

# Youth Leadership Greater Washington 2015

**FOUNDED IN 1991**, Youth Leadership Greater Washington provides a six-month, interactive youth leadership development and community education program for high school sophomores and juniors in the Greater Washington region. Each year Leadership Greater Washington selects proven or aspiring youth leaders from diverse backgrounds and provides them with the opportunity to learn from each other in addition to some of the area's most important decision makers. Through discussion and first-hand experiences, YLGW youth leaders will gain a greater understanding of to study various topics and regional issues such as diversity, the arts, health, public service and community service.

#### Eligibility

- High school sophomores and juniors in the Greater Washington region (District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia).
- Proven or aspiring youth leaders in school and/or community.
- A strong interest in learning about and addressing the needs of the Greater Washington community.
- A desire to improve one's leadership skills.

#### To Apply

- Complete the application online at http://bit.ly/YLGW15Application or download a PDF application from www.lgwdc.org.
- Provide two letters of recommendation: one academic reference and one personal reference.
- Complete the Commitment & Consent Form,
- An application fee of \$35 is due with a completed application. If the application fee is a hardship, contact Mioshi Moses at mmoses@lgwdc.org. Checks made payable to Leadership Greater Washington or pay with credit card online: http://bit.ly/YLGWAppFee
- Submit the application by 5:00 pm on October 31, 2014. Completed forms and recommendation letters can be delivered via e-mail to Kate Fiorianti at kfiorianti@lgwdc.org or mailed to:

Leadership Greater Washington 1602 L Street, NW Suite 950 Washington, DC 20036

• For more information, contact LGW Administrative Assistant Kate Fiorianti at 202.465.3201 or kfiorianti@lgwdc.org.

#### Notification

• All applicants will be notified of the Selection Committee's decision by mail during the second week of December.

#### **Program Information**

- Program days are held from 9:00 am 5:00 pm on the dates below at locations around the Greater Washington region.
- Breakfast, lunch, snacks and beverages will be provided on each program day.

#### **Class of 2015 Program Dates**

Friday, January 16, 2015 Friday, February 6, 2015 Friday, March 13, 2015 Friday, April 17, 2015 Friday, May 8, 2015 Friday, June 5, 2015

#### Tuition

- Thanks to the generosity of corporate and individual investors, the participation fee of \$1,800 has been waived for each student.
- Leadership Greater Washington is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and accepts donations to defray programming costs.

# Youth Leadership Greater Washington 2015 Application

1. Please type or print all responses.

2. Please complete all sections of the application in the spaces provided on this form. You may attach additional pages as needed.

#### STUDENT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name (Last)	(First)	(Middle)				
Name You Prefer to be Called						
Home Address						
City	State	Zip Code				
Applicant Cell Phone	Applicant E-mai	l				
Gender 🗌 Male 🗌 Female	Current Grade L	Current Grade Level				
School	Cumulative Grad	_ Cumulative Grade Point Average				
PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION						
Name	E-mail	_ E-mail				
Home Phone	Daytime Phone	_ Daytime Phone				
Name	E-mail	_ E-mail				
Home Phone	Daytime Phone					
STUDENT DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATI	ON					
	/race, age, gender ar	d other aspects of diversity are criteria that guide				
Please mark the racial/ethnic category(ies	s) which identify you	:				
African American/Black Asian/Pac	ific Islander 🗌 Cau	ucasian 🗌 Hispanic/Latino 🗌 Native American				
Other						
SPECIAL AWARDS/HONORS						
Awards/Honor	Presented by	Date (Year)				
EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES						
Activity		Dates of Activity				
Activity		Dates of Activity				
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#### **PERSONAL STATEMENTS**

Use a separate sheet to respond to the following questions; limit each response to 150 words.

- A. How do you define leadership?
- B. How have you demonstrated leadership in your academic, extracurricular, and/or social activities?
- C. Name one issue facing the Greater Washington region and describe what kind of leadership you believe is needed to address this challenge.

#### HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT YOUTH LEADERSHIP GREATER WASHINGTON?



# Youth Leadership Greater Washington 2015 Recommendation Letters

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Each YLGW applicant is required to provide two letters of recommendation: one academic reference (teacher, guidance counselor, coach) and one personal reference (adult non-family member). The recommendation letters can be sent with the completed application or delivered separately. Applications will not be considered compete unless both recommendation letters are received by the 5:00 pm October 31, 2014 deadline. Letters can be delivered via email to Administrative Assistant Kate Fiorianti at kfiorianti@lgwdc.org or mailed to:

## Leadership Greater Washington

1602 L Street, NW Suite 950 Washington, DC 20036

## WITHIN EACH RECOMMENDATION, PLEASE INCLUDE

- Applicant Name
- Reference Name
- Reference Title and Employer
- Reference Preferred Mailing Address
- Reference E-mail Address and Phone Number

### **RECOMMENDATION GUIDELINES**

- How long have you known the applicant? In what capacity?
- What leadership experience and/or qualities does the applicant process?
- Based on our mission for YLGW, why would you recommend this student for YLGW?
- Is there any other information you would like to share about the applicant?



# Youth Leadership Greater Washington 2015 **Commitment & Consent Form**

Full participation by each participant is essential for this program to meet its objectives.

#### **APPLICANT COMMITMENT**

I am aware of the time commitment (one day a month from January to June from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm) and if selected, I will make a reasonable effort to attend all Youth Leadership Greater Washington sessions. Any absence exceeding two days may result in my dismissal of the program.

Applicant Signature Date

#### PARENT/GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This section must be completed and signed by your parent/guardian.

This candidate has my full support to participate in Youth Leadership Greater Washington. I am aware of the time commitment (one day a month from January to June from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm) and understand that the participant must make a reasonable effort to attend all Youth Leadership Greater Washington sessions. . I understand that due to the delicate nature of this program the sessions are only for students and I cannot participate or attend.

Parent/Guardian	Date	
Parent/Guardian	Date	

#### **ACADEMIC AUTHORIZATION & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

This section must be completed and signed by your principal.

This candidate has my full support to participate in Youth Leadership Greater Washington. I am aware of the time commitment (one day a month from January to June from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm) and understand that the participant must make a reasonable effort to attend all Youth Leadership Greater Washington sessions.

Principal	Date	
Email		

This signed form can be scanned and delivered via email to Administrative Assistant Kate Fiorianti at kfiorianti@lgwdc.org or mailed to:

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