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APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR
KENNER MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Kenner, LA. – Students interested in working side by side with Kenner Mayor Michael Yenni and members of the City Council have a little more than a week to apply for one of the last spots on the Kenner Mayor's Youth Advisory Council.

The Advisory Council, which formed last year, is only for residents of Kenner attending high school in the metropolitan area or home-schooling in the city, said Kenner Deputy Chief Administrative Office Natalie Newton.

In the past year, Advisory Council members have been asked to present their opinions on various city issues at City Council meetings and have embraced the idea of giving back to their community by raising money to benefit Kenner's Recreation Department.

"The initial council had a very productive first year," Newton said. "Advisory council members learned quite a bit about how their local government works and decided they wanted to make a difference in their hometown by conducting fundraisers to upgrade the playground at Veterans Park. The sky is the limit for this year."

Applications are available at the City of Kenner's website, www.kenner.la.us. Prospective members must include two reference letters and a parental consent form. The application must be postmarked no later than Sept. 5, 2014.

Applications also can be submitted electronically to MYAC@kenner.la.us.

Yenni said one of his main goals for his second term in office, which began July 1, is to continue improvements throughout Kenner that will make the city a more desirable location for young people in the future. He will lean on the advice of the Youth Advisory Council – the future residents of Kenner and elsewhere – to guide those plans.

"So much of what we do in government impacts young people," Yenni said. "Yet their opinion is often not represented. That should not be the case, and with the Advisory Council, we will have that valuable input in Kenner."

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