

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street No. Street City Postal Code  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION**

B.C. Medical Number (i.e. CareCard Number): \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #(s): \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Alternate Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #(s): \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_  
Please indicate if you are vegetarian or have any food allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please Note:* Unless arrangements are made in advance, participants will be expected to administer their own medication if any has been prescribed for them. Please notify the Chief Returning Officer of any chronic medical problems (i.e. severe asthma, allergies) that might require emergency treatment and explain the emergency treatment that might be necessary.

**SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION**

Applicants must be nominated by a youth organisation with which they are associated (e.g. school, club, community service organisation). Please have your principal, teacher or group coordinator complete the first part of this section and three other members of the organisation fill out the second.

*Sponsor:* "I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name of principal/teacher/group coordinator), do hereby nominate this applicant to stand for election to Vancouver Youth Parliament as a representative of \_\_\_\_\_ (name of school or youth organization)."

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Nominators:* "We the undersigned, do hereby nominate this applicant to represent us at Vancouver Youth Parliament."  
Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSENT AND WAIVER**

In consideration for acceptance to Vancouver Youth Parliament (VYP), the undersigned on behalf of the Applicant and all heirs, executors and administrators, consents to all necessary medical treatment and waives any and all claims for damages against VYP, the British Columbia Youth Parliament (BCYP), and the Youth Parliament of British Columbia Alumni Society, and their directors, officers, and agents for any and all injuries or loss which the Applicant may suffer during, or in connection with any VYP or BCYP Session, trip, or any other activity or transportation to or from Session or any other activity.

Parental Consent: "I have read the accompanying material and do hereby allow my son/daughter to attend Vancouver Youth Parliament." (Mandatory)

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PUBLICITY AND PROMOTIONAL CONSENT**

From time to time, the Vancouver or British Columbia Youth Parliament may use individual or group photos of Members for promotional purposes in newspapers, on bulletin boards at Youth Parliament events, on web pages, in press releases, in media packages, in newsletters and in slide or video shows.

Parental Consent: "I hereby do/do not (circle one) consent to my son's/daughter's name and photo being used for publicity and promotional purposes. I understand that if I do not consent to the use of my son/daughter/ward's likeness in public relations materials, my son/my daughter/my ward may be excluded from certain activities or events at Session, including the official group photo."

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

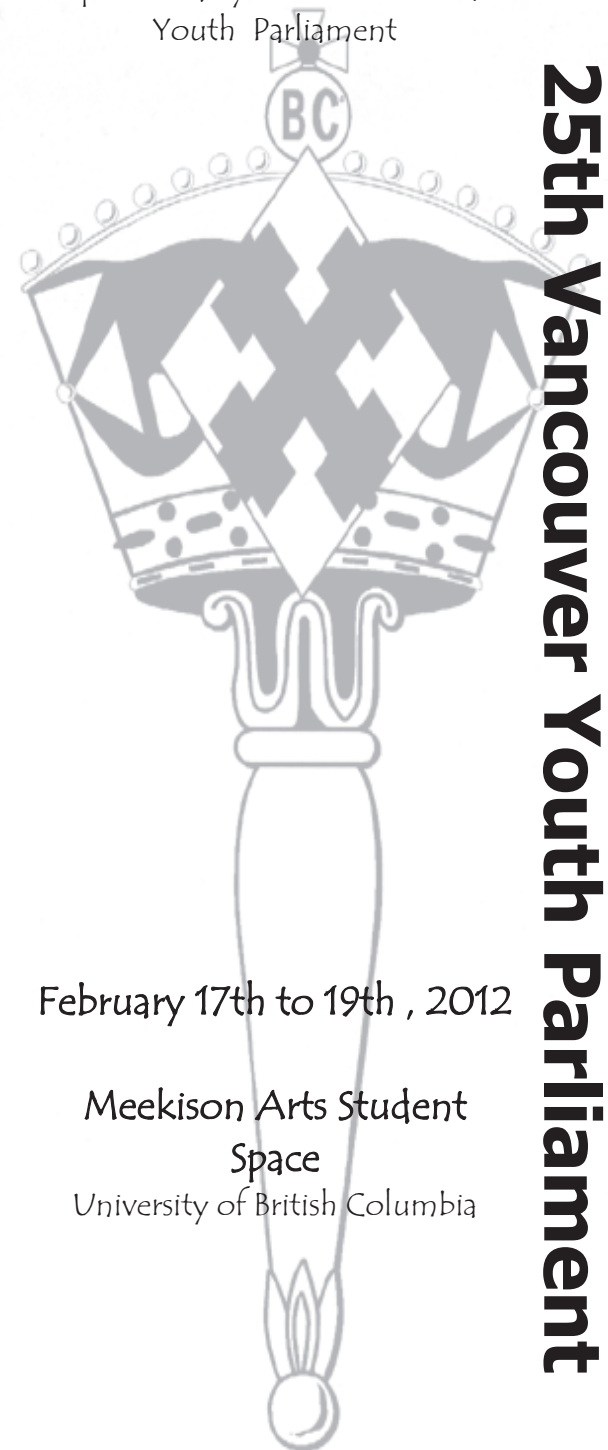
**PERSONAL INFORMATION CONSENT**

To enable Members to fully participate in the organization's activities after Session, Vancouver Youth Parliament distributes Members' contact information throughout the organization in order to keep them informed of VYP and BCYP events and activities.

Parental Consent: "In accordance with the Personal Information Protection Act, I hereby do/do not (circle one) consent to my son's/ daughter's contact information being published in the Vancouver Youth Parliament Journal."

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Youth Parliament



February 17th to 19th , 2012

Meekison Arts Student  
Space  
University of British Columbia

## What is VYP?

Vancouver Youth Parliament (VYP) is a nonprofit, non-partisan youth organisation that recognises every young person's potential to lead and serve in their community. Since 1987, VYP's aim has been to provide a forum in which young people can develop skills in leadership, public speaking, and the parliamentary process, and put these skills into practice through service to youth in their community. For more information about VYP and its sponsor organization, British Columbia Youth Parliament, please visit our website at [www.bcp.org](http://www.bcp.org)

## So, what do we do?

VYP's year begins with a Parliamentary Session From February 17– 19, 2012. Members get to:

- Learn about parliament
- Interact with other individuals interested in youth leadership
- Improve their debate and public speaking skills
- Debate Cabinet's legislation, which sets out VYP's activities for 2012
- Speak out on current local, national and international issues
- See democracy in action by electing a Premier and Leader of the Opposition for next year's Session
- Become a part of the youth parliament tradition and be remembered in the Parliamentary Journal.

VYP continues throughout the year with the activities legislated by the membership at Session. Members get to:

- Serve the community by planning and participating in service projects
- Have fun with the other Members at social events
- Stay in touch via "Mr. Speaker" newsletters.

*Make a difference while having fun!*

## So, what's Session like?

Parliamentary Session is held at the Meekison Arts Student Space at the University of British Columbia. Session runs from approximately 5pm on Friday February 17th to 3pm on Sunday February 19th. Members return home at the end of each day's activities. Members must attend all of Session and must contact the Chief Returning Officer before applying if this presents a problem.

## Who can join?

Each year approximately 50 youth are "elected" to become Members of VYP as representatives of their schools or community organizations. To be eligible to stand for "election" you must be:

- a resident of or attending school in Vancouver, Richmond, or Delta
- between the ages of 14 and 18 (inclusive) as of December 31, 2011
- nominated by an organization committed to youth
- willing to participate fully in activities throughout the year

Individuals from outside the recruitment area who meet the age and nomination requirements may apply to attend VYP as Ambassadors. Such applicants should follow the normal application process and indicate their intention to apply as an Ambassador in their written statement.

Additional Information: For more information please contact:

**Ms Allie Dickson**  
Chair, Regional Planning Committee  
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[allie.dickson@bcyp.org](mailto:allie.dickson@bcyp.org)

**Mr Ambrose Yung**  
Chief Returning Officer  
(778) 320-9373  
[ambrose\\_yung1993@hotmail.com](mailto:ambrose_yung1993@hotmail.com)

## Application Process:

Follow these simple steps and come join us!

1. *Complete all aspects of this application form* (personal info, emergency medical info, sponsorship info, consent and waiver, publicity and promotional consent, personal information consent).
2. *Attach a \$45.00 registration fee.*  
The registration fee includes snack on Friday; lunch, dinner on Saturday; lunch on Sunday and a copy of the Parliamentary Journal. Cheques must be made payable to British Columbia Youth Parliament. Please note that bursaries to attend VYP are available for applicants who demonstrate need for financial assistance. Applicants should indicate their intention to apply for a bursary in a short letter attached to their application. Fees for applicants not accepted will be immediately returned. Fees for accepted applicants who cancel on or after February 10th will not be refunded.
3. *Attach a one-page written statement* outlining:
  - a. (first-time applicants)** why you would like to become a Member, the other activities you are currently or plan to become involved with in your community and how you believe you can personally contribute to VYP.
  - b. (returning applicants)** what you learned during the 24th VYP, how you personally contributed to the 24th VYP and how you will continue to contribute to VYP.
4. *Mail your completed application form, registration fee and written statement to:*

**Mr Ambrose Yung**  
Chief Returning Officer  
2083 East 52nd Avenue  
Vancouver BC, V5P 1W8

Applications must be received by February 3, 2012. Incomplete applications will not be considered until completed. Acceptance of late applications is at the discretion of the Chief Returning Officer. Successful candidates will be notified by mail and be sent all materials necessary for Session, including a detailed schedule.