



# CITY OF KENNER

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### TEN NEW MEMBERS NAMED TO MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Kenner, LA.** – The Mayor's Youth Advisory Council for 2016-17 will include 10 new members from six high schools throughout the New Orleans area.

The new members range in age from 14 to 17. They are:

- Christian Gonzalez, 17, Jesuit
- Ahjah Yunusah, 14, St. Mary's Dominican
- Dylan Blady, 15, Jesuit
- Armando Fuentes, 17, Archbishop Rummel
- Abhishek Jani, 16, Isidore Newman
- Olivia Edwards, 17, St. Mary's Dominican
- Kennedy Andara, 16, Haynes Academy
- Rileigh Levy, 15, Mt. Carmel Academy
- Ghage Fuoco, 17, Louisiana Virtual Charter Academy
- Kevin Kim, 14, Haynes Academy

"This is a diverse and extremely talented group of young people," said Maria Leon, Kenner's Deputy Chief Administrative Officer. "I am excited for them to learn more about Kenner and local government and to make choices on ways in which to help their home town."

An orientation for new members will be held June 1 at 5:15 p.m. and they will be inducted at the June 2 City Council Meeting at 5:15 p.m.

The new members join returning members:

- Madeline Puente, St. Mary's Dominican
- Destiny David, Haynes Academy for Advanced Studies
- Daniel Lau, Riverdale
- Danial Abbas, Riverdale
- Gerald Aviles, Holy Cross High School
- Vanessa Barrios, Mount Carmel
- Brenda Hebert, Archbishop Chappelle

The Youth Council was established three years ago to give Kenner teens an up-close look at local government and the ability to make a difference in their hometown. Since 2013, Kenner elected officials have welcomed feedback from the Youth Council on a variety of issues.

Members must be between 14 and 19 years old and live in Kenner but can be home-schooled or attend any high school in the metro area.

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