



Ohio's YCI Hub

Youth Climate Institute

Building the next generation of climate leaders

High school students learn about climate science, impacts and solutions. They complete action projects that address climate issues in their community to become certified ambassadors.

What are the Youth Climate Institute national requirements?

To earn certification, students must participate in 5 reflective discussions about climate change and complete an action project comprised of at least 5 service hours. An adult needs to register the group.

What support does YCI National provide?

YCI chapters gain access to learning libraries that include recorded presentations from climate experts, recommended resources, and invitations to live virtual events.

The simplest path to certification is to assign all 5 presentations to your teens as homework and review the included discussion questions the next time you meet. When it's time for the action project, you can join a virtual meet-up to discuss options and see examples.

Want to add more local opportunities? Or customize the conversation to fit existing goals/curriculum? Check out the Ohio YCI Hub.



Image from YCI's National Website: <https://youthclimateleader.org/>



**Calling all teens, teachers, and experts interested in climate community!
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What support does NCSL provide?

As the Ohio Hub, NCSL's main goal is to help you customize the YCI program to best suit your needs as an Ohio Chapter. That's it! This program is flexible, so we'll work with you to discover how it might unfold in your high school classroom, teen volunteer group, leadership development club, place of worship, community center, scout troop, or anywhere else teens are gathering.

Imagine swapping some virtual discussions with classroom visits from experts, engaging field trips, or student-led research. Learn about local grant opportunities to support your projects. Meet like-minded educators and the local experts who can introduce your teens to careers that interest them. Keep it simple. Choose the options that work best for you and let NCSL support in any (or none) of the following ways.

Funding

NCSL pursues funds to support chapter fees. We also help connect chapters with their own grant opportunities.

Discussion Upgrades

NCSL can help you swap virtual discussions for local learning.

Networking

Regular check-ins provide opportunity to meet other chapters across the state.

Mentor Match

Let NCSL connect you with an expert in the field to assist with your action project.

Facilitated Planning Session

Unsure how to start an action project? We'll facilitate a discussion with your group to create a student-led plan.

Teen Opportunities

Learn about internships, presentation opportunities, competitions and more.



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