



NATIONAL YOUTH ASSEMBLY OF IRELAND

Call for nominations

Information Sheet for Delegates & Parents/ Guardians

The Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth (DCEDIY) established the National Youth Assembly to act as a consultative youth forum on topics of national interest. The Youth Assembly plays a significant role in including the voice of young people in implementing public policy and prioritising actions for Government.

The Youth Assembly is for young people aged 12-24 years. Delegates are invited from different organisations across the country to become a member of the National Youth Assembly of Ireland for a term of two years. Delegates attend a maximum of four Assemblies a year on different topic as well as preparatory and evaluation sessions.

Criteria for Delegates

- Candidates must be aged between 12 and 22 years of age on 1st Feb 2025 (delegates must be under 25 for their duration on the Assembly).
- The term is for two years – Feb 2025 to Feb 2027. (The term has been increased by six months on a pilot basis)
- Delegates should be able and willing to attend the Assemblies and accompanying meetings. There will be a maximum of four Assemblies per year with accompanying preparation and evaluation meetings.
- Delegates should be motivated to speak about issues of importance to young people.

Further information

- Assemblies and meetings will be held in person and online (meetings are mostly in Dublin, transport costs will be covered by DCEDIY – more information on this will be provided to successful candidates).
- Candidates who are not selected can consent to be placed on a reserve list. This reserve list will be used to fill places if delegates leave the Assembly before their two year term is complete. Should this happen a replacement delegate will be randomly selected from a similar age category.
- If you or your child/ward is successful, a support staff member will be provided by your nominating organisation.

Please consider your ability to commit to the two year term before applying.

If under 18 years, please ensure that your parent/guardian has read this sheet and given permission for you to apply.

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