The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) of Fremont Area Community Foundation is a student-run committee focused on meeting the needs of Newaygo County youth through grantmaking and service-learning. The committee is comprised of 24 high school students representing Fremont, Grant, Hesperia, Newaygo, and White Cloud public high schools as well as the homeschooling community. Once selected, students are asked to be YAC members throughout their four years of high school.

What do YACers do?
Throughout the year, YACers work in the areas of community service, public relations, and grantmaking and evaluation. YAC has three major responsibilities:

- Partake in at least three community service activities (when current health and safety protocols allow)
- Review grant requests and make recommendations to the Community Foundation Board of Trustees
- Determine the needs of area youth in Newaygo County

When do YACers meet?
YAC typically meets in the morning, the second Friday of the month from September to May. Each school principal has approved the time away from class. Lunch is provided for in-person meetings. Each year, YACers also typically attend three community service projects.

Are YOU ready to be a YACer?
YAC is seeking students with leadership potential who are going into ninth grade.

A YACer should attend each meeting and be a responsible student with a positive attitude. YACers represent all grade levels and interests, reflecting the diversity of Newaygo County.

To learn more or find out how to apply, please contact YAC advisors Patti Wheater or Liz Mansfield at the Community Foundation by calling 231.924.5350 or visit facommunityfoundation.org/yac.