



***The Mission of the Youth Leadership Collier Program is to develop ethical leaders committed to active community involvement.***

## **2012 APPLICATION**

Youth Leadership Collier is a student leadership development program for Collier County High School juniors who are preparing to enter their senior year. Through an intensive and rewarding five-day summer program, Youth Leadership Collier focuses on personal growth, team building, ethical leadership and community stewardship.

The class members visit area businesses and stakeholders to learn about their varied business models and company cultures. They tour facilities, hear from the leaders who represent those entities and also learn why those businesses and area stakeholders believe strongly in being involved in the community.

Students also spend a full day learning about our county government, judicial / court system and our law enforcement agencies; having unprecedented interaction with governmental leaders, judges and law enforcement officials to learn about how they serve the community.

The Youth Leadership Collier experience addresses:

- ◆ A greater knowledge about each individual participant.
- ◆ The value of working as a team.
- ◆ Ethical leadership.
- ◆ Community stewardship
- ◆ Area business models and cultures.
- ◆ Area governmental models.
- ◆ Law enforcement and our judicial system.
- ◆ Environmental challenges and possible solutions.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants must:

- Be a member of the 2011-2012 junior class of a Collier County school (includes public, private, alternative and home-schools).
- Demonstrate leadership in your school and/or the community.
- Have an interest in furthering your knowledge about Collier County and community leadership.
- Commit to FULL PARTICIPATION in the YLC program week.

***Questions? Contact Youth Leadership Collier Program Administrator at 239-298-7926.***

# PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

## Incomplete or Inaccurately Completed Applications will be rejected.

Please make sure you do not have any conflicts with the program week dates or with tuition for this program. All applicants should confirm with a parent/guardian and/or a school official before applying. **Program tuition is \$500.00** and is due upon acceptance and no later than Friday, May 11, 2012. Financial aid may be available for those who qualify. A financial aid request form is available from the YLC Program Office upon request.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- All applications must be typed or legibly printed in black ink.
- Applications must be **received in the YLC Program office** by close of business, **Tuesday, February 28, 2012**.
- Applications may be submitted by postal mail, email or hand delivered to our office **no later than Tuesday, February 28, 2012**.
- We will send an email to each applicant acknowledging receipt of their application utilizing the email address you included in the application form).

YLC Program Office Address:  
Leadership Collier Foundation  
Youth Leadership Collier Program  
2390 Tamiami Trail North, Suite 210  
Naples, FL 34103

Email address:  
[erin@napleschamber.org](mailto:erin@napleschamber.org)

### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Students are responsible for transportation to and from the program day site. Transportation during the program day will be provided by the YLC Program Committee. Students are not permitted to use their own transportation during the program day.
- Program day schedules vary. **Overnight stays are required during the YLC opening retreat** (Saturday and Sunday nights).
- Full payment of tuition is due at the time of acceptance into the program.
- A financial aid request form is available from the YLC Program Office upon request.
- A standard consent form and medical release form must be completed and signed by a parent or legal guardian upon acceptance in the program.
- Brief telephone interviews will be conducted with all applicants by members of the selection team to verify information on the application. Please return phone calls from interviewers within 48 hours. If a student does not get called by an interviewer by March 18th, **it is the student's responsibility** to contact us on March 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> to let us know that you have not been interviewed. Call the Youth Leadership Collier Program Administrator at (239) 298-7926 or Interviewer, Paul Garrah @ 239-784-2942.

### PROGRAM CALENDAR

- The program week: **Saturday – Thursday, June 16 – 21, 2012**.
- Opening retreat: Saturday, June 16 and Sunday, June 17. Overnight stays are required for both nights. Cost of lodging is included in the tuition fee.

### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

*All applications are confidential.  
Deadline for applying is Tuesday,  
February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012.*

Before you submit your application, please make sure all of the following pages are included (applicants should retain a copy of the application for your records):

- Personal Information/Organizations and Activities/Work Experience
- Community Knowledge
- Ethics and Leadership Responses

Check accuracy of phone #s for interview purposes.

### SELECTION PROCESS

- All applications will be reviewed by the Youth Leadership Collier selection committee.
- All applicants will be notified in writing by **April 6, 2012**.
- **Program tuition is \$500.00** and is due upon acceptance and no later than Friday, May 11, 2012.
- An information packet will be sent to all applicants that are selected to participate in the program. The packet includes a parent/guardian consent form, medical release, and other information you will need to make your participation in the program successful and enjoyable.
- Class participants must return any required forms/authorizations within established timeframes in order to participate in the program week – **no exceptions**.

Please Type or Print in **BLACK INK**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name:	Last:	First:	Middle:
Home Address:			
City:		Zip Code:	
Phone:	Home:	Cell:	
Email (required):			
School:	School Presently Attending:	Expected Graduation Year:	

How did you hear about the Youth Leadership Collier Program?

**Voluntary**      **The following is requested for informational purposes only and is not a selection criteria.**

Demographic Information:     African American     Caucasian     Hispanic     American Indian  
 Asian or Pacific American     Other (specify)

**Secondary Contact Information**

Parent(s) or Guardian Name:	
Parent(s) or Guardian Email Address:	
Parent(s) or Guardian Cell Phone:	

**ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**

Please list, in order of importance to you, up to five (5) school, volunteer, religious, social, athletic, or other activities/organizations in which you have participated in the last 3-4 years.

<b>Activity/Organization</b>	<b>Grade in School</b>	<b>Leadership Responsibility/Involvement</b>

List up to three (3) special awards, honors or recognitions for academic, school, or community-related activities you have received during high school:

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3. How have you used these attributes to demonstrate your leadership?

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### COMMUNITY

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1. What are some of the reasons you are proud to live in Collier County?

2. In your opinion, what is the biggest challenge Collier County is facing that you would change and what are your suggestions to overcome this challenge? Why?



I certify that the answers I have provided in this application are accurate and that I have read and understand all instructions and the terms for participation, if selected.

During the selection process, you will be contacted via phone for a brief phone interview. Please return phone calls from interviewers within 48 hours. If a student does not get called by an interviewer by March 18th, it is the student's responsibility to contact us on March 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> to let us know that you have not been interviewed. Call the Youth Leadership Collier Program Administrator at (239) 298-7926 or Interviewer, Paul Garrah @ 239-784-2942.

I agree that if accepted into the 2012 YLC class, I will participate fully in the program and will submit tuition payment within the established time frame. I will contact the YLC Program Office at 239-298-7926 if I have any questions about tuition or tuition assistance.

I understand that most communications will generally be by email and should be responded to by me (it is the student's responsibility) and not my parent(s) and I have provided a valid email address.

I understand that the program week is Saturday, June 16th through Thursday, June 21st and that there are two (2) required overnight stays on June 16th and 17th, and the cost of all food, lodging and transportation during the program week will be included in my program tuition.

Student / Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student / Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) or Legal Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) or Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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