



Tomorrow's Leaders

Application Form

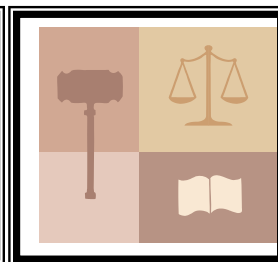
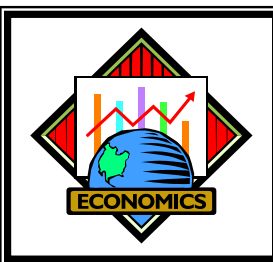
Why You Should Apply

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 5 excused absences on scheduled seminar/workshop days. **Attendance at all 4 seminars, one workshop, orientation, and graduation 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 to live!

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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 36 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 function for students 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 discussions. Topics selected will be pertinent to Volusia County and will cover such areas as:

- Criminal justice system
- Economic development
- Health/Social services
- Government/Diversity

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.

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

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(only typed applications will be considered, see your
Principal/Guidance Counselor for due date)

PERSONAL 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: _____

Are you currently employed? _____ If so, where? _____

How many hours per week? _____

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 and community activities in order of importance to you. (score 1-10 pts) Add lines as needed.

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

2. Of your community activities, what is your favorite and why? (score 0-5pts) _____

3. Please list any special honors, awards, or recognition received: (score 0-5pts) _____

4. Who is your personal hero, and why? (score 0-5pts) _____

5. What do you think are the most important characteristics of a leader and why?
(score 0-5pts)

6. Define "diversity" and explain how it is evident in you life(score 0-10pts)

II. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. As an aspiring leader, what three issues concern you most about life in Volusia County and why? (score 0-10pts)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

2. How would you address one of the concerns that you listed above? (score 0-10pts)

3. Imagine yourself in a future "Community Leadership Position." Which position would that be and what would you want to achieve in that position? (score 0-10pts) _____

III. VALUE AND APPLICATION

1. What are your educational and career goals? (score 0-7pts) _____

2. What do you believe is your leadership potential and how do you hope to develop it? (score 0-15pts)

3. What personal characteristic of yours would you want to improve by participation in the Tomorrow's Leaders program? (score 0-7pts) _____

4. How do you plan to apply the knowledge you gain in the Tomorrow's Leaders program over the next three years? (score 0-11pts)

IV. MOTIVATION AND ENTHUSIASM

1. Why do you want to participate in the Tomorrow's Leaders program? (score 0-10pts) _____

2. Tell of a time when you held a leadership position. What did you do? How did you and the group/organization benefit? (score 0-10 pts)

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.

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, one workshop, orientation and graduation is required to graduate from the program. Additional meetings may be required for the graduation project.
- 2) Transportation to and from the location where each session will begin and end. Transportation from point to point during each session will be provided.
- 3) Completion of twelve hours of volunteer service.
- 4) Completion of a group graduation project.

Seminars and workshop will be held during school hours on 4 school days. Tentative dates are: November, December, January, February, March. Excused school absences will be granted for each session. There will also be an Orientation Program – October 21, 5:30 p.m., and Graduation Program-March, 5:30 p.m.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Principal: _____ Date: _____

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