



Raising 4 Reasons Youth Board Membership Application 2009-2010

Anne Arundel Youth Charitable Initiative, Inc., also known as Raising 4 Reasons, is a non-profit, student-run Board of Directors that raises funds and approves grants to local organizations in need of assistance. Currently in its fifth year of existence, it is composed of juniors and seniors from public and private schools around the county. Along with an adult oversight board, the Youth Board meets monthly at the Anne Arundel County Board of Education on Riva Road in Annapolis.

Once accepted into Raising 4 Reasons, members join a committee (fundraising, grant giving, membership, or public relations) on which they will serve for the entirety of the year. Students spend the majority of each meeting with their committee, working to complete short-term and long-term goals.

During the 2007-2008 school years, our fundraising efforts provided grants to the following organizations:

- *Rebuilding Together- \$1500*
- *Annapolis Area Ministries- \$1000*
- *Sarah's House- \$1000*
- *Boys & Girls Clubs-\$800*

*This 2008-2010 focus is "Green for Green." Raising 4 Reasons teaches high school students how to work within the dynamics of a board of directors and exposes them to fun, interactive ways to serve their community. Through positions such as president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, it also gives students an opportunity to exercise leadership. Please note that applications must be postmarked by **Wednesday, March 25, 2009**. Additional information about Raising 4 Reasons, visit our website at www.raising4reasons.org or contact us at r4r@aacps.org.*

Please type or print neatly.

Name: _____ High School: _____
 Age: _____ Grade: _____ GPA (optional): _____
 Home Phone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____
 Street Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Please attach answers on a separate sheet of paper (typed).

1. Describe your top 3 community and/or school activities in their order of importance to you. (No more than 100 words)
2. Explain why you would like to be a part of the Raising for Reasons Youth Board (250 words or less).
3. Which of your qualities do you believe can make the biggest impact upon R4R? (250 words or less).
4. How do you think the outlook of R4R is beneficial to the community of Anne Arundel County? (250 words or less).

I understand that there will be **monthly** meetings that I need to attend and committee work that needs to be accomplished outside of the meetings. If selected, I will do my best to contribute to and attend all R4R meetings and functions. I also understand that if I miss more than three meetings, I will be removed from the Board.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

**Questions? Visit our website at www.raising4reasons.org or contact us at R4R@aacps.org.
 Submit completed application to Katie Brophy ♦ Specialist, Student Leadership and Involvement, ♦ Anne Arundel County
 Public Schools Board of Education ♦ 2644 Riva Road ♦ Annapolis, MD 21401.
 All applications must be postmarked by-Wednesday, March 25, 2009**