



Nomination form 2009



Representation for a new generation

Do you think you have your finger on the pulse of what affects young people in Newham?

Do you have big ideas about education, jobs, regeneration, young entrepreneurs and tackling crime?

Do you want to represent the views of one of the youngest populations in the UK?

To be a candidate for Young Mayor of Newham and Newham's Youth Council you must be aged 11 on or before 1 September 2009 and younger than 18 on the final day of polling; Thursday 22 October 2009.

As Young Mayor of Newham, you will be the voice of young people in the borough. You'll be representing their views, and making sure that they are taken into account when decisions are being made that affect them.

Being Young Mayor is a challenging but rewarding role. You'll learn new skills that you will be able to take with you whatever you choose to do in future. You'll meet new people, learn things about yourself, and be able to make a real difference to the young people of Newham.

Think you are up to the challenge?

You can find out more information about becoming Young Mayor of Newham by visiting www.newham.gov.uk/youngmayor/elections

If you need help completing this nomination form, or would like to speak to someone about the role, call the youth representation team on **020 3373 8555** or email youngmayor@newham.gov.uk

Guidance notes for parents and teachers

By signing this form you are acknowledging that you will take personal interest and responsibility in the candidate, providing advice and support to this young person during their campaign to become Young Mayor of Newham and during their time in office.

The Young Mayor and Youth Council will be supported by the youth representation team who will assist them throughout their year in office and will provide them with support at events. There is also support for the Youth Council to help them campaign on local issues – and to ensure they are involved and can make change happen too.

Parents/guardians – please speak to your son/daughter/ward about their drive to undertake this role. Are they able to commit an average of two evenings (or equivalent time) per week to the role of Young Mayor?

Teachers/employers – please speak to this young person about balancing their education and/or employment and the duties of Young Mayor. Is this young person at an appropriate stage in their life to fulfil the duties of Young Mayor if they are elected?

The information you provide us will be treated confidentially, and as part of the election process we will pass your details on to our approved training provider, who will contact you regarding the training and support provided to nominees and candidates during this election process.



Nomination form

Please complete this form and provide supporting letters (see below) so that you can stand for election to become the Young Mayor of Newham. You will need the signatures and addresses of 50 young people who live or go to school in Newham and are aged 11 on or before 1 September 2009 and younger than 18 on the final day of polling; Thursday 22 October 2009. Space is provided overleaf.

Please note that all information you give us will be treated as highly confidential. If you need any assistance in completing this form please contact us on **020 3373 8555** or **youngmayor@newham.gov.uk**

First name:

Surname:

Address:

Postcode:

Please tell us if you have left home and are living independently from your parent/guardian

I live with my parents/guardian

I live independently from my parents/guardian *(please sign)*

Date of birth:

Phone:

Email:

Name of headteacher, principal or employer:

You must ensure you have checked and ticked the following boxes before sending in this application:

- I have collected 50 signatures from young people living, working or studying in Newham.
- I have enclosed a signed letter from my head teacher, principal or employer.
- I have enclosed a signed letter from my parent / guardian *(if you are living independently this is not required)*
- I have enclosed a completed and signed consent form
- I have enclosed a completed and signed code of conduct
- I am available to attend nominees training all day on Saturday 19 September.
- I am available to attend candidates training all day on Saturday 3 October.

Note: both letters will show us that you have support to stand, and that your campaign will not negatively affect your schooling or work performance. Code of conduct and consent forms are available from www.newham.gov.uk/youngmayor/elections

I (name) would like to stand for election to become the Young Mayor of Newham and can confirm that the information I have given you is true and correct.

(please sign)

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In 50 words tell the young people of Newham why you want to become the Young Mayor,
Note that this information may be used in future Young Mayor election publicity,

Post or hand deliver your nomination form to:

Young Mayor of Newham, YPOD, 6 High Street South, East Ham, London E6 6ES

The YPOD is located next to the East Ham Campus of Newham College of Further Education and opposite Newham Town Hall.

Key dates

**Wednesday 16 September
(by 5pm)**

Deadline for receipt of completed nomination forms. We will contact you to let you know that we have received your form.

Saturday 19 September

Nominee training – all nominees must attend

**Thursday 24 September -
Wednesday 30 September**

Online primary election. Perhaps one of the most exciting stages of an election, this election is a process of shortlisting so that voters can select individual candidates from a list of potential candidates. This way voters get to choose who they want to stand. To take place only if we have a large number of young people interested in becoming the Young Mayor.

Saturday 3 October

Candidate training day – all candidates must attend this session designed to assist you to perfect your manifesto, campaign and deliver speeches. You will also be given a campaign toolkit to help make your campaign a success.

**Monday 5 October -
Tuesday 20 October**

Campaigning period

**Wednesday 21 -
Thursday 22 October**

Polling days and election count

For more information please visit the Young Mayor website at www.newham.gov.uk/youngmayor/elections

Good luck!