



2026 Austin Cook Award for Outstanding Youth

The Austin Cook Award for Outstanding Youth was developed by the Burbank Youth Board to recognize exceptional youth in the community. Once a year, individuals are selected by the Youth Board to be honored at a Burbank City Council meeting. This award is in recognition of the exemplary character modeled by Austin Cook. As an outstanding youth, Austin attended Jefferson Elementary School and John Muir Middle School. His life touched the heart of the Burbank community and serves as an example to all youth.

This award program is designed to highlight middle and high school aged youth for an achievement(s) or for actions that have positively contributed to the community. Examples might include but are not limited to: youth that have provided outstanding volunteer service, an achievement while overcoming adversity, and youth donating their talents to the community.

The Burbank Youth Board is seeking nominations for recognition in May 2026. To submit a nomination, please complete the attached 2026 Nomination Form.

Please note: Current Youth Board members are not eligible for nomination.

Submit completed forms by **April 17, 2026.**

For more information, please call Jenny Griffin, Recreation Supervisor at 818-238-5390.

Please submit applications via email to: jgriffin@burbankca.gov

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2026 NOMINATION FORM

Please provide your contact information. You may be contacted for additional information.

NOMINATOR: _____ DATE: _____

TITLE: _____

SCHOOL, BUSINESS, or ORGANIZATION: _____

AFFILIATION TO NOMINEE: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Please provide information concerning the person you are nominating:

NOMINEE'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

AGE: _____ GRADE: _____ SCHOOL: _____

WHY SHOULD THIS YOUTH BE CONSIDERED FOR RECOGNITION? WHAT IS THIS YOUTH'S ACHIEVEMENT OR WHAT ACTION HAS THIS YOUTH TAKEN THAT HAS POSITIVELY CONTRIBUTED TO THE COMMUNITY? Please include specific examples. Please **type** your answer and submit in separate document (Word or PDF file accepted). 200-word minimum.