

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK, WEEK 37–38 (9–20.9.2026)

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 93

The margin of error is 10 % and can to a certain extent be considered to reflect the opinions of the population in Jakobstad.

### YOUTH GALA

*In the Question of the Week the residents were asked: "In 2026 the youth council in Jakobstad is celebrating its 20-year anniversary. To celebrate this, we have decided to organise a gala to highlight actors in the town who work in various ways for the benefit of young people.*

*The gala is being held on Friday 9 October at 18.00 in the Schauman Hall. Among other things, we will be enjoying music and dance performances from young people in the town as well as other fun programmes. There will also be food during the evening.*

*At the gala a total of 8 awards in different categories will be presented to people, organisations, or associations working for the young people in the town. All the residents of the town will now have the chance to nominate who they think should receive an award.*

- 1. The youth friendly company of the year - A company that in some way has worked for young people to have a chance to get into working life or enjoy their job.*
- 2. The youth of the year - A young person in the town who has been working for the benefit of other young people.*
- 3. The young artist of the year - A young person who has contributed to youth enjoying themselves and feeling well in Jakobstad through their art.*
- 4. The young entrepreneur of the year - A young person who has started a company and actively has been working in the company.*
- 5. The adult in school of the year - An adult in school who has contributed to the pupils enjoying school and feeling well.*
- 6. The young musician of the year - A young person who has contributed to the well-being of the young people through their music.*
- 7. Youth initiative of the year - An initiative that in some way has contributed to the youth enjoying themselves and to their well-being in the town or an initiative that in some other way has improved the status of the youth in Jakobstad.*
- 8. The investment of the year on young people's health - An investment that has improved the well-being of the youth in Jakobstad."*

## NEXT STEP

A total of 93 nominations has been received, which the Youth Gala planning group will shortlist to four nominees in each category. The final decision on the winners will be made by the Culture and Leisure Section at its meeting on 6 October 2026, but the winners will not be announced publicly until the Youth Gala.

If you are interested in finding out how your nominee performed in the voting, you are warmly welcome to attend the Youth Gala on Friday, 9 October 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Schauman Hall.

*More information:*

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