

## 2021/22 Future Leader Weekend Academy

The YWCA Future Leader Program is accepting applications for the Future Leader Weekend Academy, a two-day scholarship program  
Session dates: September 25<sup>th</sup> / 8am-3pm AND October 2<sup>nd</sup> / 8am-3pm

*The 2021/22 Future Leader One recipient will receive a \$1,500 scholarship*

- One Runner-Up will receive a \$1000 scholarship
- Two Runners-Up will receive a \$500 scholarship

### Future Leader Weekend Academy Participants:

- Must be a female student
- Must graduate high school in 2022
- Must have a GPA of at least 2.70
- Report card or Transcript
- Must complete the two-day *weekend* Future Leader Academy to be considered for the Future Leader scholarship awarded in December 2021.

**Application Deadline: 9/22/2021**

To complete application [click this link](#) and return application to [flp@ywcastlmo.org](mailto:flp@ywcastlmo.org) or fax (314) 531-5008

### *Future Leader Weekend Academy participants....*

- BUILD** leadership skills
- CONNECT** with other empowering girls
- NETWORK** with local female leaders
- DEVELOP** personal financial literacy goals
- DEFINE** their voice and their journey
- LEARN** the value of academic success

YWCA Metro St. Louis

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St. Louis, MO 63132  
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## Future Leader *Weekend* Leadership Academy

### September 25<sup>th</sup> (8am-3pm) AND October 2<sup>nd</sup> (8am-3pm) 2021

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW:** *The YWCA Metro St. Louis is an organization committed to the mission of eliminating racism and empowering women. The Future Leader Program is dedicated to empowering young women, acknowledging their leadership skills and providing opportunities for them to strengthen their leadership capacity. Through the Future Leaders Program, we want to be a catalyst in building the next generation of leaders. The Summer Leadership Academy is a component of the Future Leader Scholarship Program. Young ladies who are emerging seniors (juniors at the time of applying) must participate in the leadership academy to be considered for Future Leader scholarships awarded in December.*

**Selection Process:**

- Female students who are currently 11<sup>th</sup> grade, (will be 12<sup>th</sup> grade in Fall 2021).
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale. Transcript must be current and reflect GPA
- Applicants must be able to show proven leadership potential, community service, and extra-curricular involvement.
- Program participants receive points for their participation and application information (community involvement, etc.) and will be considered for a Future Leader scholarship.

**Application Process:**

The application must include:

- All completed components of the application.
- Essay (300 words), responding to the essay statement.
- Include information from the following:  
Church and/or Community service involvement  
Extra Curricular or community service school involvement
- **Copy of current school transcript showing GPA, current grade (i.e. 12<sup>th</sup> grade) to be submitted by September 22, 2021.**

**PROGRAM DATES:** September 25 & October 2, 2021

**PROGRAM LOCATION:** This year we will have a virtual Zoom program. Specifics to be shared upon acceptance into program.

Send applications to: YWCA  
1155 Olivette Executive Parkway  
St. Louis, MO 63132  
FAX – 314 531-5008  
Email – flp@ywcastlmo.org

**PROGRAM HOURS:** 8:00am – 3:00pm, 9/25 & 10/2

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2021

**Questions: 314 531-1115, ext. 5331**

#### PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

NAME: Last First Middle Initial

Age Birth Date (month/day/year) Grade 2020-2021

ADDRESS: Street/P.O. Box

City State Zip Code

PHONE NUMBER (With area code) Home Phone Cell Phone

EMAIL

#### PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

NAME (Parent/Guardian 1): Last First Relationship to Applicant

ADDRESS: Street/P.O. Box

City State Zip Code Country

HOME PHONE (With area code) CELL PHONE EMAIL

NAME (Parent/Guardian 2): Last First Relationship to Applicant

ADDRESS: Street/P.O. Box

City State Zip Code Country

HOME PHONE (With area code) CELL PHONE EMAIL

#### SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL NAME:

SCHOOL ADDRESS: Street/P.O. Box

City State Zip Code

Grade (2020/21) \_\_\_\_\_ **Note: Must be 12<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2020/21 school year.**

# YWCA Future Leader Leadership Academy

## Virtual Internet Guidelines and Expectations

The 2021, Future Leader Program will be a virtual program conducted via Zoom classes. To participate, it is necessary that the participant have access to technology (computer or tablet, wifi/internet access.) The program will require two seven-hour sessions per day.

Please indicate your technology resources: (check all that apply)

Laptop/desktop computer \_\_\_\_

Tablet \_\_\_\_

Home Wifi/Internet \_\_\_\_

I have access to technology in my home \_\_\_\_

I do not have access of technology \_\_\_\_

Please sign and return with the application.

Parent/Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

We are excited about this new venture and look forward to your participation.

## YWCA YW-Teens Programs Participant Rights and Responsibilities

As a Participant, you have the **right** to:

- Receive services in a non-discriminatory manner.
- Consistent enforcement of program rules and expectations.
- Express and practice religious and spiritual beliefs freely.
- Be treated with courtesy and respect at all times.
- Request to review your file.
- Refuse any service and be informed about the consequence of such refusal, which can include discharge.
- Receive information regarding program fees prior to service.
- Contact program staff with any questions or concerns.

As a Participant you have the **responsibility** to:

- Provide relevant information as a basis for receiving services and participating in service decisions.
- Treat others (peer, staff, and volunteers) with courtesy and respect at all times.
- Participate in scheduled program classes/sessions.
- Communicate to program staff if you are unable to attend.
- Participate in program discussions, etc.
- Complete assignments; individual and group.

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Client Signature

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Date

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Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

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Date

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YWCA Program Staff Signature

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Date

## YWCA Prevention and Education - Informed Consent

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby apply for and give consent to receive services provided by the staff/volunteers of the YWCA St. Louis YW-Teens Program. I understand that the focus in YW-Teens Programs is to provide educational, supportive, and preventive services to improve emotional well-being, promote self-sufficiency, personal growth, and development. I agree to the following conditions:

1. **Voluntary Participation/Discontinuation of Services:** My participation in services is voluntary and I can stop at any time without penalty. You will be expected to participate in services to the best of your ability. You may refuse to participate in any activity or discussion without penalty. If the program staff decides to terminate services, an explanation will be given. The first few classes/sessions may be used to determine whether the YWCA is the most appropriate program for the client to receive services. In some cases, program staff may recommend that another agency or provider may better suit the clients' needs.
2. **Program Outcomes:** Program staff cannot guarantee results. Progress during classes/sessions is related to client efforts, such as consistency of attendance, motivation for learning and attention to information, lessons, and recommendations focused on reaching desired program goals.
3. **Confidentiality:** Information shared in classes/sessions between the client and program staff is confidential and will not be discussed by program staff with anyone without your written consent except under the following situations:
  - If I tell program staff that I intend to harm or kill myself or anyone else, the staff has a duty to report to the authorities and warn any person or persons that I said I plan to harm.
  - If you disclose abuse/neglect, program staff are by law required to report the abuse to the proper authorities. Persons working with vulnerable populations such as children and youth are mandated by Missouri State Statute to report all forms of suspected abuse or imminent danger of harm to self or others.
  - Your situation may be discussed with other professional staff or with the supervisor of the program staff. Consultation is considered a benefit to you and program staff to get the opinion of other professionals to ensure quality of care and services. Supervisors and other professionals are bound by ethics codes and rules of confidentiality.
  - If the program staff is under court order to disclose information.
  - If you sign a release of information form for another party to receive information.
  - Periodically, files may be reviewed by an external entity performing audits on our services. These reviewers are obligated to respect confidentiality procedures on any participant data they review.
4. **Fees:** All YW-Teens Programs (Girls Circle, Future Leaders and Emerging Entrepreneurs) are provided at no charge to clients.
5. **Dismissal:** Any client who, after attempts have been made to meet the client's individual needs, demonstrates the inability to benefit from the provision of services, or whose presence is detrimental to self, others and staff, may be dismissed from the YW-Teens Program.
6. **Grievance Policy:** Questions or concerns that I or my parent/guardian have about services should be discussed with program staff. If after discussing the concerns or issues with program staff you still are not satisfied, you may submit a complaint to Eulonda Nevels @ [enevels@ywcastmo.org](mailto:enevels@ywcastmo.org) or YWCA Metro St. Louis, Attn: Eulonda Nevels, 1155 Olivette Executive Parkway, St. Louis, MO 63132.
7. **HIPAA:** The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability ACT (HIPAA) is a federal law on health information privacy protections, effective 4/14/03. HIPAA provides additional privacy protections for medical records and establishes patient rights with regard to the use and disclosure of your protected health information. HIPAA requires that we provide you with a notice of privacy practices. Written copies will be given at your request. The law requires that we obtain signatures acknowledging that the YWCA has provided you with this information. Your signature below acknowledges that you have reviewed our policy and have had the opportunity to receive a written copy.

I have read and understand the above conditions of services at the YWCA St. Louis YW-Teens Program. I do voluntarily consent to participate in the provision of services under the conditions explained on this form.

Client Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Future Leader Program Application School and Community Service Activities

The following items must be completed in order for the application to be considered as complete. All information will be kept confidential. Please type information. You may use a separate sheet if needed. Please list any leadership positions for each category.

### Community Service (please see definition of community service on front sheet)

Community Organization	Dates of service (from-to)	Service provided/leadership/number of hours (brief description)	Organization leader/supervisor of the service you provided

### Extracurricular Activities

Activity	Dates of participation	Please give brief description of activity/leadership	Activity supervisor

### Awards/Recognitions

Name of award, honor, recognition	Year received	Reason for receiving	Award given by (school, church, community, etc.)

### Hobbies, special talents and interest Please list your special interests, hobbies and/or talents

Hobbies, talents, etc.	Please briefly describe how you became interested in this hobby, talent, or interest

**ESSAY Prompt**

**On a separate sheet, in no less than 300 words, respond to the essay statement:** *We have seen in the past several years, students organizing to address and bring attention to issues that they feel affect their lives as teens. Tell about a social issue or concern in your school or community that you have observed, experienced or have knowledge of that has not been addressed and how you would address the issue. If you had to organize a team, who would be on that team? Think in terms of your leadership skills and how you (and your team) can make a difference and become transformative leaders. Please include a list of resources and community people/orgs that you feel should be a part of this effort. List changes, if any, that you feel would be necessary for this project to be transformative or make a difference. This must be an issue that you feel impacts youth (14-19).*