

# Youth Committee Agenda

## FEBRUARY



- Chairman-** Anya Bansal
- Vice Chairman-** Kaitlyn Holmes
- Secretary-** Sarvesh Sitaraman
- Team Engagement Leaders -** Prudence Cutwa & Stanley LaFave
- YC Liaison to the Youth Advisory Board-** Elif Cetinkaya
- NYS Youth Council Chair-** Sarvesh Sitaraman
- Youth as Solutions Team Leaders-** Prudence, Stanley, Sarvesh



**Sunday, February 8th, 2026      2:30-3:00 pm      INVITED:**

### Shared Google Drive

- Please update before meeting starts
- In the 2025-2026 School Year Folder-
  - Monthly agendas, meeting minutes, and flyers

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### Welcome

Please share your name, grade, and school, along with one “win” you have recently experienced. We have some new faces today!

### Attendance and Call to Order

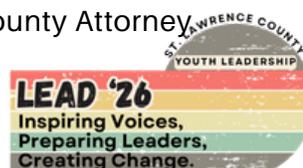
### Updates

- **BAND APP**
  - Please register and set up your profile today
  - Great platform for communication, reminders, messages, and events
  - [CLICK HERE TO JOIN](#)
- **Youth Committee Podcasts**
  - Podcast recorded on 1.30
    - Anya and Sarvesh
    - Feedback
- **Groundhog Stroll or Stride Event 1/31/26**
  - Heuvelton, Lisbon, and Madrid-Waddington Centrals
  - Thank you Kaitlyn R., Kaitlyn H., Sarvesh, and Stanley
- **5th Annual Valentine’s Day Card Drive**
  - We received 100's of cards!
  - Thank you Kaitlyn Redfern for getting Canton NHS to make cards
- **safeTALK Classes**
  - ~~Morristown Central School District Wed 2/04/26 12pm-3pm~~
  - Madrid-Waddington Central School District Fri 2/13/26 8:30am-11:30 am
  - Madrid-Waddington Central School District Tues 2/24/26 3pm-6pm
  - Madrid-Waddington Central School District Staff Development Fri 3/06/26 am
- **Albany Trip**
  - Monday and Tuesday February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - Ambassadors who attended: Anya, Annabel, Stanley, Sarvesh, and Ben
  - Feedback
- **LEAD '26**
  - Attendance by Ambassadors is strongly encouraged
  - Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup> 3:00-4:30 pm
  - Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> 3:00-4:30 pm.
  - Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> 3:00-4:30 pm
  - Youth Engagement Day: Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:00 pm
  - Scheduled Guest Speakers
    - Cole Siebels today, Assemblyman Scott Gray 3/08, County Attorney, Stephen Button in April

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Anya Bansal-Potsdam
Nevaeh Plotnick-Clifton Fine
Prudence Cutwa- Lisbon
Stanley LaFave-Heuvelton
Kaitlyn Holmes-Canton
Sarvesh Sitaraman-Potsdam
Ben Weaver- Madrid Waddington
Sage Smith-Heuvelton
Kaitlyn Redfern-Canton
Tyree Hawkins-Madrid Waddington
Annabel Curtis-Ogdensburg
Ziya Lu-Potsdam
Olivia Rice-Morristown
Easton Willard-Morristown
Mairin King-Heuvelton
Jeffery Palma-Edwards Knox
Leah Pike-Ogdensburg
Rose Cox- Gouverneur
Phebe Grandy-Madrid Waddington
Maddy Young-Madrid Waddington
Ryder Liscum-Heuvelton
Arianna Smith-Potsdam
Grace Jeneault-Ogdensburg
Jordyn Dobbs-Ogdensburg



## Ambassador Participation

- **50% participation is expected for be “In Good Standing”**
  - **Suggestions**
    - **Newsletter articles**
      - Ideas
        - How Teens Actually Manage Stress (Not Just What Adults Think)
        - Why Youth Voice Matters in Our Community
        - Small Ways Teens Can Make a Big Difference Locally
        - Living in a Digital World: What Helps and What Hurts
        - What Gives Me Hope Right Now
        - Choose your own: Write on a topic you genuinely care about. Your article can be personal, opinion-based, or story-driven. We want your authentic voice and not perfection. Write as if you’re talking to another teen or a caring adult in our community.
    - **PSA’s**
      - Teen Ambassador Recruitment
      - safeTALK classes
    - **TikTok videos**-Ideas listed above
    - **Board of Legislator Meeting Attendance**
      - Conducted at the Courthouse Legislator’s Chambers (48 Court St.)
      - Upcoming meeting dates
        - Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm Operations/Services
        - Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30 pm Finance
        - Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:00 pm Full Board Meeting

## Sarvesh

- Update on New York State Youth Council

## Five Hour Free Friday

- Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> 4:00 to 9:00 pm
- Present Resolution to BOL on Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Saturday & Sunday  
April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>  
6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
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## Ambassador (Monthly) Spotlights for YB Newsletter

### Monthly Spotlight Ambassadors will submit:

📷 **A photo of themselves that we will use in the newsletter**

👉 **Answers to the following 5 questions:**

- Name, School, and Grade
- Career Interests – What careers excite you or inspire you?
- Future Plans – What colleges, trades, or training programs are you interested in attending?
- School Pride – Share one thing you love about your school!
- Teen Ambassador Experience – Why did you choose to be a Teen Ambassador and how has it grown you as a student (or person?)
- If you could offer one tip or suggestion to a peer, what would it be?

## Schedule:

### March newsletter-Clifton-Fine (deadline 2/25)

April newsletter-To be determined

May newsletter-Senior Spotlights (we will spotlight our graduating Ambassadors)

June newsletter-Senior Spotlights continued

**Sunday, March 8th  
2:30 pm**

