



## **KITSAP COUNTY COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH AGENDA February 5, 2026, 4:30-6:00pm**

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### **THE PURPOSE OF THIS BOARD IS TO:**

**Advise** County Commissioners and residents on the needs of children, youth, and families based on periodic assessments

**Facilitate** Coordination of information among agencies to maximize resources

**Advocate** for an environment that fosters healthy, self-sufficient, responsible, and productive children, youth and families

**4:30 WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

**4:40 APPROVAL - MINUTES/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

**4:50 YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

**5:00 GRANT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL APPROVAL OF DRAFT**

**5:20 ANNUAL WORK PLAN APPROVAL OF DRAFT**

**5:40 PROJECT UPDATES & ACTIVITIES**

**5:50 ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT (3 min. limit)**

**6:00 ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING – MARCH 5, 2026**

To provide public comment during the meeting, click on the hand icon at the bottom of the screen to “raise your hand.” The chair or designee will call upon the attendee to speak at the designated time. Public comment may also be submitted in advance to be read by staff or the chair during the meeting. Email comments by 12:00 p.m. the day before the meeting to [Lhyde@kitsap.gov](mailto:Lhyde@kitsap.gov).

# Kitsap County Commission on Children and Youth

AGENDA BRIEFING – February 5, 2026

4:30 P.M. –6:00 P.M.

The meeting link is provided on the agenda and on our webpage

[kitsapgov.com/hs/Pages/CCY-Advisory-Board.aspx](http://kitsapgov.com/hs/Pages/CCY-Advisory-Board.aspx)

**4:30 p.m. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

Co-Chairpersons Abigail Stevenson and Elsa Drugge will welcome attendees and facilitate brief introductions. The board will meet virtually this month.

**4:40 p.m. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

January Meeting Minutes will be approved and any changes to the February Agenda will be approved.

**4:50 p.m. YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

Youth Representatives on the Commission and youth guests will have an opportunity to update the Commission on youth issues and activities in their community.

**5:00 p.m. GRANT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL APPROVAL OF DRAFT**

The Leadership Team will share the draft of our 2026 grant *Programs That Prevent and Reduce the Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) Through Building Resiliency*. The board will discuss and approve the draft.

**5:30 p.m. ANNUAL WORK PLAN APPROVAL OF DRAFT**

The Leadership Team and staff will share the draft 2026 Work Plan. The board will discuss and approve the draft.

**PROJECT UPDATES & ACTIVITIES**

The leadership team and staff will offer project updates and upcoming activities.

**5:50 p.m. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE LIMIT)**

Members of the board & the public will announce events & share comments.

**6:00 p.m. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING:**

The next monthly meeting will be held on March 5, 2026, the first Thursday of the month.

# Kitsap County Commission on Children and Youth

## MINUTES January 8, 2026

The Kitsap County Commission on Children and Youth meeting was held on Thursday January 8, 2026, from 4:30 -6:00 p.m. The board met online via Zoom and in-person at 507 Austin Ave. Port Orchard, WA. Elsa Drugge facilitated this meeting and called the meeting to order. Laura Hyde served as staff and recorder.

### I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Board Co-chairperson Elsa Drugge called the meeting to order and asked members and guests for self-introductions. It was noted that Abigail Stevenson is unable to attend this month's meeting. Attendees offered introductions.

### II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES/AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

December meeting minutes were approved and entered into the record. The January Agenda was approved.

### III. YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

The youth present offered youth representative reports to the board.

### IV. PRESENTATION – KITSAP REGIONAL LIBRARY FOUNDATION

Glenna Matteson and Kari Driskell shared information about the Kitsap Regional Library's project funded this year through our 2025 grant funding for the *Programs That Prevent and Reduce the Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) Through Building Resiliency* grant.

### V. PRESENTATION – KITSAP REGIONAL LIBRARY FOUNDATION

Diana Sullivan shared information about the Boys & Girls Clubs of South Puget Sound's project at the Barker Creek Community School (Kitsap County) funded this year through our 2025 grant funding for the *Programs That Prevent and Reduce the Impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) Through Building Resiliency* grant.

### PROJECT UPDATES & ACTIVITIES

Laura Hyde shared information about the planning of the Youth Forum. The date has been set as March 19<sup>th</sup>, and the location will be at Olympic College. This event will be held in the evening from 5:30-7:30pm.

### VII. ANNOUNCEMENT/PUBLIC COMMENT

The board and guests shared announcements. We are currently recruiting Youth Board Representatives.

### VIII. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on February 5, 2026. We plan to meet online only via zoom as Laura Hyde will be facilitating the meeting remotely while attending training.

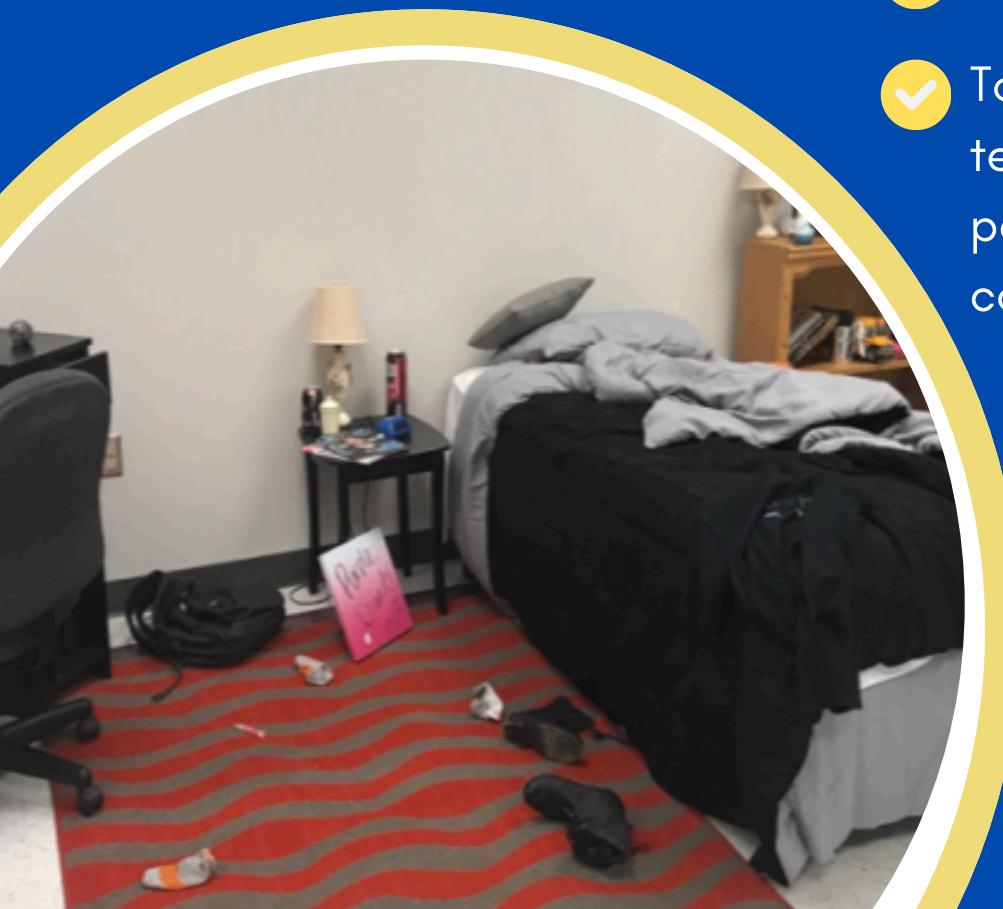
## **VIII. ATTENDANCE**

# HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT

Join us to learn about current trends, how to recognize common warning signs and how to talk to youth about these important issues.

**MUST BE 21+ to attend**

Click on link below to join:  
[Hidden in Plain Sight](#)

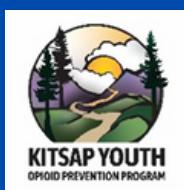
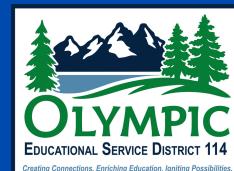


THURSDAY  
**MARCH 12**  
**VIRTUAL**

6-8PM

THE PRESENTATION  
WILL COVER:

- Identification and discussion of items and how they may indicate problem or risky behaviors
- Popular local youth trends
- Tools to help navigate the teen years and discussion points for family conversations



# ESCONDIDA A LA VISTA

Únase a nosotros para aprender sobre las tendencias actuales, cómo reconocer señales de advertencia comunes y cómo hablar con los jóvenes sobre estos temas importantes.

**Debes tener más de 21  
años para asistir**

Haga clic en el siguiente enlace:

[Hidden in Plain Sight](#)

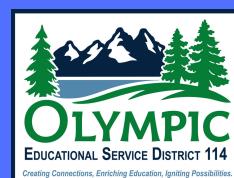


**JUEVES  
12 DE MARZO  
VIRTUAL**

**6-8PM**

**LA PRESENTACIÓN  
CUBRIRÁ**

- Identificación y análisis de artículos y cómo pueden indicar un problema o comportamientos de riesgo.
- Tendencias juveniles locales populares
- Herramientas para ayudar a navegar la adolescencia y puntos de discusión para la conversación familiar



# Kitsap Youth Forum 2026

March 19<sup>th</sup> | 4:30pm - 7:00pm | OC Bremerton



## What is the Youth Forum?

We will have multiple local policy makers present to listen to your ideas and concerns. Your fresh perspectives can contribute to the creation of laws, rules and regulations for the future!



## Let us know if you're coming!

Register at:

[bit.ly/KitsapYouthForum26](https://bit.ly/KitsapYouthForum26)

or scan the QR code:



## Where is it?

Olympic College, Bremerton

Building 4, Room 129

1600 Chester Ave., Bremerton, WA



Questions? Please contact: [youthforum@kitsappublichealth.org](mailto:youthforum@kitsappublichealth.org)



The Kitsap Youth Rally for Human Rights will be held on **Tuesday, March 24, 2026**, at **Olympic College, Bremerton Campus**. This year's school host is Olympic High School.

### **The theme for 2026 is 'Be Your Own Influencer.'**

**What's a Youth Rally?** It's a gathering of students from all over the Kitsap Peninsula, with music and student-led workshops about social justice and human rights. The Rally is sponsored by Kitsap Safe Schools Network.

**What will the schedule be at the Rally ?** On-site check-in of registered student groups in the Bremer Center at Olympic College starts at 8 AM, the programming starts at 8:50 AM (with *three* breakout session *and* snacks), and the rally is over at 1:20 PM. The lunch period will be exclusively devoted to giving time for students to browse outreach tables from community organizations.

We are pleased to announce that **we are now accepting registrations for student groups and proposals for breakout sessions**. Here are the links to the forms:

**[2026 Kitsap Youth Rally Breakout Session Proposal - DUE January 16](#)**

**[2026 Kitsap Youth Rally Registration Form - DUE February 13](#)**

**[Kitsap Youth Rally Slide Show](#)**

# HearMeWA

The Attorney General's Office is recruiting members for the HearMeWA Youth Advisory Group.

The HearMeWA Youth Advisory Group was created to ensure that HearMeWA is and stays youth centered.

Members will be compensated for their time and effort and will provide input on the HearMeWA program. Meetings take place on Zoom and the dates and times are below:

- **Tuesday, February 17th 2026, 6pm**
- **Tuesday, April 21st 2026, 6pm**
- **Tuesday, June 16th 2026, 6pm**
- **Tuesday, August 18th 2026, 6pm**
- **Tuesday, October 20th 2026, 6pm**
- **Tuesday, December 15th 2026, 6pm**

**APPLY TODAY**



## Be part of the Youth Advisory Group

### Youth will have the opportunity to:

- **Be in conversation** with their peers and make suggestions when it comes to HearMeWA's outreach and engagement and program feedback.
- **Gain leadership opportunities** by facilitating and conducting meetings, composing notes, and holding the group accountable to its purpose and community agreements.
- **Become more knowledgeable** and conscious about community issues and the larger factors that affect youth lives.
- **Provide a youth perspective** to the HearMeWA Program.
- **Represent the HearMeWA Youth Advisory Group** at events to create awareness about the program.

Youth between the ages of 10-25 who reside in Washington State can apply to be a member. Youth who are motivated and committed to learning and addressing issues related to youth, have a vision for the future, and are not afraid to voice their opinions in a respectful way are highly encouraged to apply.

Information youth provide during meetings and in this application could be subject to public records requests. Youth must have access to a smart phone or a computer for Zoom meetings.

The deadline to submit an application is the end of the day, January 2nd, 2026. Applications will be thoroughly reviewed and applicants can expect to hear about their submission by January 22nd, 2026.