

YOUTH BOARD2024



Do you want to make sure that young people's voices are heard?

Do you want to share your experiences and ideas to benefit other young people?

Would you like to shape the future of the National Saturday Club?

Maybe you attended a National Saturday Club some years ago, and it made a difference to your life or maybe you've just finished your first year. If you are 14–25-years-old and have been a member of the National Saturday Club for at least one year – we'd love you to apply to join our Youth Board!

We are seeking to bring together young people from all backgrounds across the country to influence the future of the National Saturday Club, to benefit all the young people who take part.

It is important that the Youth Board reflects the diversity of the National Saturday Club membership and we encourage applications from individuals from underrepresented backgrounds.

We hope to receive applications from individuals interested in joining the Youth Board for a minimum of 1-year and maximum of 2-years. You will be expected to attend 4 meetings per year.

Attendance at meetings is paid with all expenses covered.

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- **Share your thoughts and ideas at four meetings** between October 2024 and June 2025. These will be a mixture of in person and online meetings
- **Represent the voice of Club members** to improve the experience for all young people across the country
- **Participate in workshops** to help shape future National Saturday Club projects
- **Receive opportunities and training** in areas such as governance; public speaking; writing; advocacy.
- **Have the opportunity to present** to the Board of Trustees of the Saturday Club Trust
- **Be an ambassador for the National Saturday Club** at events and share your experiences on the National Saturday Club's media platforms

WHY SHOULD I TAKE PART?

- See your **ideas put into action**
- **Gain volunteering experience** and develop your CV
- **Build your confidence and leadership skills**
- **Meet new people** from across the National Saturday Club network
- **Receive a National Saturday Club certificate**

SCHEDULE FOR 2024-25

The schedule below outlines the planned dates for the Youth Board meetings in 2024-2025, applicants should aim to attend all meetings detailed below. This is a blended programme with some online and some in-person meetings.

Meeting 1: Saturday 19 October 2024 (In-person in London)

Meeting 2: Wednesday 22 January 2025 (Virtual)

Meeting 3: Saturday 25 April 2025 (In-person in London)

Meeting 4: Wednesday 28 May 2025 (Virtual)

All in-person meetings will be on Saturdays and where possible will take place in school holidays so that they don't clash with Saturday Club weekly sessions. Virtual meetings will take place on week-day evenings between 18:00-19:30. However, we will ensure that this schedule and timings work for the group once applicants have been selected.

There may be additional opportunities, workshops or activities offered to the group during the year which we would be delighted for representatives of the Youth Board to attend such as the Summer Show and Graduation Ceremonies in July.

HOW CAN I APPLY?

Please complete the [Application Form](#) on the National Saturday Club website by 12 noon on Friday 9 August 2024.

You will be asked questions about yourself, including which Saturday Club you attended and when, contact details and will need to respond to the following:

- What was your experience of the Saturday Club and why would you like to be a member of the Youth Board?
- Tell us a bit about yourself. What are your interests, your experiences and your hopes for the future?
- If you could make a change in the world what would it be?

You can respond in a written application, a voice note/ audio recording or by submitting a video recording.

Shortlisted applicants will be contacted by Friday 6 September 2024.

Please email programmes@saturday-club.org if you have an questions or need any further support in completing your application.

[APPLY HERE](#)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I need experience?

No, we don't expect you to have experience of a similar role. We will be offering you training to give you the skills to make the most of this opportunity and will be on hand to answer any questions you have along the way.

Will it cost me anything?

No, you will receive a half or full date rate for every meeting that you attend. For the in person meetings, the Saturday Club Trust will cover the cost of your travel to and from the venue, and if you are under 18, the travel of a single parent/ guardian to accompany you. Expenses for childcare is also available to ensure that taking part will not be a cost to you or your family. Refreshments will be provided.

Who do I contact for more information or to ask questions?

You can contact Kaya Brennan on programmes@saturday-club.org or call [0207 845 5862](tel:02078455862). Kaya will be more than happy to answer any questions you or your parent/ guardian may have.

I'm under 18, will my parent/ guardian attend the in-person meetings with me?

Your parent/ guardian will not attend the meetings, but will be required to drop you off and collect you from the venue to ensure your safety on your journeys.

I have additional needs, can I apply?

Yes, it is important that the Youth Board represents a variety of life experiences. All activities will be accessible and we will ask you what provision you need if your application is successful.

[APPLY NOW](#)