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TOWN ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

WAKE FOREST, NC – May 17, 2011 – The Town of Wake Forest is currently accepting applications from area high school students who are interested in serving on the Youth Advisory Board (YAB) for the 2011-2012 school year.

Applications are available in the town clerk's office at town hall and on the Town's website at www.wakeforestnc.gov/government/youthadvisoryboard.aspx. Completed applications must be received no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, June 30, and should be mailed or delivered to Town Clerk Deeda Harris, Town of Wake Forest, 301 S. Brooks Street., Wake Forest, NC 27587.

YAB applicants will be expected to attend the July 12 board of commissioners work session to be formally introduced and describe why they wish to serve on the YAB. The meeting gets underway at 5:30 p.m.

Only high school students (grades 9 – 12) are eligible to serve on the YAB. The YAB is comprised of between nine and fifteen members – minimum of one can live outside the corporate Town limits. YAB members serve one-year terms, but may be re-appointed.

The YAB researches issues of importance to young people in the community, makes presentations about its findings to the board of commissioners, and holds informational and/or special events for area youth.

The YAB meets on the third Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. at Flaherty Park Community Center. The first meeting of the newly appointed YAB will be Aug. 20, and the year for the YAB will coincide with the school year - August through July.

The board of commissioners will announce the official appointments to the YAB during its regular meeting on July 19.

For more information, contact Town Clerk Deeda Harris at (919) 435-9410 or dharris@wakeforestnc.gov.

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