

ROCKLIN SUMMER CIVIC CAREER PROGRAM APPLICATION

The City of Rocklin has joined with the Rocklin Educational Excellence Foundation (REEF) and the Rocklin Unified School District (RUSD) to offer the Summer Civic Career Program (SCCP). The SCCP introduces students to the many local government career opportunities available. This program allows students to make important contributions to the City while participating in a challenging and rewarding experience.

During the two-week program, students will partner with City staff and assist with a variety of programs and projects in various departments. The two-week program is scheduled for **June 15–18, and June 22–25, 2026, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM.**

Participation requirements:

- Must currently be enrolled at a Rocklin Unified School District High School
- Be at least 16 years of age
- A senior for the 2026/2027 school year
- Available to attend each day of the program
- Reliable transportation to and from different locations within the City of Rocklin

Throughout the two-week program, students will keep a journal and share entries in group discussions with their fellow students. Participants will be asked for meaningful feedback on their experience in an effort to continuously improve the program. At the conclusion of the two-week program, participants will submit their journal and a short essay (no longer than 500 words) describing what they have learned and how it will benefit their future.

Upon successful completion of the program, REEF will award each student a \$500 scholarship. Student recognition will be held at the Rocklin City Council Meeting on August 25, 2026.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2026 ROCKLIN SUMMER CIVIC CAREER PROGRAM ARE DUE TO YOUR HIGH SCHOOL'S COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER BY MARCH 20, 2026 AT 3:00 PM.



Highlights for the 2026 Rocklin Summer Civic Career Program (SCCP)

Administrative Services, City Clerk, City Attorney, and City Manager's Offices

These offices are responsible for key compliance requirements of local government. Ensuring the city addresses finance and budget needs, liability concerns, legal procedures, public notices, public outreach (including social media), hiring needs, and legal. At the last day of the program, students will also participate in a Mock City Council Meeting and learn about the Brown Act which provides public access to meetings of California local government.

Community Development Department

Community Development is another large department that helps the public with things like permits, building inspections, new development, code enforcement, planning, and housing. Students will get the talk with Building Inspectors, Code Enforcement Officers, and other that help make Rocklin such a great place to live and to have a business.

Fire Department

Students will work with Fire Department staff at a fire station and in the administration office learning about fire prevention, fire suppression, and firefighting equipment. This may include riding along on fire apparatus, while the firefighters respond to calls for service.

Parks and Recreation Department

Parks and Recreation is responsible for the maintenance of the amazing parks in Rocklin, planning and organizing fun events and services for our community, promoting healthy lifestyles and ensuring there are places that make that happen. Students will get to learn more about how much work and long-range planning goes into having Rocklin's great parks and recreation programs.

Police Department

Students will work with staff in the Police Department, gaining hands-on experience with police officers at the station, dispatchers in the communications center, learn about some of the newest technologies that help law enforcement and the crucial work of support staff in bringing law-breakers to justice.

Public Works Department

Public Works is a wide-ranging department that includes engineering and environmental services, facilities and fleet upkeep, care of city-owned streets and landscape, and traffic signal maintenance. Students will have the opportunity to visit active construction sites and see what happens to their trash after they put in the One Big Bin.

This year's program is designed to give participants exposure to the many facets of local government. A key goal of the program is to highlight areas of government work that students may not be familiar with. Participants are expected to engage fully and remain open to learning about roles and functions they may not have previously considered.

Important Dates

- **March 20, 2026; 3:00 PM – Application deadline, due to your school’s College and Career Center.**
- **Week of April 13, 2026 – Student Interviews (tentative)**
- **May 21, 2026; 5:30 PM – Mandatory Kick-Off Meeting for participating students and their parents or guardians at City Council Chambers, 3970 Rocklin Road**
- **June 15-18 and June 22-25, 2026- Monday through Thursday, 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM – Summer Civic Career Program at various City of Rocklin locations**
- **August 25, 2026; 6:00 PM – Student Recognition at Rocklin City Council Meeting, at City Council Chambers, 3970 Rocklin Road**

Students must attend the entire program to be eligible for the scholarship program. Up to ten students will be selected for the program from Rocklin Unified School District High Schools.

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STUDENT APPLICANT INFORMATION (PLEASE WRITE NEATLY OR TYPE)

Name: _____ School: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Cell #: _____

Student Personal Email Address: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Name: _____ Cell #: _____

Parent Email address: _____

ELIGIBILITY/AVAILABILITY

Are you enrolled at a Rocklin Unified School District high school as a Senior for the 2026/2027 school year?

Yes

No

Are you available to attend every day during the program (June 15-25th Monday through Thursday)?

Yes

No

If selected, what is your transportation to the program?

My own car

Public Transportation

Someone else will drive me

If someone will be driving you, please list their name(s) and contact number(s):

Name: _____ Cell #: _____

Please Circle your T-SHIRT SIZE

Small

Medium

Large

X-Large

XX-Large

SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

Answer each of the following questions in **200 words or less**. Answers should be typed on a separate page and attached to your application.

1. Why are you interested in the Rocklin Summer Civic Career Program?
2. What makes you a good choice for the Rocklin Summer Civic Program?
3. What government careers are you interested in learning more about?