

Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce

JUNIOR BOARD

The mission of the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce is to create a healthy business climate which allows for the whole community to thrive. Like most stewards of the community, we are working to leave a better place for the next generation; but we believe the best way to ensure success is to get the next generation involved NOW.

The Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce Junior Board is designed to be that outlet. This group will be composed of high school students and junior college students (ages 15 to 20) who share an interest in promoting the community and business prosperity through advocacy and network development.

Mission of the Junior Board

The mission of the Junior Board is to learn how to become leaders in sustaining the business environment and affect change in their schools, neighborhoods, and community.

What do Junior Board Members do?

- Learn about the community of Reedley and the businesses and organizations within
- Learn how to conduct meetings, outreach, public speaking, group decision-making
- Develop project ideas, project management and implementation

Benefits of being a Junior Board Member:

- Gain a high quality, organized, and focused volunteer experience
- Learn to collaborate with local businesses, city government, and other community agencies and organizations
- Learn how to lead and follow for community betterment
- Serve as Ambassadors for the Reedley Chamber and the City of Reedley

Who can apply?

- Young people between the ages of 15-20 who live or attend school in the Reedley area
- Anyone interested in helping their community
- Want to learn about leadership development, action planning and group decision-making
- Like working in groups, expressing opinions, and having fun

What is the time commitment?

- Five months starting in January 2021 and ending in May 2021. Time commitment requirements include the following:
- Attend the first board meeting through Zoom on January 27, 2021, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- Monthly board meetings will typically be held the 4th Wednesday at 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Tentative meeting schedule:

- January 27, 2021 – Orientation
- February 24, 2021
- March 31, 2021
- April 28, 2021
- May 26, 2021

Students must coordinate their own transportation to and from meetings.

Attendance:

To remain a member in good standing, students may not have more than two (2) unexcused absences.

- Committee Meetings will be called as needed.
- Volunteer Opportunities

Tentative volunteer schedule:

Community Clean Up
February 6, 2021
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Chamber Awards Gala
April 17, 2021
5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Recruitment Process:

- Complete the application packet which includes: Application Form, Commitment Statement, and Participation Agreement or Parent Permission Form (for those under the age of 18) by **January 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.**
- Please submit signed copies by email to erik@reedleychamber.com or deliver to the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce Office, 1633 11th Street. *Notice: Due to Covid-19, office hours vary. We ask that you contact us ahead of time if you plan to deliver your application. You may also slide the application through the front door if no one is available.*
- You will be notified as soon as possible within submission of your application.

GRCC JUNIOR BOARD APPLICATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____ City and Zip Code _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Email address _____ School _____

Age _____ Birthdate _____ Shirt Size (circle one) S M L XL 2XL

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN (Information required for applicants under the age of 18.)

Name(s) _____

Address _____ City and Zip Code _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Email address _____

Briefly tell us about yourself:

Why do you want to serve on the Junior Board? _____

What are you hoping to learn or do while being a part of the Junior Board? _____

Please list any skills or experiences you have that you feel could benefit the Junior Board. _____

From time to time, the Greater Reedley Chamber may provide food or snacks. Please list any dietary restrictions and/or food allergies we should be aware of.

PARTICIPANTS COMMITMENT STATEMENT

I, _____, understand that the Junior Board of the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce is an important leadership role for youth. If accepted, I am fully prepared to fulfill the commitment that is asked of all members including being a good representative for the youth of Reedley, working hard to make a positive change and being a positive role model for other youth.

I have also discussed the time commitment with my parents or legal guardian, teachers, sport coaches, employer, and other activity programs, and can make a serious time commitment given my responsibilities.

During board sessions, I will not be using electronic devices for uses outside of Junior Board requirements. I agree to be respectful to all the speakers and engage in class discussions.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ Date: _____

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

(For applicants 18 and older)

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY for Accidents/Injury: I agree that my activities as a volunteer for the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce are undertaken at my sole risk, and that the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce shall not be liable for any claims for injuries or damages whatsoever to my person or property arising out of or connected with my actions as a volunteer. I agree to indemnify and to hold the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce harmless for all claims and/or liability for me or to me. I also agree that this waiver and release shall apply to my heir(s), executor(s), and administrator(s). I have carefully read this Waiver/Release, I understand its contents, and I intend to be bound to its terms.

PHOTO RELEASE for valuable consideration, receipt of which is acknowledged, I grant to the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce the right to use my photograph, portrait, likeness, or testimonial in the manner indicated below.

I agree to release and hold harmless all shareholders, directors, officers, employees, and agents of the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce from any activity, error, or omission associated with the reproduction of my photograph, portrait, likeness, or testimonial.

I have carefully read this release and understand its contents. I am aware that this is an assignment and release of liability, and a contract between myself and all of the releases. I sign it of my own free will.

COVID-19 NOTICE: *The Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce is taking enhanced health and safety measures—for you and our other participants. You must follow all posted instructions. An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, senior citizens and individuals with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable. By participating you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19. As a precaution, masks will be required for participation and social distancing protocols will be implemented for in person gatherings. Please help keep each other healthy.*

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ Date: _____

PARENT PERMISSION
(For applicants under the age of 18)

I, _____ the parent/legal guardian for _____, understand and agree with the mission and goals of the Junior Board of the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce and support her/him in this commitment, and give permission for full participation in all activities, meetings, field trips and responsibilities pertaining to the duties of a Junior Board Member.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY for Accidents/Injury: I agree that my child's activities as a volunteer for the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce are undertaken at their sole risk, and that the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce shall not be liable for any claims for injuries or damages whatsoever to them or their property arising out of or connected with their actions as a volunteer. I agree to indemnify and to hold the Greater Reedley Chamber of Commerce harmless for all claims and/or liability for me or to me, or if I am signing on behalf of a minor, that minor. I also agree that this waiver and release shall apply to my heir(s), executor(s), and administrator(s). I have carefully read this Waiver/Release, I understand its contents, and I intend to be bound to its terms.

I AGREE TO TRANSPORT OR ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION FOR MY CHILD TO AND FROM JUNIOR BOARD MEETINGS/EVENTS AT A TIMELY MANNER.

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