

YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM (YLF) STAFF APPLICATION

Responsibilities of primary staff volunteers: All volunteers must be familiar with the YLF curriculum and support its program objectives. All volunteer staff must be at least 18 years of age and preference will be given to YLF alumni and other adults with disabilities. All volunteers must participate in a formal YLF staff orientation, prior to their service. All volunteers are considered **FULL TIME** and **MUST** remain **onsite** for the duration of the program. Full time staff will be **required** to be available from **Sunday, July 19th until the end of the forum on Thursday, July 23th, 2009. *Staff Application deadline is May 1st, 2009!***

YLF CO-CHAIRS: The YLF Co-Chairs supervise all volunteer staff positions described.

GROUP CO-COUNSELORS: Adults who facilitate small group sessions. As a team, they will be assigned to a small group to assist students with completion of leadership exercises, facilitate small group discussions and assist students in developing their personal leadership plan. Responsibilities also include providing supervision, support and guidance to student delegates.

PEER COUNSELORS: Young adults with disabilities who are role models and can relate to high school students with disabilities. Peer counselors are assigned to one of the small groups. Responsibilities include interacting with students and providing supervision, conducting evening room checks, communicating with House parents if unusual circumstances or students needing special assistance are identified, and providing support and guidance as a team member of the counseling staff.

PROGRAM ASSISTANTS: Young people who have experience as participants in a similar leadership conference, supporting counseling staff, assisting with other program activities, promoting student spirit and motivation, conducting wake-up calls in the morning, providing assistance to delegates, and assisting House parents when requested.

HOUSE PARENTS: Adults who advise students during the night time hours and are expected to carry out the rules of the Ohio Youth Leadership Forum's program committee. Responsibilities include: night supervision of the delegates, securing assistive and medical support for students (as needed) and identifying situations that need resolution. House parents oversee all student delegates on-site and are not assigned to specific small groups.

GENERAL ASSISTANT: Provides assistance as needed (assistance may include helping delegates, in small group setting, with reading and writing or assist with general coordination duties of the forum).

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