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SHAPING THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW

Wisconsin YMCA
Youth in Government

Join a delegation near you!

- · Door County
- Fond du Lac
- Fox Cities
- Green Bay
- Hortonville
- Manitowoc
- Menominee Nation High School
- Northwoods (Rhinelander)
- Reedsville
- · Statewide (virtual delegation)

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Learn more about the Wisconsin Youth in Government program:



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WHAT IF YOUNG PEOPLE RAN THE GOVERNMENT? At YMCA Youth in Government, they do!

What is Youth in Government?

Youth in Government is an extracurricular, hands-on, civic education program where students in grades 7-12 learn how to be civically engaged in a nonpartisan way.

Local delegations begin gathering in the fall. Students research topics and prepare for presentations for the Model Government Conference at the State Capital.

Youth in Government takes a hands-on approach to involving students in the executive, judicial and legislative branches of government. This includes media which gives students experience in sharing political news in a variety of forms of multimedia.

Important Dates

October 22, 2025 - State Registration Opens January 31, 2026 - Pre-Gov, Green Bay March 6 - 8, 2026 - Model Government, Madison

Cost

\$460

WHAT PROGRAM AREAS CAN I CHOOSE FROM?

Legislative: Senate & Assembly

- · Research and author a bill.
- Debate and defend the bill using parliamentary procedure.
- · Be aware and informed of legislative rules and procedures.
- · Present a bill at Model Gov and work to get it passed.

Judicial: Supreme Court & Court of Appeals

- · Study a case, apply existing law and prepare a court document.
- Prepare and present an oral argument.
- Be aware and informed of judicial rules and procedures.
- Act as a justice at Model Gov.

Media: Print, Broadcast, Marketing

- Cover events and create content at the local level.
- Complete assignments assigned by the Media Director.
- Cover events and create content at Pre–Gov and the Model Government Conference.

^{*}Fee includes transportation, hotel stay, Capitol rental, local meeting supplies, t-shirts, etc.