

**GYC
Mission Statement**

The Governor's
Youth Council is a
networking group
that plans and
coordinates
drug/violence free
activities in order to
promote positive
youth lifestyles.



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Program Objectives

1. Establish a student network among Secondary Schools with risk-focused prevention programs.
2. Implement and coordinate national and state substance abuse-awareness media campaigns.
3. Initiate and coordinate drug-free activities.
4. Receive specific training in the social action process.
5. Identify national, state and local issues; which are of interest to Utah's youth.
6. Organize the GYC to bring about positive social change in cooperation with national, state and local leaders.

Program Goals

1. Sponsor or coordinate at least one activity per month throughout the school year.
2. Promote GYC with newspaper articles and public service announcements.
3. Contact and collaborate with political and community leaders.

History

GYC was organized under the direction of Governor Scott Matheson in 1986. He created statewide Youth Councils to inform him of the problems facing Utah's youth.

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By-laws

- ★ Maintain a GPA of "C" or better
- ★ Strive to be a positive example at all times
- ★ Refrain from using alcohol, tobacco and all other drugs
- ★ No suggestive clothing
- ★ No involvement in violent behavior
- ★ Support all meetings and activities

How it Works

GYC consists of three levels, state, district and school. The state is divided into 13 planning districts. Washington, Iron, Kane, Beaver and Garfield counties make up the Southwest-planning district with approximately 450 active members. Each school has a GYC advisor, President, President Elect, as well as other officers. A Prevention Specialist serves as the county advisor.