



# CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

2000 Main Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92648-2702

INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR

## 2022/23 YOUTH BOARD

The City of Huntington Beach is now accepting applications for City Council appointees to the Youth Board. The board will hold monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month at 3:30 p.m.

**OBJECTIVES:**

To act as a voluntary advisory board to the Huntington Beach City Council regarding youth achievements, problems and needs. The board will represent, involve and promote youth participation in community affairs, including planning, and implementation of Youth in Government Day.

**COMPOSITION:**

The board will consist of nine members for a term of one year.

Vacancies are as follows:

- 1 – General At-Large Representatives (students attending any high school qualify for this position)
- 1 – Edison High School Representative (only students attending EHS qualify for this position)
- 1 – Marina High School Representative (only students attending MHS qualify for this position)
- 1 – Ocean View High School Representative (only students attending OVHS qualify for this position)

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

All members must be City of Huntington Beach residents and attending school in 9th through 12th grades. They cannot be employed by the City of Huntington Beach.

**EMAIL APPS TO:**

**Molly Uemura, Specific Events Supervisor**  
Community & Library Services Dept., City of Huntington Beach  
[molly.uemura@surfcity-hb.org](mailto:molly.uemura@surfcity-hb.org)

Submit application on the back of this flyer.

**DEADLINE:**

**Applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, 2022. No late submissions will be accepted.**

Qualified applicants will be invited for an interview. Date to be determined.

**QUESTIONS:**

Direct any questions to Youth Board Liaison, Molly Uemura at (714) 374-5312, or [molly.uemura@surfcity-hb.org](mailto:molly.uemura@surfcity-hb.org).

# YOUTH BOARD APPLICATION

5/28/22  
Date of Application

10/26/2006  
Date of Birth

15  
Age

NAME (Last) Wong (First) Kai

PHONE # [REDACTED]

E-MAIL [REDACTED]

ADDRESS

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Number

Street

City

Zip Code

SCHOOL ATTENDING Huntington Beach High School GRADE IN 2022/2023 (next year) 10th

***What do you feel qualifies you to represent the youth of the community?***

I feel as if I am qualified to represent the youth of the community because I exemplify the ideologies of leadership, integrity, and service to others in my daily life. First, my love and passion for being a leader is something that started in elementary school. Ever since I was a child in elementary school, I have always looked up to those working towards making a difference in the community. Since then, I promised myself that I would always push myself to be that leader. In 4th grade, I became part of my elementary school's student council/ASB. I wanted to get involved even more in middle school. At Mesa View Middle School, I was elected Treasurer and President, and was also picked as the "Student of the Year." Despite the challenges of Covid, we still were able to host school dances, spirit days, assemblies, and Open Houses promoting school spirit, pride, and kindness. One proud example of giving back to the community is my idea to collect thank you notes, cards, and uplifting messages for a local hospital during the peak of Covid-19. It truly meant the world to me that I was making a difference in the lives of our hospital heroes to show them how much they were appreciated and celebrated. My love for leadership has continued this year as I am on Huntington Beach High School's ASB and APA Student Council. In ASB, we promote school spirit and encourage student involvement on campus to make our campus a friendly, positive, and inclusive place for all. On the APA council, I help with volunteering and making sure that every APA student feels welcomed and encouraged to pursue their dreams. Through hard work and dedication, I have been able to maintain my 4.4 GPA during the first semester of high school. I am also highly involved in clubs like BRIDGES, Seniors at Sunrise, Amnesty International, Red Cross, Feminism, Library Club, and Key Club, which all include volunteering with HBHS or the community. I also enjoy being a Greeter and Docent at the Shipley Nature Center, where I have been able to learn how NGOs and nonprofits work. Clearly, I believe that I am able to exemplify the ideologies of leadership, integrity, and service to others in my daily life, all of which are pillars of character that are essential for an individual to possess to be on the Youth Board.

***Why are you interested in serving on the Youth Board, and what do you feel you can contribute to the Board?***

I am interested in serving on the Youth Board because I want to get more involved with the HB community. Although I am able to be engaged with HB through volunteering and club work, I want to take new action within the local government. As someone who may be interested in working in the government in the future, I think that being on the Youth Board would provide me with valuable experience and insight into potential positions I could do in the future. Last month I was a participant in Youth In Government Day. I got a glimpse into what being a part of the HB government looks like, and that is something that I want to do! Thus, serving on the Youth Board could be an opportunity for me to be able to do exactly that.

Following, what I feel I can contribute to the board is my leadership, outreach, and organizational and communication skills. To start, I have a wide range of leadership experience in all aspects of life, whether it be in a school-wide, city-wide, or even state-wide level. Through clubs, volunteering, and NGOs, I have been able to work in leadership positions that have allowed me to learn valuable information on leading others through all circumstances and situations, making me fit to do the same on Youth Board. Additionally, my outreach is a quality that I have due to my plentiful involvement with the HB community. Due to my participation in a variety of different organizations and programs, I have been able to network and set myself up for success in regards to being able to potentially market different things to make a difference. Thus, I could use the connections that I have built up to spread awareness of the Youth Board, allowing others to raise concerns about what is happening in the community to board members along with helping make the Youth Board more known. Finally, my organizational and communication skills have helped keep many of the organizations that I am a part of successful. With them originally not being able to room smoothly and efficiently, I have been able to put my own skills to use to help organize and coordinate communication between different members and businesses to increase productivity and collaboration. I believe that I would be able to apply these skills to the Youth Board, as I could be someone to rely on to make sure all of the work done on the board is done neatly and efficiently in tandem with ensuring all members of the board are communicating effectively, especially in regards to decision making and attendance. In conclusion, through all of these skills, I believe I would be able to contribute and make a difference if I serve on the HB Youth Board.

***List clubs and organizations you are affiliated with and any past or present offices.***

Key Club Division News Editor	HBHS Freshman and Sophomore Class President
HBHS UNICEF Treasurer	2016-Present ASB/Student Council and 2021-Present APA Council
HBHS Amnesty International Historian	Board of Directors at Shipley Nature Center
HBHS Red Cross President	Library Club and Feminism Club Executive Board

**\*Please submit two letters of recommendation. One must be from a member of your school faculty.**

*Kai Wong*  
Signature

5/28/22  
Date



# Huntington Beach High School

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Daniel Morris  
Principal

Edward Begany  
Assistant Principal

Dave Yonts  
Assistant Principal

Brenna Orr  
Assistant Principal

Stacy Robison  
Assistant Principal

Billy Wilson  
Assistant Principal

May 27, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Kai Wong. I have known Kai for one year as a fantastic student in my Honors English class. Kai is a student who possesses a wonderful combination of qualities which make him a great candidate for a leadership position with the Huntington Beach Youth Board. He is focused, hard-working, and has an impressive ability to bring his peers together. In English, Kai always brings insightful contributions to the class. He is always willing to help others, happy to work as a team, and ready to develop creative ideas.

Kai is a dedicated student who has earned an impressive 4.4 GPA. In addition to taking rigorous classes, including Model United Nations and other honors courses, Kai is very involved on campus. He has been a part of ASB from elementary through high school. He is the current freshman class president and has been voted as next year's sophomore class president as well. Kai is also an active member of the Academy of Performing arts on campus. He is involved with six clubs on campus, on the Board of Directors at the Shipley Nature Center, and has completed over 150 hours of community service.

In addition to being an outstanding academic student and volunteer in the community, Kai maintains a kindness and optimism that will take him far. I believe he will be a great addition to the HB Youth Board. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at feel free to contact me at [gtrelease-gordon@hbuhds.edu](mailto:gtrelease-gordon@hbuhds.edu).

Sincerely,

Geneva Trelease-Gordon  
Huntington Beach High School  
English Teacher | Journalism Adviser

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