



Junior Council Person Application

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Atglen Borough Junior Council Person (JCP) Program. This is a unique leadership opportunity for local teenagers. As a JCP, you will have the opportunity to help shape our community by giving it a next generation voice and getting involved in meaningful projects, all while learning about the workings of local and state government. Preferred applicants are junior and senior high school students who reside within the Borough. Freshmen and sophomores may be considered if there are no previously mentioned applicants.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

Since 2000, the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB) has been promoting and encouraging high school students to get involved in borough government by becoming a JCP. Since that time, hundreds of students have participated in the JCP Program in boroughs throughout the state. The JCP Program is an outstanding opportunity for young leaders of the boroughs to participate in the governing process of their own communities and spark an interest for their potential involvement in the future. The PSAB and Atglen Borough believe that the outreach of both the community to the youth and the youth to the community is the start of building our boroughs for future generations to come.

JUNIOR COUNCIL MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Provide current and "next generation" insights to council using strong communications skills (including written, verbal, photography, video and web).
2. Interest in learning about the process and procedures of local government.
3. Serve as a constant, positive representative of Atglen Borough and the surrounding community.
4. Attend monthly Council meetings, budget sessions and other "special" meetings as appropriate.
5. Participate in related community projects and events.
6. Observe all borough council meeting rules.
7. JCPs can NOT: Vote or attend "Executive" Sessions.

COUNCIL TERM:

1. One-year term runs September - June.
2. Maximum of two terms (JCP must reapply for consideration of second-year term)
3. Maximum of two JCP members per year

If you are ready for the challenge of leadership and interested in becoming a Junior Council member, please complete the attached application and return it to the Atglen Borough Office, 120 W Main Street, Atglen. Applications are accepted from April 1 to June 30. Interviews are conducted during the month of July with the appointment(s) being made in August. Please contact the Borough Office, or me, if you have questions about this unique opportunity.

Sincerely,

George E. Stewart

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Mayor, Atglen Borough
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School Term Year: 2018-19

Part I

Junior Council Applicant

Name: _____ Gender: Male Female Birthdate: _____

Borough Resident Since: _____

Permanent Address

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Current School Information

School District: _____

School Name: _____

Current Grade: _____ Graduation Year: _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Parent/Guardian: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact Information

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Part II (use back page of application if additional space is needed)

Special Talents/Skills

Please list any special talents or skills which you are proud of: _____

Extra Curricular Clubs/Activities

Please list any activities you are currently participating in: _____

Volunteer Community Involvement or Leadership Experience

For each experience, please list organization, supervisor, date/time of year approximate number of hours volunteered and a brief summary of your responsibilities:

Project: _____ Supervisor: _____ Date(s): _____ Approx. Hrs: _____

Summary of responsibilities: _____

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Work Experience (if applicable)

Please list and current and or past work experience, including your position, employer, and dates of employment, supervisor and brief description of your responsibilities:

Position: _____ Employer: _____

Supervisor: _____ Date(s) Employed: _____

Summary of responsibilities: _____

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Part III (Please submit typed responses on separate sheet of paper)

Short Essays (For this next section, please take some time to consider your answers and write an appropriate length response for each question)

Why are you interested in being a JCP?

What specific abilities do you feel you possess that can help provide next generation insights to council?

How do you feel you will benefit from participating in the JCP Program?

Being a JCP requires great responsibility. If you were going to prove that you were a responsible person, what things could you tell us about that would show this?

Long Essay (Please answer this question in 250-500 words)

Please think for a moment about something that you've done in your life so far that was a real challenge. It should be something that you feel proud about. What was it? How did you do it? What was the secret to your success? Did you ever feel like quitting? How did you keep yourself going? What did you learn from this experience?

Part IV

References (Please list three references that we may contact)

Personal Reference:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

School Reference:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Community Reference:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Acknowledgment

- I acknowledge that I have filled out this application on my own and that everything in this application is truthful and accurate.
- I understand that if I am selected as a JCP, I will accept the position with responsibility and fulfill all duties and expectations of the position.
- My parent/guardian acknowledges and supports my application as a JCP for Atglen Borough.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____