



# ***Tomorrow's Leaders***

## ***Application Form***

### ***Why You Should Apply***

Tomorrow's Leaders is a student leadership training program which offers an exciting opportunity to learn more about your community. In this program, you will meet community leaders and student leaders from other schools who, like yourself, share concerns, hopes and dreams for Volusia County. Participating students will receive 4 excused absences on scheduled seminar days. **Attendance at all 4 seminars, orientation, and graduation reception are mandatory to graduate from the program.**

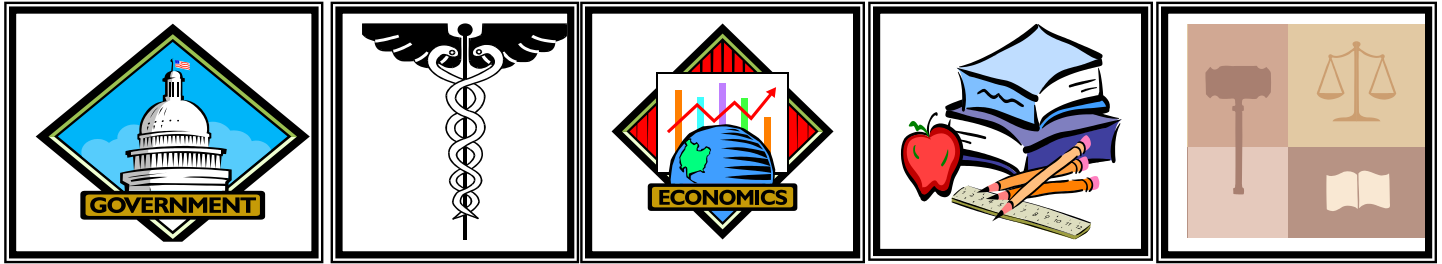
Begin to widen your horizons by applying to the Tomorrow's Leaders program and find out how you can help to make Volusia County a better place in which to live!

**[www.FuturesVolusia.org](http://www.FuturesVolusia.org)**

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## *FUTURES Foundation Leadership Training Program*



### **The Purpose:**

TOMORROW'S LEADERS is a leadership training opportunity for high school juniors. Through a five-month program of highly structured activities, participants become familiar with current issues, community resources, and other factors influencing the direction of Volusia County's future. Participation in TOMORROW'S LEADERS prepares students for constructive leadership and responsible participation in the affairs of Volusia County.

### **Criteria for Selection:**

- Must be a high school junior in Volusia County public schools
- Must be academically sound since program requires some absence from school
- Must demonstrate leadership ability - may include non-traditional initiatives
- Must be self-reliant
- Must agree to program commitment
- Must have parental permission
- Must have transportation to and from seminars

### **The Participants:**

Approximately 40 Volusia County high school juniors will be selected each year to participate. Student nominations must be approved by high school principals before being selected by a community-based committee.

### **The Program:**

The program begins in October with an orientation for student and their parents.

This orientation also allows participants to meet each other and form a foundation for future relationships.

From October through March, students are involved in a series of four seminars and a workshop. Topics selected will be pertinent to Volusia County and will cover such areas as:

- Criminal Justice system
- Health/Social services
- Government/Diversity
- Economic Development/Education

At each seminar the students are instructed on the qualities associated with being a successful leader, such as goal setting, communicating effectively, time management, and human behavior and motivation.

Volunteering in the community is also a significant way of learning to become a community leader. Therefore, participants are required to perform 12 hours of volunteer service at their school and/or in a community service organization of their choice, and to fill out an evaluation form detailing their involvement. Students will also be required to submit a full page typed report at the conclusion of Tomorrow's Leaders detailing how his/her leadership skills have been impacted by the program.

Through these seminars, discussions, and volunteer service, participants are challenged to increase their awareness of the interrelationships and complexities of problem solving techniques. In this interactive process, students gain new insights and perspective which will prove essential when they assume leadership positions. Moreover, social awareness, learned leadership skills, and the working relationships obtained through the program assist the participants in achieving personal goals.

# TODAY'S YOUTH...TOMORROW'S LEADERS

applications available on [www.FuturesVolusia.org](http://www.FuturesVolusia.org)

(Only typed applications will be considered.)

Limit your responses to 75 words or less per question

See your Principal/Guidance Counselor for due date.)

## PERSONAL and BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Name: Last: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Alpha I.D.: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents/Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address, City & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any dietary restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special honors, awards, or recognition received: \_\_\_\_\_

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What are your interests, hobbies? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why do you want to participate in the Tomorrow's Leaders program?

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What personal characteristic of yours would you want to improve by participation in the Tomorrow's Leaders program? \_\_\_\_\_

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The Tomorrow's Leaders program requires a significant time commitment. Attendance at all sessions is mandatory for graduation (see dates page 6). Would your after school activities and/or job permit you the flexibility to attend all sessions of the Tomorrow's Leaders Program?

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**I. LEADERSHIP PROFILE**

1. Please list all of your HIGH SCHOOL Activities Add lines as needed.

Organization/Activity Position/Involvement	Year/Grade	Leadership/Position
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

2. Please list all of your COMMUNITY, and/or Place of Worship Add lines as needed.

Organization/Activity Position/Involvement	Year	Leadership/Position
_____	_____	_____
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3. Are you currently employed? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, where? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours per week? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your job responsibilities:

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4. Define Diversity and explain how it is evident in your life. \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Who is your personal hero, and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. What do you think are **the five most important** characteristics of a leader and why?

Characteristic

Why

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7. Tell of a time when you held a leadership position. What did you do?

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8. Why do you think spelling, grammar, and writing skills are important to your success?

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## II. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. As an aspiring leader, what three issues concern you most about life in Volusia County or Society and why? How would you address each one of them?

A. Issue \_\_\_\_\_

1. Why is issue important? \_\_\_\_\_

2. How would you address it? \_\_\_\_\_

B. Issue \_\_\_\_\_

3. Why is issue important? \_\_\_\_\_

4. How would you address it? \_\_\_\_\_

C. Issue \_\_\_\_\_

5. Why is issue important? \_\_\_\_\_

6. How would you address it? \_\_\_\_\_

## III. MOTIVATION AND APPLICATION

1. What are your educational goals? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. What are your career goals? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. How do you specifically plan to apply what you learn in the Tomorrow's Leaders program over the next few years? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Please write a five sentence summary of why you think you should be selected as a participant in this program.  
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## **SCHOOL INPUT**

**Students – do not fill this section out**

**Principal** – Please write a three or four sentence comment/recommendation about your student. Feel free to provide any additional information that would be helpful to the selection committee.

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### **PROGRAM CONSENT**

In order to achieve the objectives of the Tomorrow's Leaders program, certain requirements are essential. Included are:

- 1) Mandatory attendance at all four seminars, orientation and graduation reception is required to graduate from the program.
- 2) Completion of twelve hours of volunteer service.
- 3) Completion of a full page typed report at program conclusion.
- 4) Transportation to and from the location where each session will begin and end. Transportation from point to point during each session will be provided.

Seminars and workshop will be held during school hours on 5 school days. Tentative dates are: **November 14, December 9, January 19, February 16 and March 7.** Excused school absences will be granted for each session. There will also be an Orientation Program – **October 26, 5:30 p.m.**, and Graduation Reception – **April 11, 5:30 p.m.**

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Principal: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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