



## **Get Real Teen Council Application 2014/2015**

**To apply online:** <http://bit.ly/GRTC20142015>

### **Our Vision**

*Our vision is to provide accurate, unbiased, and useful sexuality education; and to end ignorance, promote acceptance, and improve communication between teens and the important people in their lives.*

### **Who We Are**

*Get Real Teen Council* is made up of diverse students from local high schools. We strive to create councils with members who have different beliefs, viewpoints, and backgrounds and work actively to build a group that is anti-racist, anti-sexist, and anti-homophobic.

No one is expected to already know about sexual health and prevention issues.

### **What We Do**

- We create peer-to-peer dialogue.
- We make presentations on various topics such as healthy relationships, communication, delaying sex, family communication, protection methods, STIs and HIV, and more!
- We share sexual health information with our peers.
- We participate in weekly meetings and trainings to increase our knowledge and skills.
- We work to change the world!

### **What GRTC Members Get**

- Free, mandatory, retreat training from the evening of September 5<sup>th</sup> thru the afternoon of September 7<sup>th</sup>
- Dinner provided at every meeting
- Charlie Cards/Public Transit Funds – for those who need them
- Community Service hours
- Facilitation, sexual health and social justice training
- The opportunity to be a leader and make a difference in your community

### **Requirements to Be on *Get Real Teen Council***

You must:

- Be a 10<sup>th</sup>-, 11<sup>th</sup>-, or 12<sup>th</sup>-grade student at the start of the 2014/15 school year.
- Be interested in providing accurate sexual health information to your peers.
- Budget your time well and keep up with your academic work.
- Attend the mandatory three-day, overnight retreat which will be for a weekend in late August/early September. Exact date is TBD. (Note: it's free of charge).
- Commit to weekly meetings from 6:00-8:30pm.
- Miss some school to make presentations (about one day per month once presentations begin).
- Make *Get Real Teen Council* your extracurricular priority—over work, clubs, sports, etc. If you are doing more than one other extracurricular activity, ask yourself if you really have the time to commit to this program!

Name:

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Address:

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City: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Best way to contact you: Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/guardian(s) name(s):

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School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade you are in right now: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Interviewing for *Get Real Teen Council***

If you are selected for an interview, you'll receive a call with further instructions. Don't worry; it will be fun!

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### **References**

Please provide the name and contact information of an adult who can be a reference for you. Choose someone who knows you from an educational setting, like a teacher, a school counselor, a coach, a school administrator, or an adult from any other activity that you participate in. This person should not be a parent, guardian or family friend.

Name of reference:

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E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_



3. a) *Get Real Teen Council* is a huge time commitment—we meet weekly during the school year. What other things will you be involved in? Include work, sports, music, clubs, etc.

b) Members are expected to make presentations in schools at least once a month. Please explain, in detail, how you plan to prioritize your time and schedule so that you are able to attend all *Get Real Teen Council* weekly meetings as well as monthly school presentations.

4. Tell us about a time you helped a friend or peer resolve a question or problem.

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## Questions?

Contact Shira Cahn-Lipman at 617-616-1671 or [Scahn-Lipman@pplm.org](mailto:Scahn-Lipman@pplm.org)

Thanks for applying and for your interest in peer education!



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