

2021 Anniston City Youth Council  
Meeting Summary | February 9, 2021

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**1. ATTENDANCE**

- a. Anniston High School: 3
- b. Donoho School: 3
- c. Faith Christian School: 3
- d. Sacred Heart Catholic School: 1

**2. THOUGHT EXPERIENCE**

Students were asked to think about Anniston and express one word that comes to mind when they think about the city. Some words expressed by the students were:

- a. Division
- b. Concentrated
- c. Receding
- d. Limitations
- e. Potential.

**3. SMART GOALS**

We discussed the meaning of SMART goals in preparation for crafting our short term and long-term goals the students want to achieve. The students were mindful to ensure their goals were **Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, and Timely**.

- a. **Short Term Goal** (May 2021): Community Clean-up and Branding
  - i. Within their tenure as Youth Council members, the students want to accomplish planning and publicizing a community clean-up event. Additionally, the students want to collectively

brand themselves as youth leaders serving their community to positively impact the City of Anniston.

**b. Long Term Goal (1-3 Years): Modernization**

- i. The students' long-term goal is limitless and fluid. Ultimately, they would like to see more modernization in Anniston, specifically, more attractions. A possible project they discussed was redeveloping a building on Noble Street that could be developed into to a “hang-out spot” for adolescents or a shelter for the homeless population.

**4. MISSION STATEMENT**

Based on the group discussion of short term and long-term goals, the students collaborated to craft the following mission statement: “We, as the voice of the youth, aspire to educate and improve the City of Anniston for the people.”