



This year, the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids will select **25** youth from across the country to represent their state as National Youth Ambassadors and join our youth action network.

These youth will attend the Youth Advocacy Symposium, a five-day event in Washington, D.C, where they will receive training from experts in the field on how to take their advocacy to the next level, network with other youth leaders from across the country, brainstorm new ideas and have some fun exploring our nation's capital.

National Youth Ambassadors

National Youth Ambassadors are exemplary youth advocates who have demonstrated dedication in the fight against tobacco, and are interested in growing their advocacy skills.

These select youth leaders will receive specialized in-person and web-based training, as well as opportunities to engage in advocacy as leaders on a statewide, national and even international level.

Minimum Requirements:

- Rising sophomore, junior or senior
- Demonstrated dedication to the fight against tobacco, with at least 1 year of tobacco control experience
- Commitment to at least one year of ongoing advocacy engagement with the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids

Commitment:

- Attend the Youth Advocacy Symposium from **July 9th – July 13th, 2017**;
- Attend at least **75%** (4/6) of bi-monthly conference calls;
- Complete **required online training** throughout the year;
- **Report** on advocacy actions and communicate regularly with Tobacco-Free Kids staff;
- Host a **Kick Butts Day** event;
- Participate in **calls to action**;
- Become a certified **Taking Down Tobacco (TDT)** trainer and train **50** peers

Youth Advocacy Symposium

At Symposium, youth will gain valuable training from experts, meet fellow National Youth Ambassadors, advocate with Members of Congress on Capitol Hill and explore Washington, D.C.

Location:

The Youth Advocacy Symposium is held in Washington D.C., with trainings and events occurring across the greater metro area.

Cost:

All costs associated with attending the Symposium, including meals, lodging and travel, will be covered by the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids for selected attendees.

Applications

Interested youth must be **nominated by their Coordinators**. Nominated youth must complete a brief application.

Youth should be detailed and share specific examples of how and why they kick butts in their school, community and/or state!

[NATIONAL YOUTH AMBASSADOR APPLICATION](#)



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