



Youth Leadership Douglas Mentor Program Application



DEADLINE: Applications must be **RECEIVED by Friday, May 5, 2017.**
NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DEADLINE.

I. BASIC INFORMATION

Name: _____
First Last Name Called

Which high school will you attend in 2017-18? _____ I Completed the YLD _____ Session
(Summer, Spring, or Fall)

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Student Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

(Student must have a personal email address, if you do not, please create one. All YLD Mentor Program correspondence is through email).

School/Extracurricular Activities:

II. PRESENT COLLEGE/CAREER INTEREST

Which of the following categories best describes your future career interest (choose ONLY one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Sales/Retail | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion | <input type="checkbox"/> Business |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Service |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Media | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Trade | <input type="checkbox"/> STEM | <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify _____) | | | | |

Why are you interested in this career? What do you hope to do?

Please list your top three higher education choices:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

III. MENTOR MATCH

Who or what type of person would be an ideal mentor match for you? (use additional space if needed)

Please check any of the following you would like considered when being matched with a mentor:

Career Interest Technical Skills Educational Counseling (preparing for college)

Personality Life Skills Other (please specify) _____

Is there anything else you would like to share with the matching committee to be used during the matching process?

IV. ESSAY QUESTIONS – please complete (maximum one page per essay) on a separate document.

1. Why did you apply for the YLD Mentor Program?
2. What did you learn in YLD last year?
3. What are your expectations for the Youth Leadership Douglas Mentor Program? What do you expect to gain?
4. What are your goals for your senior year? What are your goals for your college career?

V. TUITION FEE

A \$100 tuition fee is required to cover materials, program expenses and is **due at Orientation on July 27, 2017**. Applicants who would like to be considered for financial assistance should contact the Coordinator of the Program, at the Douglas County Chamber, to request an application. Your request for consideration will be held in utmost confidence, and will in no way affect the selection process.

VI. TIME COMMITMENT

1. Attendance at all programs (four group meetings and six independent meetings with your mentor) is mandatory. Participants not complying with the attendance requirements will be dropped from the program and no refund will be given. If selected, I am willing to make a commitment of my time.
2. Applicants must have the support of their parent or guardian. The signature of parent or legal guardian is necessary as an indication of support of the applicant’s participation in the Youth Leadership Douglas Mentor Program.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

DEADLINE: Applications must be RECEIVED by Friday, May 5, at 5 pm via:

EMAIL: ray@douglascountygeorgia.com

MAIL: ATTN: Sara Ray
Douglas County Chamber
6658 Church Street
Douglasville, GA 30134

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Application Checklist:

- ✓ Executive Mentorship Program Application
- ✓ Completed Essay Questions

Douglas County Chamber Youth Leadership Douglas Mentor Program

Youth Leadership Douglas is a leadership training program grounded in community awareness, community service and in developing your personal potential to lead.

About the Youth Leadership Douglas Mentor Program

Leadership is more than just raw talent and determination. While a portion of great leadership is aptitude, a great deal of what it takes to be a leader is skill based and can be learned. Selected YLD Graduates will be paired with a community leader to facilitate conversation, guidance, and motivation during their senior year.

The Youth Leadership Douglas Mentor Program is highly interactive which permits participants to utilize their mentors for personal and professional growth. The Youth Leadership Douglas goals are:

- To provide opportunities for participants to develop an understanding of the meaning and responsibilities of personal, organizational and community leadership.
- To produce ethical leaders committed to active community involvement.

Program Description & Requirements

Current seniors from any Douglas County high school (both public and private) who have completed the YLD Mentor Program during their junior year are eligible to apply. The Youth Leadership Douglas Mentor Program will take place during the student's senior year.

The Youth Leadership Douglas Mentor Program will adhere to the following meeting schedule:

The YLD Mentor Program is a four-month commitment. Mandatory meeting dates include:

- **Orientation/Kick-Off** – July 25, 2017 from 4-5 p.m.
- **Mid-Program meeting** – October 24, 2017 from 4-5 p.m.
- **End of Program meeting** – December 12, 2017 from 4-5 p.m.
- **Recognition Ceremony** – January 25, 2018 from 5-6 p.m.

During the four-month period, mentors and mentees are requested to:

- Follow the guidelines set in the YLD Mentor Program Handbook
- Meet at least three times outside of the three scheduled Mentorship events
- Complete book study activities and other assignments
- Attend Chamber business and networking events together as schedules permit

Expectations

- 100 % Attendance is mandatory.
If a student cannot commit to attending ALL the meetings, application is not encouraged.
- YLD Mentor Program participants must coordinate transportation to and from YLD Mentor Program classes.
- All program communication is done electronically. Each student is required to set up an email account and join the Remind text messaging program in order to maintain correspondence with the group.
- Communication regarding the program must be done through the student, not the parent/guardian of the student.

Program Fee

The fee to participate in the program is \$100, which includes all class expenses. Partial scholarships are available with a written request for funding detailing reasons for financial assistance.