



Year End Presentation
to the
Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners

September 10, 2020

YAC: 2019-2020 Intro



- **Historically, committee has been able to tour/ learn a lot about local gov't – COVID changed that for us**
- **Largest YAC group – all 32 applicants appointed**
 - About 25 regular YAC participants during school year
 - About 18-20 YAC members on weekly Zoom calls over the summer
- **Tours & projects completed**
 - Weedon Island, Animal Services, Botanical Garden
 - Planned beach cleanups
 - Planned Law & Order days – 2 full days on campus w/ Sheriff, medical examiner, jail & courts

YAC: COVID Pivot



- **Took 3 months off meetings for COVID**
 - Decided to meet weekly to be able to complete year-end project
- **Year-end project pivoted from Mental Health & Wellness Fair**
 - August: “Pinellas County Youth Mental Health Month”
 - Weekly webinars recorded on Zoom, posted to social media for “Mental Health Mondays” all through August
 - COVID, LGBTQ+, Substance Use Disorder, Suicide Awareness & Prevention
- **YAC members created testimonial promo videos on these issues and their involvement in YAC**
- **Created standing marketing/ social media committees – now on Twitter, YouTube & Instagram (previously Facebook only)**

YAC: Future Plans



- **Meeting twice monthly**
 - **Zoom, virtual tours**
- **New logo design & increased social media**
- **Continue mental health advocacy**
 - **Letter to Pinellas County School Board**
- **Present more often to Commissioners**
- **Amend bylaws to conform to new term length**

YAC: Legislative Action



- **YAC resolution – adjusted term length**
- **BCC Proclamation: Pinellas County Youth Mental Health Month**
- **COVID-19 letter to Pinellas County School Board**
- **YAC appointee to Parks & Conservation Board – extend term**

YAC: Parks & Conservation Board



- **Appointment to the Board**
- **Meetings attended**
- **Term limit – proposed adjustment**