

Beaver County Youth Ambassador Program



What is the Youth Ambassador Program?

The Youth Ambassador Program (YAP) is a youth-centered, youth-driven program operating in Beaver County schools that promotes awareness of current issues that youth face today. The goals of the program are:

- To increase awareness of mental health and wellness.
- To decrease stigma associated with mental illness.
- To promote leadership and self-advocacy among youth.
- To build relationships with other youth in their districts and across the county.

What do the Youth Ambassadors Do?

- Participate in countywide events to learn about mental health, wellness activities, and available services.
- Participate in club activities at their school to spread the information to other youth, family members, and the community and to address relevant issues in their district.
- Promote YAP through social media, posters, videos, and other platforms.
- Represent the program by being “change agents” that teach others about YAP at national conferences.
- Help change the culture of understanding and acceptance of mental health and related issues.

Who are the Youth Ambassadors?

Any youth who resides in Beaver County from 8th through 12th grade is eligible to participate by contacting their district representatives. Youth are currently active in all Beaver County districts as well as some private, parochial, cyber, and alternative schools. It is a diverse group representing both males and females, several racial and ethnic backgrounds, various sexual orientations, and those with and without knowledge or experience with mental illness.

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