional fee of \$495 for the conference, or \$479 if you register by the October 17th early bird deadline. Scholarships are available through the YMCA.

REGISTER

New in 2023-2024! All Parnassus activity registrations must now be completed online at: https://parnassus-ar.rschooltoday.com/ by a parent/guardian. Registration is not complete until the online registration form and payment have been submitted. Please note first-time registrants will need to create an account in our system.

Questions:

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