

Let the
Leader
in you
shine through!

Application Deadline
May 14, 2010

Please return your completed application according to your Guidance Counselor's directions.

All applicants & schools will be notified in writing of the Selection Committee's decision.

Holy Redeemer
Wilkes-Barre Area
James M. Coughlin
G.A.R. Memorial
E.L. Meyers
Wilkes-Barre Area Career
Center



City of Wilkes-Barre:

Acquaints high school students with community needs and resources which influence the future of the City of Wilkes-Barre

Develops leadership skills and encourages students to interact with city and community leaders, decision-makers and peers from other schools.

Challenges emerging leaders to apply their new knowledge and skills to city projects.

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Kevin Watters – Chairman
Meyers High School

OBJECTIVES

The principal objectives of Wilkes-Barre City Junior Council are to:

- **Encourage students to recognize their own potential and develop their leadership skills.**
- **Acquaint students with city government needs, resources and other factors that influence the direction of Wilkes-Barre City.**
- **Provide opportunities for a diverse group of students to interact with each other and with community leaders and decision makers.**
- **Foster students' interest in volunteer community service.**

REQUIREMENTS

- **All Wilkes-Barre Junior City Council members must attend each scheduled meeting of Wilkes-Barre City Council.**
- **If a member has a conflict with a meeting they must provide a legitimate excuse for missing the meeting.**
- **No member may miss more than (3) meetings for which an excuse for the absence is not provided.**
- **All members must attend Wilkes-Barre City Council meetings and/or Wilkes-Barre City work sessions on the date(s) assigned to them; if there is a conflict with attendance it is the responsibility of the member to find a replacement.**
- **Members attending the meetings and/or work sessions of Wilkes-Barre City Council may be required to address the council on the latest progress and news concerning Wilkes-Barre Junior Council.**
- **Each member must assume equal responsibility concerning the planning and/or execution of all community service projects.**

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Please Note: Typing is highly recommended

Personal Information:

Name (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____

Name you prefer to be called (Nickname) _____ Home Phone _____

Home address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mailing Address (if different) _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Sex M/F _____ Year You Will Graduate _____

Name of School _____

Is this the first time you are applying to Wilkes-Barre Junior Council? Yes No

References

Please give the attached reference forms to any adult who has known you for more than one year, other than a parent or relative. At least one reference must be a current or past teacher. **(These references should be returned directly to you in a sealed envelope to be included in your completed application.)**

1. Name of Reference
Position/Title
Place of Employment
Address
Phone Number

2. Name of Reference
Position/Title
Place of Employment
Address
Phone Number

Please answer each question in the space provided. (No attachments please)

Activities/Organizations

Please list, in order of importance to you, any school, employment, volunteer, religious, social, athletic or other activities/organizations you have participated with the past 2 years. Also, include your length of involvement with each activity.

Select one activity/organization listed above and briefly explain how your participation has been of benefit to you and the organization.

Please type or print using black ink

Confidential reference form for

School

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Your Name

Title

School/Firm/Organization

Address

Signature

Date

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1. For how long and in what capacity have you known the candidate?
 2. On the back of this form or attached, please write a letter of recommendation for the candidate. In the letter, please comment on the candidate's strengths, talents, relationships with his/her peers, as well as the benefits you think the candidate would derive from participation in a leadership development program.
 3. Please use the scale below to compare the candidate with other high school students you have known.

	Excellent	Good	Average	Unable to judge
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Wilkes-Barre City Junior Council
STUDENT SELECTION INFORMATION
FOR THE APPLICANTS TO THE CLASS OF 2010-2011
(Please read carefully)

ELIGIBILITY

Students from Holy Redeemer, Coughlin, G.A.R., and Meyers who will be entering their junior or senior year in the fall of 2010 are eligible. Student must be a resident of Wilkes-Barre City.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Complete the application and **submit** according to the directions of your Guidance Counselor or Student Activities Director.
- Two references from adults (or other than your parents or relatives) who have known you for more than one year must be included in your completed application. At least one reference **MUST** be from a teacher. Please use the enclosed reference forms.
- The application deadline is May 14, 2010.
- Only the first 10 fully completed applications (including the two references) received from each school by the established deadline will be eligible for consideration.

SELECTION

Criteria:

- An expressed interest in understanding and serving The City of Wilkes-Barre
- Enthusiasm and commitment to participate in the program
- Demonstrated or potential leadership ability

Process:

- Using the selection criteria, the Selection Committee will review the first 10 completed applications received from each school.
- The finalists will be invited to a personal interview with the Selection Committee in May 2010.
- One Student will be selected from each school for September, 2010.
- All applicants will be notified in writing of the Selection Committee's decision.

TIPS TO APPLICANTS

- Neatness counts. It is to your advantage to type the application.
- All answers and essays are required to be on the application form. No attachments will be reviewed.
- Please note that the essays are heavily weighed by the Selection Committee.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact:

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