



# Contra Costa 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

First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	
Maxwell	Z	Prost	
Home Address - Street	City	State	Postal Code
	Richmond	CA	94805
Primary Phone (best number to reach you)	Email Address		
Resident of Supervisorial District (if out of County, please enter N/A): District 1 <a href="#">District Locator Tool</a>			
Do you work in Contra Costa County? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, in which District do you work? District 1			
Current Employer	Job Title	Length of Employment	
none	none	none	
How long have you lived or worked in Contra Costa County? 11 years			

Board, Committee, or Commission	Seat Name
Juvenile Justice Coordination Committee	At-large youth seat
Have you ever attended a meeting of the advisory board for which you are applying?	
Please check one: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, how many? 2	

## 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	
none	none	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
none	none	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
none	none	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Occupational Licenses Completed:	none	Certificate Awarded for Training?	
Other Trainings Completed:	none	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	none	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

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

If Yes, please explain: Depending on when meetings are held, I might be in school as I am a High Schooler.

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'm a high school student deeply invested in community organizing, politics, and social work, with a particular focus on issues within America's criminal justice system, especially the school-to-prison pipeline dilemma. I have conducted extensive research, including multiple papers submitted for school and the Model United Nations Club. I firmly believe that addressing these issues starts at the grassroots level within our own communities and among the people within them. I desire to be a part of the solution by giving back to my community and supporting youth like myself, working towards solutions to this nationwide problem

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

I am a highly ambitious, well spoken activist, advocate, and aspiring politician ready to work hard and contribute my best effort into anything asked of me. I have a 4.2 Weighted GPA in highschool, am a varsity Track and Field/Cross Country runner and captain, and involved in clubs such as Model UN and Speech and Debate, both of which I serve as club leader. I have also worked with and in AAPI Youth Rising, an Asian American advocacy group, and have served on the Albany Board Policy Committee. I worked in close association with Supervisor John Gioia, and assisted him and his team over the summer.

**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:

none

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

none

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

Volunteer at District 1 summer Thrive Thursday's.  
Worked with the fire advisory commission of District 1 in El Cerrito.  
Interned at District 1 Supervisor John Gioia's office.

**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: none

**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: none



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: Maxwell Prost

Date: 8/25/24

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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.

# Max Prost

Richmond, CA 94805

## EXPERIENCE

### Intern at Office of Contra Costa County Supervisor John Gioia's Office May 2024 - August 2024

I worked closely with Supervisor John Gioia and his team over the summer to come up with smart, creative solutions to various problems in CCC, including: equitable healthcare, climate activism, and affordable housing. I also learned valuable skills such as networking, cold-calling, and advertising.

### Albany City Council Board Policy Committee

November 2023 - Present

I collaborate with administrators to develop programs that address current challenges faced by the student body and maintain accurate records of student activities and interactions with staff members. Similarly, I encourage diversity initiatives to foster an inclusive environment for all learners.

### Student Advocacy Committee

January 2022 - Present

I assist students with understanding their rights and responsibilities, and advocate for their needs to my city's educational department. I facilitate communication between faculty members and students regarding academic issues and compile student data and feedback to present to the Albany City Council.

### Model United Nations

January 2022 - Present

Research and analyze global political issues such as human rights, international law, and economic development. I conduct mock negotiations with other delegates to simulate real-world diplomatic interactions. In Model UN we deliver powerful speeches in front of large audiences to advocate for a particular position or resolution. I write detailed and elaborate reports with carefully thought-out proposals that address complex international conflicts.

### Speech and Debate

January 2022 - Present

In Speech and Debate I focus on impromptu speaking and debating. I provide constructive critiques for debate team member performances to help newer members. I also work on vocal technique and speech structure and strategy to deliver charismatic and logically sound on-the-fly speeches. I interact with my audience during presentations to engage and capture their attention.

### Outward Bound USA Graduate

Jun 8 - Jul 24, 2022

I am an experienced outdoor enthusiast with a passion for leading backpacking expeditions through rugged terrain. Proven track record of guiding groups safely while fostering teamwork and personal growth. Skilled in wilderness navigation, risk management, and emergency response protocols. Committed to providing transformative outdoor experiences and promoting environmental stewardship.

### Student Advocacy Committee

January 2022 - Present

I assist students understand their rights, and advocate for their needs to my city's educational department. I facilitate communication between faculty members and students regarding academic issues and compile student data and feedback to present to Albany City Council.

## SUMMARY

I am a hard working, creative, and disciplined high school student with an interest in the humanities: specifically politics, sociology, moral philosophy, and writing/history. My focus and drive to succeed is driven by my own desire to better myself and achieve something significant in my life.

## AWARDS

### Speech and Debate:

Finalist and Award Winner at Bay Area Speech Competition at Las Lomas High School 2023.

### Model UN:

Outstanding Delegate at BMUN 2024 Spring Conference at UC Berkeley.

### Art:

2023 Bay Area Creative Youth Foundation award winner.

### Literature:

Harvard Crimson Global Creative Essay Competition top 50 finalist 2023.

## LANGUAGES

Native fluency in Mandarin.

Intermediate proficiency in Spanish.

## EDUCATION

### Albany High School - Rising Junior

Graduation Year: 2026

4.0 unweighted GPA

4.2 weighted GPA

Captain of Varsity Cross Country and Track and Field distance running as a freshman.

2nd Place at Farmer Invitational 2023

19th Place at Lowell Invitational 2023