



**City of Hinesville News Release**  
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## **City Empowers Youth to Get Involved with Local Government** *Applications to Serve on the Hinesville Youth Council Now Available*

**HINESVILLE, Ga. (August 12, 2021)** – Young people who engage with their local government often become active citizens as adults. In this spirit, the City of Hinesville created the Hinesville Youth Council in 2019. Since then, young men and women have actively contributed to the decision-making process of local leaders. As the new school year begins, the City is once again accepting applications from youth in grades 9-12 to serve on its Hinesville Youth Council. Applications can be found at [cityofhinesville.org](http://cityofhinesville.org). The deadline to apply is Sept. 17.

“Bringing together youth and government can transform communities, including ours,” City Manager Kenneth Howard said. “We’re very excited to provide the Hinesville Youth Council program and look forward to engaging with our area’s youth.”

To be eligible to participate, youth must reside in the Hinesville city limits, attend a private or public school within Hinesville and Liberty County and be in good academic standing with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5. The Hinesville Youth Council is comprised of 12 seats, including 11 Councilmembers and one Clerk. Youth who are elected to the council must agree to a Coded of Conduct, commit to serving at least one full term of two years and attend a Swearing-In Ceremony. They must all attend routine Youth Council and Hinesville City Council meetings.

Serving on the Hinesville Youth Council is very rewarding according to pervious participants. Applications to serve on the council will be accepted until Sept. 17. For a complete application package that includes a schedule and list of requirements, visit [cityofhinesville.org](http://cityofhinesville.org).

This program is offered through the City’s Clerks Office. To learn more about City, visit [cityofhinesville.org](http://cityofhinesville.org). Stay up-to-date with the City by following @HinesvilleGA on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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### **ABOUT THE CITY OF HINESVILLE:**

The City of Hinesville was established in 1837 and is recognized as one of the fastest growing cities in the State of Georgia in both size and population. As the largest city in Liberty County, it serves as the county seat and is home to more than 35,000 people. To learn more about the City of Hinesville, visit [cityofhinesville.org](http://cityofhinesville.org).