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2019 NSW YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL APPLICATIONS OPEN

Minister responsible for Youth, Ray Williams, announced applications for the 2019 NSW Youth Advisory Council (YAC) are now open.

Mr Williams said the YAC is responsible for advising the NSW Government on issues of importance to young people, as well as evaluating youth-related policies.

"I encourage young people, between the age of 12-24, across NSW to apply for the opportunity to represent their community on the 2019 Youth Advisory Council," Mr Williams said.

"The feedback received from the Council supports the NSW Government to develop effective policies and programs for young people."

2018 YAC Chair, Isaiah Dawe, said being on the Council is a great learning opportunity.

"It's basically coming all together into the one place and learning from each other and creating new possibilities and opportunities for the future generation," Mr Dawe said.

Twelve Council members are sought from diverse locations, backgrounds and life experiences.

One of the key roles of the Youth Advisory Council is to provide advice to the Advocate for Children and Young People, Andrew Johnson.

"The advice of the 2018 NSW Youth Advisory Council has been instrumental to ACYP projects throughout the year. The Council has also met with many different NSW Government departments and helped organise events for children and young people to have their voices heard," Mr Johnson said.

For more information and application forms please visit the Advocate for Children and Young People's website www.acyp.nsw.gov.au or call (02) 9248 0970. Please note that applications close at 11.59pm on Sunday 30 September 2018.

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