



# YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT

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YMCA OF MEMPHIS & THE MID-SOUTH

## New Beginnings in YIG

Welcome to the First Edition of the YMCA of Memphis & the Mid-South Youth in Government Newsletter!

We are thrilled to share the exciting happenings going on in our Model United Nations (MUN) and Youth in Government (YIG and formerly called Youth Legislature by our older alumni) programs.

The 2019-2020 school year is in full swing and so is MUN! MUN provides an educational hands-on learning experience with international issues and policy. Students have the opportunity to develop leadership and speaking skills while debating under the rules of parliamentary procedure. High school registration opened last week and almost 1800 students from across the state are already registered! Middle and high school students throughout the city are eager to represent their assigned country, write a resolution/proposal and debate it in General Assembly.

Our Department of Information, Lawyers, Justices, Secretariat, and Security Council participants are working hard in their components. We have 22 officers heading to the Leadership Weekend in Nashville next weekend. They will join 155 other officers from across Tennessee to prepare for the upcoming conferences. We are looking forward to the 4 conferences taking place this fall semester.

Stay tuned for the details!

## Did You Know...



The Tennessee YMCA Model United Nations Program is the **2<sup>nd</sup> largest Model United Nations** program in the US and host **over 4,000** students from across the state?

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## Alumni Spotlight

### Making a Difference in Memphis

Former Youth in Government Governor, Chance Carlisle, is making a major impact on Downtown Memphis!



Since graduating from MUS in 2001 and Yale in 2005, Chance has been making difference in Memphis. Chance is the CEO of Carlisle Corporation.

The Carlisle Corporation has owned Wendelta, a franchisee company of Wendy's for over 40 years. In 2015, they made their mark by opening the beautifully renovated historical Chisca Hotel (1913) into modern downtown apartments.

On August 20th, the Carlisle Corp. broke ground on One Beale. A revolutionary 5.5 acre project that will host an upscale apartment living, a Hyatt Hotel, an office building, and restaurant spanning from Beale Street to Pontotac Avenue.

Chance is a major supporter and contributor to our Youth in Government programs. We are thankful his passion for the program continues to make an impact on the youth of our city.

The Y is proud to see YIG alum influencing our City and community for years to come.

## Upcoming Events:

September 13 - 15 Officer Leadership Weekend

September 16 Model United Nations (MUN) Training Session

September 30  
November 4

November 8 - 10 38th Annual High School MUN Conference A

November 15 - 17 38th Annual High School MUN Conference B

December 5 21st Annual Middle School MUN Conference A

December 6 21st Annual Middle School MUN Conference B

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