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## **PRESS RELEASE**

**To:** Members Of the Common Council  
**From:** Council President Canneth Lee, Councilmember Karen L. White  
**Date:** Friday, January 9, 2026  
**Subject:** South Bend Common Council to Induct 2026 Youth Advisory Council

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### **South Bend Common Council to Induct 2026 Youth Advisory Council**

The South Bend Common Council will formally induct the 2026 cohort of the South Bend Youth Advisory Council (SBYAC) on Monday, January 12, 2026. During this ceremony, student leaders will take the official oath of service, affirming their commitment to civic engagement and community leadership.

The annual induction reflects the Council's continued commitment to uplifting youth voices and ensuring young people play a meaningful role in local governance. The 2026 cohort includes students from every high school in St. Joseph County, representing a diverse range of backgrounds and perspectives.

Established in 2017, the Youth Advisory Council has a strong legacy of developing future leaders, with alumni going on to achieve academic success and pursue careers rooted in service and civic responsibility.

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