Montgomery County Council to Host
Town Hall Meeting for Students
On Wednesday, November 29 in Rockville

Youth throughout the County encouraged to tell the Council what is important

ROCKVILLE, Md., November 3, 2017—The Montgomery County Council wants to know what is on the minds of younger residents when it hosts its seventh annual Town Hall Meeting for youth on Wednesday, November 29 at the Council Office Building in Rockville. The meeting, in the Council’s Third Floor Hearing Room, will start at 7 p.m.

A pre-meeting reception will begin at 6 p.m. in the building’s second-floor cafeteria. At the reception, students will have a chance to meet with Councilmembers and talk with them in an informal setting. Also at the reception, from 6-6:30 p.m., Councilmembers will recognize the finalists for the Councilmember for a Day Challenge and Councilmember Craig Rice, who serves a chair of the Council’s Education Committee, will announce the winner of the challenge. The remainder of the reception is for students to visit with Councilmembers.

The Council Office Building is located at 100 Maryland Ave. in downtown Rockville. It is about a three-block walk from the Rockville Metrorail station, which also is a main stopping point for many RideOn bus lines. For students traveling to the meeting by car, free parking will be available by entering the Council parking garage from the Fleet Street entrance.

Students from public and private schools from around the County and students from local colleges are encouraged to express their views on any aspect of the Montgomery County Public Schools system, programs that impact students, or public policy issues that impact their daily lives. They also can ask questions of the Councilmembers.
Students can also earn student service learning (SSL) hours for attending the Youth Town Hall meeting.

The meeting will be broadcast live on County Cable Montgomery (CCM—cable Channel 996 on Comcast, Channel 1056 on RCN, and Channel 30 on Verizon) and rebroadcast at various times in the weeks following the meeting. The meeting will also be streamed on Facebook Live and YouTube (FB.com/CountyCableMoco and YouTube.com/CountyCableMoCo).

Students will also be encouraged to share their thoughts on the meeting and ask questions via Twitter and Facebook Live using the hashtag MoCoYouth. Susan Kenedy, a producer for the County station, will moderate the meeting.

The Council is composed of President Roger Berliner, Vice President Hans Riemer and Councilmembers Marc Elrich, Nancy Floreen, Tom Hucker, Sidney Katz, George Leventhal, Nancy Navarro, and Craig Rice.

Council President Berliner said that the youth town hall meetings have become learning experiences for both the Councilmembers and the students.

“Youth in Montgomery County care about local government,” said Council President Roger Berliner. “Their voices and perspectives are important to many major decisions the Council makes, especially when it comes to education. The Council’s Youth Town Hall gives councilmembers a chance to hear directly from students about how they view the important issues facing our County.”

If you need more information or have questions about the meeting, call 240-777-7926. Learn more by watching:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bif0IKzM9z7c&feature=youtu.be.

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