

Students Against
Violence Everywhere



**2011-2012
NATIONAL YOUTH
ADVISORY BOARD
PRE-APPLICATION**

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2011-2012 School Year**

The National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere will select up to 8 SAVE members for the 2011-2012 National SAVE Youth Advisory Board (YAB). The YAB will be composed of high school students from across the nation who have demonstrated leadership skills and service in their school and community, as well as having experience and service with the SAVE program. These students should also possess a commitment to the ideals of SAVE. Creative and energetic students are needed to create new materials, plan and attend National Workshops and provide the youth voice necessary to propel SAVE to greater achievements. Applying for the National SAVE YAB consists of 2 rounds of application processing. Completion of this form is required for Round One. Applicants moving to Round Two, will be notified in June, 2011 with additional information and phone interviews.

Qualifications:

- Rising high school freshmen through juniors
- A member of SAVE for at least 1 year (middle school experience can be included along with high school chapter experience)
- Must be an actively engaged member of an **existing SAVE chapter** (leadership experience in the chapter preferred)
- Committed to the ideals and principles of SAVE, exemplifying these ideals and principles in all aspects of life
- Creative, energetic, and focused on safety and violence prevention efforts through SAVE

Selected Board Members will be required to:

- Participate in conference calls
- Attend a leadership institute/summit planning weekend (Tentatively scheduled for July 2011)
- Participate in a National Presentation/Workshop during the 2011/2012 school year (Date TBD)
- Work independently on assignments throughout the year including answering a Question of the Month, writing an article for the SAVE eSource newsletter and website and talking with the media for interviews
- Assist in creating youth safety lesson plans and educational components for the SAVE Essentials Manual
- Assist in fundraising activities
- Assist the National Association of SAVE in activities and events throughout the year including assisting with a national service project, America's Safe School Week, National SAVE Day, National Youth Violence Prevention Week, and National Youth Traffic Safety Month
- Work to strengthen your own SAVE chapter while working in your local area to aid other chapters, as well as establish new chapters
- Exemplify leadership skills and positive character traits to represent the 1,900+ SAVE chapters and 220,000 youth in SAVE worldwide

*Travel expenses to institute and events will be covered in part by National SAVE and fundraising efforts of National YAB. The scheduling of events will depend on funding availability. The National SAVE Board of Directors and staff will determine dates and logistical information for events.

YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS MUST ATTEND ALL REQUIRED EVENTS AND EXEMPLIFY THE IDEALS AND PRINCIPLES OF SAVE AT ALL TIMES OR ARE SUBJECT TO REMOVAL FROM THE YAB.

If you have the energy, determination and desire to create positive change, please complete this application and return it with **three (3) letters of recommendation**. Suggested sources for recommendations include SAVE advisors, teachers, school counselors, School Resource Officers, work supervisors, community leaders, church leaders, youth organization leaders and coaches. Letters of recommendation will not be accepted from family members. **Deadline for receipt of the pre-application: May 20, 2011. Selection for YAB finalist to participate in the round-two application process will be notified in June, 2011.**

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Please type or print your application.

Full Name: _____ Name Called: _____

Home Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Years as SAVE member (Can include grades 6-12 Experience): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Expected year of High School Graduation _____

SAVE Leadership Positions held and year: _____

Additional Honors, Skills or Special Recognition: _____

Employer (if applicable): _____

School/Agency: _____

School District: _____ County: _____

Administrator: _____ Email: _____

SAVE Advisor: _____ Email: _____

School Phone: (____) _____ School Fax: (____) _____

Parent/Guardian Statement:

If my son/daughter is accepted to this position, I will be able to provide transportation to each retreat or airport if out of state, event and meetings. My son/daughter has my permission to be a member of the SAVE Youth Advisory Board.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

SAVE Chapter Advisor Statement:

Having my SAVE member accepted to this position will require my support, as well as the support of our SAVE chapter to aid him/her in assigned duties and obligations. I will stay informed of work and events and try to participate in YAB related events if asked by the National Association of SAVE.

SAVE Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Applicant Certification Statement:

I agree that the information provided is accurate. I realize that being accepted as a YAB member is an honor and privilege that also requires hard work and responsibility. If accepted to this position, I will be able to make a considerable time commitment to the YAB (at least 10 hours per month throughout the school year). I will attend all retreats and events.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please answer the following questions (in numbered order). The document should not exceed five (5) double-spaced, typed pages.

Questions related to SAVE experience:

1. Why/how did you become a member of SAVE?
2. How has SAVE made a positive difference in your school?
3. How has SAVE impacted your life?
4. How are you personally trying to prevent violence? How do you think students can prevent violence?
5. What SAVE activity has been the most rewarding to you?
6. Of the three essential elements of SAVE (1-Crime Prevention, 2-Conflict Management, & 3-Service Projects) which do you think is the most important in preventing violence? Why?
7. What type of service projects have you been involved with? Describe your service project involvement.
8. What type of leadership role have you taken with your SAVE chapter? Include the duties, accomplishments and skills utilized.
9. What do you feel is your best character trait and how will this trait be best utilized on the Youth Advisory Board?
10. Tell us **why** you should be a SAVE Youth Advisory Board (YAB) member.
11. Describe what skills, interests, or abilities that you possess that will benefit SAVE and the YAB.
12. **What** do you hope to accomplish as a YAB member, and **how** would you accomplish this task. Be creative!

Additional Questions to Address:

13. Describe any other leadership positions that you have held. Include the duties, major accomplishments, and skills utilized.
14. List any volunteer experiences and the dates/frequency of involvement.
15. List school honors, memberships to school clubs, sports teams, youth groups or community organizations.

Check List:

- Application with appropriate signatures
- Attached typed document (not exceeding 5 pages) addressing above questions
- Three (3) letters of recommendation
- Optional: Other Supporting documentation such as news articles
- Mail or fax before May 20, 2011 to:

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Questions? Call the National Association of SAVE toll-free at 1-866-343-SAVE, or email cwray@nationalsave.org; or visit www.nationalsave.org to learn more about the National SAVE Youth Advisory Board.