



2021 Spring Youth Forum Informational Webinar

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Agenda

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Save the Date

- ▶ **All Virtual Programming via Zoom**
 - ▶ Zoom Tutorials with video guides can be found under **Forms & Downloads**
- ▶ **Event Date:** Tuesday, May 18, 2021
- ▶ Plan to return to Great Wolf Lodge in 2022!



About the Forum

- ▶ Follow-up event from Prevention Summit
 - ▶ Many youth participated in the Making an IMPACT Using SPF workshop
- ▶ Recognizes and rewards youth prevention teams throughout WA State
- ▶ Provides venue for youth teams to showcase prevention projects
 - ▶ We're going virtual in 2021!
 - ▶ Youth prevention teams will have the opportunity to present their projects
- ▶ Students learn from one another through success stories

New This Year

- ▶ Resemble an in-person experience as close as possible
- ▶ Non-competition experience for youth in a virtual environment
 - ▶ Recognize and reward youth prevention teams
 - ▶ Allow of the sharing of ideas with prevention projects
 - ▶ Create a team application process instead of scholarship
- ▶ Presentation of prevention projects
 - ▶ Presentations will be recorded by the youth prevention team and submitted
 - ▶ Breakout room feature in Zoom for video presentations
 - ▶ Guidance and criteria for recording video presentations is available

New This Year Cont.

- ▶ Youth Development Workshops
 - ▶ 4-5 workshops will be offered - each 50 minutes in length
- ▶ Team Reflections
 - ▶ Segment will be extended to 50 minutes
- ▶ Prevention Resource Kits
 - ▶ Mailed directly to all registered youth
 - ▶ Possibility of a light refreshment may be included
- ▶ Prevention Project Criteria
 - ▶ Encourage and support youth-led prevention projects throughout WA
 - ▶ Effort to maintain integrity of the entire program
 - ▶ Ensure prevention projects align with ***“What works in Prevention”***

Agenda

- ▶ Conference Welcome
 - ▶ Start at 10:00AM
- ▶ Mini-keynote
- ▶ Video Presentations in Breakout Rooms
- ▶ Lunch
- ▶ Youth Development Workshops
- ▶ Team Reflections
- ▶ Team Recognition
- ▶ Closing
 - ▶ End at 3:00PM
- ▶ Provides five hours of programming
- ▶ Breaks will be offered throughout the day in 10-minute increments
- ▶ Final agenda will be posted on the Spring Youth Forum website

FAQs

- ▶ Is a scholarship required to attend the Spring Youth Forum?
 - ▶ No – Youth Teams must submit a registration application that describes their implemented prevention project and be accepted to attend at no cost
- ▶ Are there any mandatory TAA & Chaperone Meetings?
 - ▶ Yes – we will offer one webinar opportunity for TAAs & Chaperones to attend
 - ▶ **Webinar – Friday, May 14 at 10:00 am**
 - ▶ Slides will be uploaded to the Spring Youth Forum website
 - ▶ Alternatively, TAAs & Chaperones can review the slides independently and acknowledge their understanding via email at ContactUs@SpringYouthForum.org
- ▶ Any guidelines or tutorials available to review in preparation for SYF?
 - ▶ Yes – Everything from video presentation guidance to Zoom tutorials are available on the website, under Forms & Downloads

FAQs cont.

- ▶ How big or small can our team be? What about ratio?
 - ▶ Teams can be as small as one (1) youth and as large as ten (10) youth while in the virtual environment
 - ▶ There will not be a chaperone to youth ratio requirement for 2021, however, every youth team must have a Team Adult Advisor present
- ▶ Is there any material available to share with school leadership about Spring Youth Forum?
 - ▶ Yes – We have developed a short video that provides an overview of the Spring Youth Forum on the conference homepage
 - ▶ A recording of the 2020 virtual conference is also available within the conference website's archive pages

Major Deadlines to Consider

- ▶ February 12: Youth prevention team registration application available
- ▶ **March 15:** Youth prevention team registration application **due by 5:00pm PST**
- ▶ March 17-March 19: Registration applications reviewed for acceptance
- ▶ March 23: Email acceptance notification and video presentation upload instructions sent to the Team Adult Advisor
- ▶ **April 12:** Youth prevention team video presentation **due by 5:00pm PST**
- ▶ **April 12:** Youth permission packets **due by 5:00pm PST**
- ▶ **May 14:** Team Adult Advisor and Chaperone Webinar Meeting at 10:00am
- ▶ May 17: Zoom access link sent out for virtual event
- ▶ **May 18:** Virtual Spring Youth Forum!

Questions?

Please type your questions in the chat along with your name and email address.





Next Items

- ▶ Registration Applications due March 15 by 5:00 pm
- ▶ Today's slides will be uploaded to the Spring Youth Forum website
- ▶ Need to Contact Us?
 - ▶ By Email – contactus@springyouthforum.org
 - ▶ Tony Edwards-Lenton, Conference Chair – Tony.Edwards-Lenton@hca.wa.gov
- ▶ Thanks for joining – See you all at the Virtual Spring Youth Forum!