



**FUTURE INSPIRED NATIVE AMERICAN LEADERS YOUTH COUNCIL**  
**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**  
**ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025**

**Requirements for F.I.N.A.L. Youth Council Application:**

- Must be a high school student (Incoming freshman are eligible to apply).
- Must reside within Maricopa County, Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, or the Gila River Indian Reservation.
- Must be willing to learn, develop leadership skills, and connect with other youth.

**Youth Council Application Deadline and Dates:**

- Application Deadline – **Friday, July 26, 2024 @ 5:00pm**
- Virtual Interviews for selected Youth Council applicants - **August 5<sup>th</sup> –8<sup>th</sup>**
- Selection Notification – **Friday, August 9, 2024**
- MANDATORY Youth Council Orientation – **Saturday, August 17, 2024 @ 10:00AM-5:00PM**
- MANDATORY Parent Youth Council Orientation – **Saturday, August 17, 2024, @ 4:00PM-5:00PM**
  - The address for the MANDATORY meetings will be provided to the newly selected Youth Council members on August 9, 2024
- F.I.N.A.L. Youth Council Inauguration – **Saturday, August 26, 2024**

**Benefits of joining the F.I.N.A.L. Youth Council:**

- Develop various leadership skills
- Develop great self-esteem & self-confidence
- Stay connected to your cultural identity through community events & activities
- Build strong and lasting friendships with other youth
- Learn to create and plan community events & activities
- Obtain networking opportunities
- Meet tribal leaders
- Engage in College & Career Readiness Trainings
- Contribute to making a difference in Indian County

**What does the Youth Council do?**

- The Youth Council members are youth ambassadors for the Phoenix Indian Center's Youth Development Program. They help plan cultural, educational, and community-based workshops, events, and activities throughout the program year.
- Youth Council members will work with other tribal youth, elders, and various tribal leaders.
- Youth council members will meet twice a month starting in September-May.



<b>STUDENT INFORMATION</b>			
Student Name (First):		(Middle):	(Last):
Suffix (Jr., III):			
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Agender <input type="checkbox"/> Genderqueer <input type="checkbox"/> Genderfluid		Grade: <input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Senior	
Birth Date (mm/dd/yyyy):		Graduation Date:	
Tribal Affiliation:		<input type="checkbox"/> 2025 <input type="checkbox"/> 2026 <input type="checkbox"/> 2027 <input type="checkbox"/>	
High School:		School District:	
(Incoming High School Freshman) - Recent Jr. High School GPA:		Recent High School GPA:	
When Does School Start for you? Please Provide Date:		Student Phone Number:	
Student Email:			
Physical Address:		Apt./Unit:	
City:	State:	Zip Code:	

<b>PARENT INFORMATION</b>		
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name:		
Relationship to Student:	Parent/Guardian Phone Number:	Parent/Guardian Work Number:
Parent/Guardian Email:		



**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

What activities are you involved with?

- School Clubs    Student Government    Athletics    JROTC    Community Volunteerism  
 Music/Art    Religious    Activism    Performing Arts    Honor Society  
 None    Other \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate if you are in any Early College Programs:

- ACE Program    Dual Enrollment    Hoop of Learning

**APPLICATION QUESTIONS:**

Please answer the following questions. They will help us understand your ideas on leadership and how you plan to serve the youth of the Phoenix Indian Center, (If you need additional space, please submit on attached sheet).

**Question 1:** Why do you want to be a Youth Council Member?



**Question 2:** What experience do you have helping others? (We want to know in which ways you have helped your family, friends, school and community)

**Question 3:** Describe how you're going to balance family, school and extra-curricular activities with being on Youth Council?

Additional information you would like to add:

**SIGNATURE**

Student Signature:

Date:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:



Application Checklist:

- Student Information Completed
- Parent/Guardian Information Completed
- Extracurricular Activities Section Completed
- (3) Application Questions have been Answered
- Student & Parent/Guardian Signature Completed

**SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO:**

Taylor Susan, Youth Council Advisor/ Youth Development Specialist:

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**For questions, please contact:**

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