



## Application Cover Sheet

The purpose of the Teen Leadership Experience is to expose students to the many services, resources, organizations and businesses that make Fayetteville and the Northwest Arkansas area unique. Each month the group will attend presentations, tour facilities and interact with representatives from businesses, non-profit organizations, educational institutions and public offices. While we strive to provide an engaging experience by including as many hands-on, experiential activities as possible, this is not always an option. In order to get the most out of the program, students should be prepared to listen, ask questions and learn about the ways that they may become involved in their community both now and in the future.

Please type or neatly write your responses (responses to the questions on page 3 must be typed). After completing this Cover Sheet (front & back), and attached questions, return it promptly to your counselor or mail to the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce ATTN: Jennifer Irwin – P.O. Box 4216 Fayetteville, AR 72702. **APPLICATIONS DUE BY May 16, 2016.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Student T-shirt Size (in a Men's cut): Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_\_ X-Large \_\_\_\_\_ 2XL \_\_\_\_\_

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Parents'/Guardians' Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parents'/Guardians' E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents'/Guardians' Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Teen Leadership will meet on the following days: September 6, 2016, October 4, 2016, November 1, 2016, December 6, 2016, \*\* January 10, 2017 (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday), February 7, 2017, March 7, 2017, April 4, 2017.

**FAMILY COMMITMENT:** This application must be approved by your parent/guardian. Their signature signifies that they fully recommend your inclusion in the program and support the time you will have to spend in activities associated with The Teen Leadership “X”perience. Your parent/guardian also gives permission to the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, the Fayetteville School District, Haas Hall Academy or any entities acting upon their behalf, to use your name and likeness in any and all publicity about The Teen Leadership “X”perience.

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT’S AGREEMENT:** I promise that all information provided within this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I also agree to the list of commitments required by each participant.

Applicant’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL COMMITMENT:** This application cover sheet must be approved by your counselor, any extracurricular teacher, sponsor or coach and one former core subject teacher. Their signature signifies that they fully recommend your inclusion in the program and support the time you will have to spend in The Fayetteville Teen Leadership “X”perience activities, away from their designated areas.

Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Core Subject Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor/Coach \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PARTICIPANT COMMITMENT:** The Teen Leadership “X”perience program is designed to be a learning experience and requires the following commitments on the part of the applicant.

1. If selected, I understand that attendance at all eight (8) sessions and graduation is required.
2. If selected, I understand that sessions begin at 8:00 a.m. sharp and will end by 4:00 p.m.
3. If selected, I understand that there will be certain rules of conduct to follow. If I am caught acting in an inappropriate way, I understand that the program sponsors may contact my school and my parents/guardians to report my conduct. If I am a consistent disruption to the program because of my behavior, I understand that I may be asked to leave the program.
4. If selected, I understand that I will be asked to follow a dress code during the sessions.
5. If selected, I will not use contents from the sessions or statements made therein for the purpose of news coverage.
6. If selected, I will not use the name of the Teen Leadership “X”perience in a political campaign to imply my endorsement by the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, participating school districts, or program sponsors.
7. I verify that I am currently a sophomore in high school at either Fayetteville High School or Haas Hall Academy.
8. The cost to each participant of the program is \$65.00. Participants may ask local businesses or individuals to sponsor them, or they may provide the fee themselves.

How did you hear about the program? \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

**A RECOMMENDATION LETTER IS REQUIRED.** RECOMMENDATION LETTERS MUST BE SUBMITTED FROM SOMEONE OTHER THAN A FAMILY MEMBER. YOU MAY RETURN RECOMMENDATION LETTERS WITH THIS APPLICATION OR THEY CAN BE MAILED TO THE FAYETTEVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (ATTN: Jennifer Irwin) OR E-MAILED TO [jirwin@fayettevillear.com](mailto:jirwin@fayettevillear.com).

## ***THE TEEN LEADERSHIP “X”PERIENCE***

Please keep your answers brief...no more than 200 words per answer. All answers to the essay questions below must be typed.

1. Each Teen Leadership Session has a theme (social services, business & industry, healthcare, government & law, media and quality of life). Choose one theme and tell us what types of activities/speakers you would include and why.
2. Who is a leader that you admire and why? What leadership qualities do you feel you have in common with this person?
3. Tell about one out-of-school activity you participate in and why is it important to you?
4. What are your future career goals? Why do you want to enter this career path and how do you plan to achieve your goals? If you do not have a specific idea of the career you would like to pursue, what are some of the major characteristics that your future career must have (i.e. helping others, working with animals, educating people, creating new ideas, etc.)? Why are these characteristics important to you and how do you plan to discover your career path?
5. What do you look to gain as being a participant of the Leadership Experience program and how do you plan to give back to your community?
6. What three individual words would you use to best describe yourself? (Please just include the three words)
7. Describe some personal goals that you would like to accomplish in your life.