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## **Solano Youth Coalition is Accepting Applications for New Members**

The Solano Youth Coalition (SYC) is currently accepting applications for new members. SYC is open to youth residing in Solano County, ages 14 to 21, who are attending school full time. All students interested in joining SYC must apply no later than Friday, August 2, 2019. To apply online visit <a href="http://tinyurl.com/zfdtxvp">http://tinyurl.com/zfdtxvp</a> or contact Johanna Nowak-Palmer at (707) 646-7608.

The mission of the Solano Youth Coalition is to raise awareness by advocating for safe and healthier choices in communities through open conversations, participation, and collaboration among a new generation of youth advocates. SYC is partnered with Solano Friday Night Live and overseen by the Solano County Office of Education. "I encourage all youth to explore programs like the Solano Youth Coalition. Involvement in programs like this increase youth connectedness to their communities and provides unique opportunities for young people to realize their strengths and discover their passions," says Solano County Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella-Henderson.

SYC strives to build positive and healthy youth-adult partnerships as well as engage youth to be active leaders and resources in their communities. SYC projects and activities focus on promoting and encouraging the participation of young people in the development of policy, programs, and services around issues effecting the health and safety of their community.

For more information contact Johanna Nowak-Palmer, Program Manager of Youth Development for the Solano County Office of Education, at 707-646-7608 or jnowak@solanocoe.net.



Back row (Left to Right) Emery Coh, Ofelia Ortiz, Ryan Anenson, Colby Giroux, Josh Hathaway Middle Row (Left to Right) Sophia Syed, Maha Syed, Vivian Hoang, Sameer Syed, Eddie Wen, Juan Maya, Kirsten Lambinicio, Nav Khanna, Alex Cortes

Front Row (Left to Right) Yanely Pimienta, Maddie Denayer, Tristan Keene, Raiven Mesa, Nathan Abiera and Rommel Zablan.