CSHA Youth Board

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# Centering Youth Leadership How to Plan and Lead a Youth2Youth

Conference

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# Putting Health Care in Schools

The California School-Based Health Alliance is the statewide non-profit organization dedicated to **improving** the health & academic success of children & youth by advancing health services in schools.

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## CSHA Youth Board

 Founded in 2007 to bring together diverse youth from across
California to share their lived
experiences and ideas for
advancing adolescent health
through partnerships with school
health centers.



### What is Youth to Youth Conference?







Join over 200 other youth from across California to develop skills, share stories, and network!

Substance use prevention Peer mentoring



#### Hear from youth presenters on topics including:

Improving community health **Developing leadership skills** 



### Youth to Youth Conference

### For youth by youth





## Youth Board's Role - Pre Conference

### **Run of Show and Resource Fair**

- YB emcees for conference
- Select and confirm exhibitors for resource fair

### **Workshop and Food**

- Review and vet workshop submissions
- Rehearse with youth presenters
- Plan food (budgeting, dietary needs, logistics)

### **Entertainment and Program Book**

- Confirm photo booth, entertainment and music
- Plan creative brain breaks
- Select swag items for conference





## Youth Board's Role at Y2Y

### **Emcees and Navigators**

- Emcee the conference to build energy +camaraderie
- Support presenters + help attendees navigate the venue

### **Hosting workshops**

- Lead interactive workshops: Drugs and the Brain
- Facilitate listening session: Alternatives to Discipline for Substance Use





### Youth to Youth Timeline



#### November



Game day! YB are emcees, presenters, navigators, and ev in between

# December

Read through evals and find ways to make Y2Y better for the next year, create Y2Y summary blog post to be shared with field

### Impact 2024

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#### **255 total attendees**

183 youth

**13 workshops** 

11 youth-led2 adult-led

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#### **14 youth groups**

**5 local exhibitors** 

### 98.9% satisfaction rate

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### Distributed 336 Narcan kits + 257 fentanyl strips

### Testimonials

#### What was your favorite part of the conference?

"Meeting new people, engaging in fun activities, being in a mentally supportive environment, learning ideas I can implement on my own campus, etc."

The brain breaks (x8!)

"My favorite of the day was networking and meeting new people form around California as well as learning valuable lessons"

"What are ACES" (x8!)

#### What did you learn today?

- "How drugs affect our brains differently"
- "Numerous ideas to improve the mental health awareness, especially on my campus"
- "Red flags in relationships and the difference between a healthy one and a toxic one."

# Resources

https://www.schoolhealthcenters.org/resources

<u>/sbhc-operations/youth-engagement/</u>







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