

# Georgia Military Youth Advisory Council

## APPLICATION

### Applicant Requirements:

The Georgia Military Youth Advisory Council is a new and exciting leadership opportunity for military youth throughout Georgia. This advisory council will consist of sixteen high school-aged youth representing every branch and component of the military. All applicants must be a dependent of a military member in the Active, Reserve, or Guard component. Applicants must be rising Freshmen through rising Seniors in high school for the 2011-2012 school year. The selection committee will include a cross section of military youth programs staff and youth development specialists that will review applications and select the council members to form a diverse and cohesive group to represent the military youth of Georgia.



### Objectives:

The objectives of this innovative initiative is to engage youth in opportunities to build skills in self-responsibility by interacting with military members, elected officials and community serving agencies. Council members will identify issues facing today's military youth and find answers through decision making and dialogue with each other, state and military leaders and adult civilians and military members. Finally, youth will identify solutions through an action planning process to share information in innovative ways with other teens, youth and families throughout Georgia.

### What Is Operation Military Kids?

OMK stands for Operation: Military Kids and is a partnership with the Department of Defense and 4-H Clubs across America. Georgia 4-H brings programming to military youth and families, specifically families affiliated with the National Guard and Reserves. Georgia 4-H also works with seven military installations in Georgia, however all military families, from active to reservists, are welcome to participate.

### Applicants must be able to participate in:

- Military Youth Advisory Council Training Week in Athens, Georgia on June 26-29, 2011
- Other programs, events, or meeting that Military Youth Advisory Council members decide.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Gender \_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Service Branch

- Army
- Marines
- Navy
- Air Force
- Coast Guard

Component

- Active Duty
- National Guard
- Reserves

Deployment Status

- Currently deployed
- Recently returned
- Deployment pending

**Please answer the following questions honestly on a separate sheet of paper:**

- 1) Tell us a little about yourself (interests, activities, volunteering, leadership, and service to others).
- 2) Why do you want to be a Military Youth Advisory Council member (400 word maximum)?
- 3) As a military youth, what issues or topics do you feel are important and why (400 word maximum)?
- 4) How did you hear about the Georgia Military Youth Advisory Council?

**- All applicants must have a school principal, teacher, counselor, a military installation youth programs staff member, or someone of an equivalent nature to write a letter of recommendation in order to be considered for a spot on the Georgia Military Youth Advisory Council.**

*(Please mail application and recommendation letter to address below no later than Wednesday June 1, 2011)*

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