

# SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT COMMITTEE APPLICATION



Please complete this application in its entirety and submit an original signed copy to the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 5750 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California 95118. If more space is needed, please attach additional pages. Applications are valid for one year from the date of receipt and are public record. This application is available on-line at <https://www.valleywater.org/how-we-operate/committees/board-advisory-committees> under "Santa Clara Valley Water District Youth Commission." For assistance, please contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at (408) 265-2607, extension 2277.

## A. CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of Committee: Santa Clara Valley Water District Youth Commission			
Name (First, Middle, Last): Disha, Yadav			
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	Cell Phone:	Fax:
Mailing Address: (Street Address, City, State, ZIP)			
E-mail:			
If Applicable, Present Employer (Name and Address): N/A		Job Title: N/A	
Do you have a current contractual relationship with the Santa Clara Valley Water District? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
If Yes, please describe (if more space is needed, please attach additional pages):			

## B. VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

List current and previous volunteer experience. Include experience with charitable organizations, committees and commissions, or public offices you may have held and relevant dates. If more space is needed, please attach additional pages.		
DATE(s):	NAME:	RESPONSIBILITIES/EXPERIENCE:
August 24, 2017 - May 21, 2018 i went every thursday		
September 9, 2019 - February 3, 2019 every other saturday (2 hours)		
June 12, 2018- August 7, 2018 2 hours every week		

September 5, 2018 - February 20, 2019 go every wednesday		
September 28, 2019 (four hours)  January 26, 2019 (two hours)  January 27, 2019 (six hours)		

### C. INTEREST AND AVAILABILITY

How did you hear about this committee opening?

- ☐ District Website
 ☐ Director (please specify):  
☐ Committee Member (please specify):
 ☒ Other (please specify): nextdoor.com

Please describe your interest in serving on this committee:

Education is a fundamental tool that is essential for life and especially on a topic that affects each and every human being directly. The reason I would like to join this program is because as of now, my knowledge on the cleaning of our water and how every system works is limited to the internet. If I do join this program, I would be able to expand this knowledge and be able to further understand the processes and be able to educate more individuals in turn getting more support for these programs which in turn benefits society as a whole. As well as the fact that I have taken an interest in some aspects of this such as

Where does our water come from?

How does it get cleaned?

How effective is the water cleaning process?

Why do people still complain about water quality if the water is so clean?

How can we prevent pollution?

Please describe your relevant qualifications, such as specific skills, training, or knowledge that should be considered in applying for this committee:

- 1) I am very interested in biology and science related activities
- 2) I spend a lot of time in the community helping and am always looking for ways to help the community more
- 3) I am a very good speaker when it comes to giving speeches in front of audiences and am always motivated when given important, interesting topics to talk about.

I have always been a very admirable student and speaker which are a couple of my highlights as a person.

How would the community benefit by your participation on this committee?

On a regular basis, I interact with kids and do tutoring for them and this is something that I particularly enjoy immensely. After learning more about this program and working towards this, I can inform more kids and get them interested in these topics so that as they grow older then can continue to join these kinds of programs and help their communities.

Keeping kids, especially younger kids, interested in what they are learning is a difficult task for most adults. The fact of the matter is that if for example, I am teaching a fifth grade something rather than their teacher, they will listen more in my experience due to the fact that it is easier for me to relate to them. I have seen this trend when I go for tutoring the kids at my local elementary school.



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Are you available to attend committee meetings when scheduled? (please go to <https://www.valleywater.org/how-we-operate/committees/board-advisory-committees> for committee meeting schedule details) ☒ Yes ☐ No If No, please describe:

If you have a disability, what accommodations would you need to serve on this committee?

Also I may not be able to stand for long periods of time, so please have seating arrangements.

### D. EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

In case of emergency, contact:

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| 1. Name: | Phone: |
| 2. Name: | Phone: |

I, HEREBY, ATTEST THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND MAY BE VERIFIED BY THE SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT. I UNDERSTAND THAT MISREPRESENTATION OR OMISSIONS MAY BE CAUSE FOR MY IMMEDIATE REJECTION AS AN APPLICANT OR TERMINATION FROM APPOINTMENT TO A COMMITTEE.

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Applicant Signature

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April 24, 2019  
Date Signed

Those applying for the **YOUTH COMMISSION** must complete the **APPLICATION** and **SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE**. For more information or questions, please email: [youthcommission@valleywater.org](mailto:youthcommission@valleywater.org).

Name (First, Last): Disha Yadav	
What School Do You Attend:	Grade Level:
Extra-Curricular Activities: Speech and Debate	Favorite Subjects: Biology
Please go to <a href="http://www.valleywater.org">www.valleywater.org</a> and scroll down to <b>The Water District in Your Area</b> to identify your Board Member and District #	
Board Member's Name: Richard Santos	Board Member District #: 3

In 300 words or less: (If more space is needed, please attach additional pages.)

1. What do you feel are the top three issues young people in Santa Clara County are facing, particularly around water or environmental stewardship? If appointed, how will you connect these issues to your role on the Youth Commission?

Though the county is cleaning water for the people to drink, sometimes the water may have some dirt particles or other things that have caused a problem for some people. As of now young people are not educated on the basics of knowing if their water is clean or how to go about doing so in making sure their family is safe from these particular problems in the water.

Another problem is the pollution problem. As of now people are still very careless in trash pollution. They continue to throw trash carelessly and in doing so the trash has found its way into creeks and lakes harming animals and making water more unsafe to drink.

The last problem is the wasting of water. Young people do not understand how precious water is and they continue to take it for granted. Some kids take thirty minute showers and leave the water on sometimes. There are other ways kids waste water and that is a huge problem and if not taken care of can become a scarce source affecting everyone.

I believe that to actually solve this issue, we should have some part of a main course in schools that cover problems with drinking water and how to solve the issue so more kids will be an active part of society and try to solve any problems and also ensure their families have safe drinking water.

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2. What do you hope to gain from being on the Youth Commission? What do you think you can contribute by being on the Youth Commission?

I hope to gain understanding on the problems and some solutions that us as individuals can do to help the problem. In an overall summary, I would like to gain more knowledge on issues that are present so that I can make a difference in society by spreading knowledge and finding more, working solutions to problems that are occurring at the moment.

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Applicant: I, Disha Yadav (print applicant name) verify that the information I have provided on this application is accurate. All information provided is subject to verification. False, inaccurate, or ineligible applications will be disqualified.

Parent/Guardian: I, Syari (parent/guardian signature) understand that my child has applied for the Santa Clara Valley Water District Youth Commission and has my express permission.

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