



Jaylin Hart is an insightful and innovative youth leader dedicated to reshaping the child welfare landscape. Jaylin serves as a Youth Ambassador for the Overcoming Hurdles in Ohio Youth Advisory Board (OHIO YAB) and was a key member of the Montgomery County VISION Board. Through strategic legislative advocacy, public speaking, and media projects, Jaylin actively influences policies and practices to support youth in out-of-home care.

Key Accomplishments:

- Met with state legislators regarding youth who run away to escape abuse
- Met with the Ohio Department of Children and Youth to discuss risks related to reunification
- Shared valuable insights as part of the SW Ohio Youth Voice Video Project
- Featured in a year-long documentary project: Placed: The Journey Through Foster Care
- Connected with Ohio legislators during the 2025 Statehouse Advocacy Day for Current and Former Foster Youth to push for systemic reform

Presentation Experience:

- Youth Panelist during the 2026 DCY KIDS Summit
- Presented for the 2024 DCY All Staff Meeting
- Assisted with youth pre-conference activities as part of the Daniel Memorial National Independent Living Conference