



Contra  
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County

**Print Form**

Please return completed applications to:  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
1025 Escobar Street, 1st Floor  
Martinez, CA 94553  
or email to: ClerkofTheBoard@cob.cccounty.us

### BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS APPLICATION

<b>First Name</b> Anya	<b>Middle Initial</b> 	<b>Last Name</b> Ayyappan	
<b>Home Address - Street</b> 	<b>City</b> 	<b>State</b> 	<b>Postal Code</b> 
<b>Primary Phone (best number to reach you)</b> 	<b>Email Address</b> 		
<b>Resident of Supervisorial District</b> (if out of County, please enter N/A): Candace Andersen <a href="#">District Locator Tool</a>			
<b>Do you work in Contra Costa County?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>If Yes, in which District do you work?</b> <input type="text"/>			
<b>Current Employer</b> 	<b>Job Title</b> 	<b>Length of Employment</b> 	
<b>How long have you lived or worked in Contra Costa County?</b> 11.5 Years			

<b>Board, Committee, or Commission</b> Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council	<b>Seat Name</b> At-Large youth
<b>Have you ever attended a meeting of the advisory board for which you are applying?</b>	
Please check one: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If Yes, how many?</b> 1	

### EDUCATION

Check appropriate box if you possess one of the following:

High School Diploma  CA High School Proficiency Certificate  G.E.D. Certificate

Colleges or Universities Attended	Degree Type/ Course of Study/Major	Degree Awarded	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

**Occupational Licenses Completed:**

**Other Trainings Completed:**

**Certificate Awarded for Training?**  
 Yes  No  
 Yes  No

**Do you have any obligations that might affect your attendance at scheduled meetings?**  Yes  No

If Yes, please explain:

**Would you like to be considered for appointment to other advisory bodies for which you may be qualified?**  Yes  No

**Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces?**  Yes  No

**Please explain why you would like to serve on this particular board, committee, or commission.**

I am a 16-year-old rising senior at Dougherty Valley High School. With exposure to the intersection of K-12 education and the juvenile justice system, I seek to be a student voice on the Contra Costa County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council.

I believe I can provide a strong student perspective on the commission, having worked with at-risk students and heard their stories. Involved in pursuing avenues for restorative justice locally, I would appreciate the chance to be a part of this necessary work at the county level.

**Describe your qualifications for this appointment. (NOTE: you may also include a copy of your resume).**

Currently, I serve as the student board member of San Ramon Valley Unified School District advocating for 30,000+ students. As a member of various committees – Equity Steering, Grading Reform, Facilities Master Plan, and Local Control & Accountability Plan – I provide input in our school district’s decision-making processes. I work closely with district officials to reduce reliance on punitive measures by involving students in restorative peer circles, in order to address instances of hateful conduct.

Volunteering for the Tri-Valley Youth Court, I work with students in the San Leandro and Castro Valley districts to provide them alternatives to the traditional juvenile justice approach. This includes connecting them with counseling support, Tobacco Use Prevention Education programs, life choices classes, etc. The Youth Court allows students to learn and grow from their mistakes, often proving highly effective.

I have also been appointed by Governor Newsom to serve as a voting member on the State Board of Education as its sole student member, beginning on August 1, 2023. My experiences with the education system and legislative processes have made me passionate about restorative justice and resolving the school-to-prison pipeline.

I have worked within the San Ramon city government for three years. I served one year as Vice-Chairperson of the San Ramon Teen Council. We researched how teen substance abuse could be addressed without relying on severe disciplinary measures that often prove harmful to students’ academic progress. I also worked with the Parks & Services Commission, as well as the Economic Development Advisory and Library Advisory Committees.

**I am including my resume with this application:**

Please check one:  Yes  No

**Are you currently or have you ever been appointed to a Contra Costa County advisory board?**

Please check one:  Yes  No

If Yes, please list the Contra Costa County advisory board(s) on which you are **currently** serving:

If Yes, please also list the Contra Costa County advisory board(s) on which you have **previously** served:

**List any volunteer and community experience, including any boards on which you have served.**

Volunteering for the Tri-Valley Youth Court. Worked with San Ramon city government for three years. Serving a second one-year term as student board member of the San Ramon Valley Unified School District. Appointed to a one-year term on the State Board of Education beginning on August 1st.

**Do you have a familial relationship with a member of the Board of Supervisors?** (Please refer to the relationships listed under the "Important Information" section on page 3 of this application or Resolution No. 2021/234).

Please check one:  Yes  No

If Yes, please identify the nature of the relationship:

**Do you have any financial relationships with the county, such as grants, contracts, or other economic relationships?**

Please check one:  Yes  No

If Yes, please identify the nature of the relationship:

I CERTIFY that the statements made by me in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I acknowledge and understand that all information in this application is publicly accessible. I understand and agree that misstatements and/or omissions of material fact may cause forfeiture of my rights to serve on a board, committee, or commission in Contra Costa County.

Signed:

[Redacted Signature]

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July 17, 2023

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*Questions about this application? Contact the Clerk of the Board at (925) 655-2000 or by email at  
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### **Important Information**

1. This application and any attachments you provide to it is a public document and is subject to the California Public Records Act (CA Government Code §6250-6270).
2. All members of appointed bodies are required to take the advisory body training provided by Contra Costa County.
3. Members of certain boards, commissions, and committees may be required to: 1) file a Statement of Economic Interest Form also known as a Form 700, and 2) complete the State Ethics Training Course as required by AB 1234.
4. Meetings may be held in various locations and some locations may not be accessible by public transportation.
5. Meeting dates and times are subject to change and may occur up to two (2) days per month.
6. Some boards, committees, or commissions may assign members to subcommittees or work groups which may require an additional commitment of time.
7. As indicated in Board Resolution 2021/234, a person will not be eligible for appointment if he/she is related to a Board of Supervisors' member in any of the following relationships: (1) Mother, father, son, and daughter; (2) Brother, sister, grandmother, grandfather, grandson, and granddaughter; (3) Husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, stepson, and stepdaughter; (4) Registered domestic partner, pursuant to California Family Code section 297; (5) The relatives, as defined in 1 and 2 above, for a registered domestic partner; (6) Any person with whom a Board Member shares a financial interest as defined in the Political Reform Act (Gov't Code §87103, Financial Interest), such as a business partner or business associate.

# ANYA AYYAPPAN



Seeking exposure to policymaking from the lenses of political science, economics, sociology to pursue my passions in research and public service.

## AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

### CA STATE STUDENT BOARD MEMBER

Appointed by Governor Newsom to serve on the CA State Board of Education (2023-2024) as a full voting member.

### ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY INVITATIONAL

2022 Placed 4th in Varsity Congressional Debate

### CALIFORNIA STATE TOURNAMENT

2022 Varsity Congressional Debate Finalist  
2021 Varsity Extemporaneous Speaking Qualifier  
2019 Placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Middle School Congress Debate

### TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS QUALIFIER X2

2022 & 2021 University of Kentucky Varsity Congressional Debate

### STANFORD UNIVERSITY NATIONAL INVITATIONAL

2021 Placed 14<sup>th</sup> in Varsity Congressional Debate

### HARVARD UNIVERSITY NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

2022 Placed top 20 out of over 400 competitors in Varsity Congressional Debate

### FLORIDA BLUE KEY NATIONAL INVITATIONAL

2020 Placed 12<sup>th</sup> in Varsity Congressional Debate  
2021 Placed 17<sup>th</sup> in Varsity Congressional Debate

### STANFORD UNIVERSITY MIDDLE SCHOOL NATIONAL INVITATIONAL

2020 Placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Middle School Congressional Debate

### SOUTH BAY MODEL UNITED NATIONS

2021 Outstanding Delegate

### SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

2019 1 of 6 girls district-sponsored for American Association of University Women's Tech Trek Science camp

### TRI-VALLEY MODEL UNITED NATIONS

2020 Honorable Mention

## INTERNSHIPS

### JUN 2022- AUG 2022 UC SANTA CRUZ SCIENCE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM RESEARCHER

- Assisted Ph.D. Candidate Roxanna Villalobos with exploratory research in the field of sociology.
- Research investigated the intersectional subject-formation and varied forms of mobility of Latina girls that live in the rural Central Valley and have direct ties to the region's agricultural sector.
- Used the grounded theory approach to analyze data, this involved transcription and coding of interviews with participants using the platform Dedoose. Created summary statistics in MS Excel. Interpreted relevant literature regarding Mobility and California and Central Valley political economies & histories.

## EDUCATION

### 2020-2024 DOUGHERTY VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

- Weighted 10-12 A-G GPA: 4.71
- SAT Score: 1560
- Current courses: AP US History, Journalism 2, Spanish 4 Honors, AP Literature, AP Seminar, AP Psychology

### SUMMER 2022 OBERLIN COLLEGE – PIONEER ACADEMICS PROGRAM

- Mentored by Dr. Kristina Mani, Associate Professor of Politics and Chair of Latin American Studies.

- Conducted undergraduate-level research in the fields of international relations and political science on evaluating the development status of countries in international organizations, using China as a case study. Leveraged statistical and discourse analysis. Outlined research process and findings in a 25-page paper.

## 2021-2022 **DIABLO VALLEY COLLEGE**

- Cumulative GPA: 4.00
- Courses: POLSC 121 Introduction to US Government, ECON 221 Principles of Microeconomics, ECON 220 Principles of Macroeconomics, POLSC 240 Political Theory, POLSC 250 International Relations

## **SKILLS**

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Report Writing
- Critical Thinking
- Strong Work Ethic
- Leadership Abilities
- Data Analysis
- Proficient in MS Office

## **ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS**

### **San Ramon Valley Unified School District Student Trustee** 2022 - present

- Representing over 30,000 K-12 students on the SRVUSD Board of Education. Appointed to a one-year term in June 2022. Reappointed in June 2023 to serve a second term.
- Active member of the following committees: Equity Steering, Grading Reform, Facilities Master Plan, LCAP
- Leading a youth advisory group of 30+ students who represent all secondary school sites in the district.

### **San Ramon Teen Council** 2019 - 2022

- 17-member committee advising on city policies, services, and programs pertaining to teens.
- Appointed by City Council to serve as Vice Chair 2021-2022
- Chaired Public Relations subcommittee 2021-2022
- Served as a liaison to San Ramon Library Advisory Committee and Parks & Recreation Commission.
- Led Teen Council Ambassador Program with over 25 students and taught inner workings of city govt.

### **The Wildcat Tribune – DVHS School Newspaper** 2021 - present

- Serving as News Editor for 2022-2023 school year. Overseeing the News section, fact-checking stories and providing feedback to writers. Proficient in Adobe InDesign and Photoshop.
- Reporting for the SRVUSD Board of Education Beat.

### **Speech & Debate** 2018 - present

- DVHS Varsity Congressional Debate Team Co-captain 2022 – 2023
  - Engaging in research and debate on legislation for a myriad of domestic and international topics pertaining to economics, political science, and law.
- DVHS Bridge Program Mentor
  - Teaching Middle Schoolers the fundamentals of Speech & Debate.
- Varsity International Extemporaneous Speaking 2021 - present
  - Event involves crafting a 7-minute speech on current affairs with a limited preparation time of 30 minutes.

### **Tri Valley Youth Court Volunteer (San Leandro & Castro Valley)** 2022 – present

- Working with youth to recommend restorative justice alternatives to the traditional juvenile justice route.

### **California Youth Crisis Line Counselor** 2023 - present

- Completed 52 hours of training spread over 6 weeks. Educated on clinical issues affecting youth and trained to connect callers with relevant resources and local youth-serving agencies.
- Following protocols to assist callers using a crisis intervention counseling model.

### **Model United Nations** 2020 - present

- Researching the policies of a country and representing them in committees ranging from the UN Human Rights Council to the Disarmament and International Security Committee.