



CLASS OF 2012 CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS

- Please complete each section in full. Type or print in black ink.
- Completed application must be signed by student, principal and parent/legal guardian.
- Applications must be accompanied by two (2) letters of recommendation.
- Completed applications must be received by **September 9, 2011**.
- Turn in completed applications to your School Office at:
 - Lone Oak High School
 - Reidland High School
 - Heath High School
 - Paducah Tilghman
 - St. Mary/Community Christian
- **Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.** It is your responsibility to have the completed application and two letters of reference to Youth L.E.A.D by the application deadline.
- Selected participants will need to submit a \$50 nonrefundable fee by **October 7, 2011**. Checks should be made payable to Leadership Paducah Foundation.
- Call or email questions to Stacy Thomas at 270.443.1746 or stthomas@paducahchamber.org.

PROGRAM SELECTION

- Participation in Youth L.E.A.D is open to students in Paducah/McCracken County who will be juniors in the 2011/2012 school year.
- Participants must have the full support of the school they represent and their parent/legal guardian.
- Attendance at all of the sessions is mandatory. Those who do not meet the attendance requirements will not be eligible to graduate from the program.
- The Leadership Paducah Foundation Board will serve as the Youth L.E.A.D Selection Committee. Participants will be selected based upon the information provided in the application. The committee will be seeking representation from a cross-section of the community.
- Applicants will be notified of selection by their principal.

PROGRAM DATES

Opening Retreat	October 12, 2011	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Human Needs/Service Learning	November 16, 2011	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Communication & Career Development	December 7, 2011	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Business & Economy Day	January 11, 2012	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Law & Government Day	February 8, 2012	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Healthcare Day	March 14, 2012	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Graduation Day	April 12, 2012	7:30 AM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____
 Last **First** **Middle** **Nickname**

Address _____
 Street **Apartment/Unit#**

_____ **City** **State** **Zip**

Phone _____ Email Address _____

Age ___ Sex ___ Date of Birth _____ Ethnic Background _____

School _____ 2011/2012 Grade Level _____

School Contact _____ School Contact Phone _____

ACTIVITIES

List up to five (5) school activities you have participated in during the last four years.

Name of Club/Organization/Sport	Years	Your Role

List up to five (5) non-school related activities you have participated in during the last four years.

Name of Club/Organization/Sport	Years	Your Role

If you have not had the opportunity to participate in activities, why not?

___ Time ___ Not Interested ___ Work ___ Financial Resources ___ Other
 (Please Specify) _____

What is your main interest of studies? _____

SHORT ESSAY (LIMIT RESPONSES TO ONE (1) PARAGRAPH)

1. If you could have dinner with anyone, living or deceased, who would it be and why?

2. In your opinion, what responsibility do youth have to help solve community problems?

3. If you could change anything in Paducah/McCracken County, what would it be and why?

Why do you want to participate in Youth LEAD?

RECOMMENDATIONS

Two (2) written recommendations are required to support your application. Please have these letters addressed to Stacy Thomas, Leadership Director and sent to The Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce no later than **September 9, 2011**. List below two individuals who will be sending references.

Name _____ Title/Business _____

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PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION

Student Name _____ School _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Name (Please Print) _____

I have read the information on Youth L.E.A.D and am willing to have my child participate. I understand it is my responsibility to provide transportation for my child to and from the sessions. In the event that transportation is required during a session, Youth L.E.A.D, its agents, and its employees and volunteers have my full permission and consent to transport my child by an appropriate means of transportation.

I hereby release and hold harmless Youth L.E.A.D, its members, its agents, employees or any individuals involved in planning, organizing or presenting programs, for any accident, injury, illness or any damage whatsoever related to the above mentioned student's attendance at or participation in any activity or session of Youth L.E.A.D.

I hereby grant Youth L.E.A.D permission to photograph my child and to publish the photos in connection with the advertisement of Youth L.E.A.D including without limitation brochures, portfolios, flyers, catalogues and websites.

I have reviewed the session schedule.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

COMMITMENT

If selected, I am committed to attending the program opening retreat, each of the five sessions and graduation. I understand the goals and commitments of Youth L.E.A.D, and if selected will devote the required time and attention to the program.

I understand that if selected, a \$50.00 nonrefundable fee is due **October 7, 2011**.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____