

WHAT IS BEING A YOUTH SPEAKER ALL ABOUT?

The Youth Speaker position is for youth 25 years of age and under. Youth Speakers receive an honorarium for their participation and includes a paid training component.

JOB DESCRIPTION...

Youth speaker responsibilities:

- Share a prepared speech during assembly/presentations for schools and community groups such as conferences and parent groups
- Willingness to accept feedback from the team coach, audience and other youth speakers; use it to develop speech
- Ensure important messages for audiences are included throughout the presentation
- Participate in question and answer period with honesty and integrity
- Attend all speaker training sessions and other meetings
- Perform duties within the Youth Speaker Guidelines

Positive attributes that we look for in youth speakers:

- Reliable and team player
- Honest, open-minded and positive attitude
- Warm and non-judgmental
- Commitment to the team
- Inclusive and courageous
- Self-respect and respect for others

BENEFITS TO BECOMING A YOUTH SPEAKER...

Not only do you get paid to be a part of something so amazing, meet awesome people and feel so good about making a difference, but you also benefit in these ways:

- Develop leadership and public speaking skills, self-esteem, self-awareness and confidence

- Support through networking opportunities, positive relationships, mentoring and information about counseling if you choose
- Increased understanding of diversity, inclusivity and character
- Opportunity to attend conferences, workshops and to be invited on planning committees
- Community hours and reference for work or school

HOW TO GET STARTED TO BECOMING A YOUTH SPEAKER...

1. Read our mission and vision statements to see if YouthSpeak is right for you
2. Fill in our online speaker application form
3. Once the application is received, your reference(s) will be checked
4. Then you will be invited to come out and watch a presentation to see what YouthSpeak does best
5. Check in with Team Coach to see if YouthSpeak is right for you

PAY STRUCTURE...

YouthSpeak has a three level system that denotes different levels of pay. Level one is someone who is just starting out, level two is someone who has some experience and still needs support when speaking and level three is someone who is very experienced and who needs minimal support when speaking.

Occasionally you may be asked to help out on a volunteer basis, but you will always be informed ahead of time when it is volunteer.

FOR MORE INFORMATION...

For more information please feel free to connect with Una Wright, Founder / Team Coach una@youthspeak.ca or please call **905-967-0604**