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New and returning Mayor's Youth Council members were given the nod of approval by the Burleson City Council on May 16. The members will start their terms June 1. Mayor's Youth Council (MYC) members serve two-year terms, then may be recommended for one additional reappointment. The student members must be between 13 and 19 years of age.

The appointees include returning members Allison Chappell, Brianna Young, Corbin Clark, Dalton Jones, Hannah Glona, Kinsley Munoz, Lauren Peters, and Stephanie Killam; and, new members Alyssa Williams, Garrett Thiel, Sara Farris, Sasha Flowers and Trevor Lucas.

MYC members must live in the city of Burleson or Burleson's extraterritorial jurisdiction. Students submit a written application then go through an in-person interview.

The MYC members are responsible for identifying key issues facing Burleson teens; advising the city council on teen-related matters; planning activities and projects for Burleson youth; and maintaining youth council bylaws and structure

The MYC was created May 10, 2007, via a Burleson City Council resolution. The city council officially appointed the first youth council in January 2008.

The Mayor's Youth Council also includes two adult voting members and six non-voting adult members. The two adult voting members include a counselor or educator from an independent school district and a representative of a non-profit community youth advocacy organization or program. Ex-officio, non-voting adult members include the mayor, a Burleson City Council member, a member of the board of directors from the Burleson Independent School District and the Joshua Independent School District, one City staff member, and one staff member from an independent school district.