

Subject: Online Form Submittal: Advisory Group Application
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Advisory Group Application

Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Advisory Groups

Public Statement

THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public advisory group, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All advisory group members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.

Title	Ms.
First Name	Jamie
Last Name	Desmul
Today's Date	1/3/2025
Street Address	
City	
Zip	
Do you live in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	Field not completed.
Primary Telephone	
Secondary Telephone	Field not completed.
Email Address	

Step 2

1. Name of Advisory	Child & Family Well-Being Task Force
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Group

Child & Family Well-Being Task Force

Yes

2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?

Yes

3. Which Council district do you live in?

District 2

4. Have you ever been a member of this Advisory Group

Yes

If yes, please list dates:

January 2021 through present

5. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?

Yes

If yes, please explain

I am the director of a childcare center that will be the recipient of Healthy Children's Fund dollars.

6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?

No

You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions

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7. Please describe your

I am the director of the YMCA's early learning program in

occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education

downtown Bellingham. I've been working within the field of early learning with teachers, families and children of Whatcom County for over 25 years. I am also a lifelong Whatcom County resident. I hold a degree in Child Development from WWU and am involved in many advocacy groups for early learning related issues (both at the local and state level).

8. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this Advisory Group.

I have been honored to be on this advisory group from its inception, helping to advise spending on ARPA and Healthy Children's Fund dollars. I've learned SO much about how local government works and I've been able to share that information within the field. I see my role as an educator, along with advisor, in this group. Most people who work with the community don't fully understand the ins and outs of working in the field of early learning. I'm here to advocate and educate in regard to the children, families, and teachers in our county community.

References (please include daytime telephone number):

Melinda Yost, 1 (360) 303-2945
Anne Granberg, 1 (360) 510-1337
Meg Reeve, (714) 421-2520

Appointment Requirements

I understand and agree

Signature of applicant:

Jamie N Desmul

Place Signed / Submitted



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