



YOUTH LEADERSHIP NASSAU PROGRAM 2017-18

Youth Leadership Nassau is now accepting applications for the 14th annual Youth Leadership Nassau program.

Program Objectives:

- To identify high school students who have demonstrated leadership qualities and concern for the community.
- To present in-depth programs that will acquaint participants with community needs, opportunities, problems and resources, and provide interaction with community leaders and decision makers.
- To develop an understanding of leadership qualities and group skills.
- To provide opportunities for students from different areas to know one another and develop a level of mutual trust and respect.

Sessions:

The program will consist of an initial evening orientation and seven (7) all-day sessions (9:00 - 3:00 PM unless otherwise notified), all designed to inform students on facets of the community.

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| • September 18, Monday | Orientation for Students and Parents/Guardians |
| • September 26, Tuesday | Day Session 1: Team Building |
| • October 31, Tuesday | Day Session 2: Environmental Issues |
| • November 15, Wednesday | Day Session 3: Justice and Law Enforcement |
| • December 6, Wednesday | Day Session 4: Government |
| • January 18, Thursday | Day Session 5: Economic Development and Entrepreneurship |
| • February 21, Wednesday | Day Session 6: Quality of Life/The Arts/Area History |
| • March 13, Tuesday | Day Session 7: Life Skills and Graduation (families attend graduation) |

These dates are tentative and subject to change. Students are responsible for making up class assignments they will miss on program days. All schools will be contacted after each program date with a class attendance log, so participation days are considered excused absences. The selection process will take place immediately and all applicants will be notified of the selection decision by letters via email. Please make sure you write legibly and give a correct email address on your application for both the student and the parent, if available.

Requirements:

The program is designed for sophomore and junior aged students. Participants must attend at least 6 of the 7 day sessions to successfully complete the program.

Completed applications along with a recommendation letter from a teacher, counselor, employer or other responsible adult not related to you must be received by noon on August 31, 2017. A 1- to 3-minute video describing why you should be selected to participate in this program must be submitted by the end of the day (midnight) on August 31, 2017.

Please turn in your application to the front office at your school or to the Nassau County Extension Service, Attn: Kristen Poppell, 543350 US Highway 1 North, Callahan, FL 32011. A Leadership Nassau representative will pick up applications at the schools in the afternoon on August 31st. **For further information, please call Kristen Poppell at the Nassau County Extension Service, (904) 530-6353 or (855) 212-1244.



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COMMITMENT STATEMENT

To successfully complete the Youth Leadership Nassau program and receive a certificate, students accept responsibility for maintaining good conduct and appearance and will follow directions at all times. It is understood that students must attend six (6) of the seven (7) Leadership Nassau Youth program sessions (9 AM – 3 PM unless otherwise notified) to graduate from the Leadership Nassau Youth program. Transportation to and from designated meeting sites is the responsibility of the applicant. If you are selected to attend this program, a program fee will be paid for you.

I agree to the above attendance policy and commitment statement.

Student Signature Date

As parent / guardian of the above applicant, I support his/her commitment to and participation in the Leadership Nassau Youth Program.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

PROGRAM AGREEMENTS – These agreements are strongly recommended, but not required for program participation:

We agree that the student participant may be photographed for publicity purposes during the course of this program. Student _____ Parent _____

We agree to participate in the Remind notification program in order to receive important notices about Youth Leadership Nassau such as meeting dates, times, locations, dress code, and other program information. Student _____ Parent _____

Please be sure to attach the required recommendation letter to your application. Unfortunately, incomplete applications will not be considered.