



**"Teens Only" Town Hall Meeting
and Youth Commission**



The "Teens Only" Town Hall Meeting and Youth Commission provides a forum and voice for students from across the state to work together with *Florida's Children and Youth Cabinet* to address important issues relating to children's services.

Nov. 18th was the deadline for applications for the 2012 "Teens Only" Town Hall Meeting and Youth Commission



The 2011 Youth Commission engaged in discussion prior to the "Teens Only Town Hall Meeting".

The 20-member Cabinet, is comprised of government officials, policy makers, children's developmental and advocacy experts, and now a Youth Commission comprised of twelve students selected from a statewide pool of applicants.

Youth Commission & "Teens Only" Town Hall Meeting Panelist Duties & Responsibilities



- Provide advice and assistance to Florida's Children and Youth Cabinet as needed during their tenure as Youth Commission members.
- Attend the mock Town Hall Meeting and the official "Teens Only" Town Hall Meeting on January 31, in Tallahassee, which will also serve as a venue for newly appointed Youth Commission members to be introduced to Florida's Children and Youth Cabinet.

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- Research their own questions and submit two written ideas/questions on their assigned issues prior to the meeting.
- Participate in Youth Commission conference calls to discuss and address topics that may be assigned to the Youth Commission by Florida's Children and Youth Cabinet at each meeting.
- Serving one (1) year term on the Youth Commission from March 1, 2012 to February 28, 2013.
- Attend one meeting of Florida's Children and Youth Cabinet in their area.
- Commit to educating the next group of students on the progress of the Youth Commission.



**"Teens Only" Town Hall Meeting
10 a.m. – Cabinet Meeting Room inside
the State Capitol**

- This event is held during Children's Day at the Capitol in Tallahassee where the selected panelists will sit before the Cabinet and ask them their researched questions.
- This event is free and open to the public and is filmed for broadcast on the Florida Channel.

Questions?

- For more information about the "Teens Only" Town Hall Meeting and Youth Commission please contact Jason Zaborse at 850-251-7274 or info@childrensweek.org


