



YOUTH LEADERSHIP HENDRY & GLADES COUNTIES

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WHO WE ARE

The Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Program is a Bi-County program designed to give tomorrow's leaders a head start. The program focuses on empowering students to become effective leaders with hands-on and interactive sessions, showcasing Hendry & Glades Counties and encourage students to become ambassadors with the added goal of creating a stronger voice for the emerging workforce and leaders of our counties.

WHAT WE DO

A combination of 5 sophomore and/or junior students are selected by the principals from four different high schools in Hendry and Glades Counties. Those 20 students are exposed to some of the extraordinary local businesses and assets of our communities, as well as the challenges they face. But most importantly inspiring them to give back, better themselves and develop ethical leadership traits.

SIGN UP TODAY

The Youth Leadership Hendry and Glades program includes seven full-day sessions. Each session is designed to give participants a first-hand experience in different aspects of both counties. The program begins with teambuilding exercises and then focuses on a particular topic for each class session after. Topics include business development, local government, community service, agriculture, history and culture, water and the environment.

Students may apply through their career/guidance counselor at their local high school.



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Applicant Name: _____

School: _____

COMMITMENT: Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties requires a commitment from the Applicant, the Applicant's Parents/Guardians and the Applicant's School for this experience to be meaningful, educational, and successful. Please read the requirements below and then sign to acknowledge your commitment to Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties.

CODE OF CONDUCT:

Each member of Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties agrees to:

- Demonstrate being a leader by thinking, behaving and acting like a leader.
- Maintain high standards of conduct and encourage other members to do the same.
- Take the initiative to keep a positive attitude.
- Be a role model for their peers always.
- Follow all laws, rules, regulations and the Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties Code of Conduct.
- Cell phones will be turned off and may **only** be used during breaks.
- Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties will provide name tags which **must be worn** for each session.
- Dress code will be provided on the agenda for each session, **NO GYM SHORTS/GYM CLOTHES OR T-SHIRTS** may be worn unless instructed otherwise on the agenda.
- Not possess any drugs, tobacco, or alcohol.
- Demonstrate respectful language and behavior.

To graduate from Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties, a participant is expected to attend six (6) sessions plus Graduation, tentative session dates are listed below. An agenda will be sent to the emails provided on this application one week prior to the session date.

In addition, each Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties participant is expected to complete at least 12 hours of community service through the Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties program during the year.

Students will be picked up at their high school office on each session day. 4-H will be providing the transportation for the class and requires an enrollment form to be signed by each student before acceptance into the program.

Participants in the Hendry and Glades Counties Youth Leadership Program may be asked to share what they learn with fellow students through special programs in organizations in which they are affiliated and in their school.

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Applicant Name: _____

School: _____

Mission: To develop and inspire young leaders through collaboration among local businesses, progressive and driven students, and the community; providing mentoring opportunities and real-life experience for the collective benefit of the student and the community.

Application Deadline is September 12, 2019
Turn in your application to the YLHG Representative at your school

ALL INFORMATION ON APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED

1. STUDENT INFORMATION:

Name (first, middle initial, last): _____

Name or Nickname Preferred: _____

Gender: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Home Mailing Address (street #, apartment #, city, state, zip code): _____

Length of Residence in Hendry/Glades Area: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email (required): _____

School: _____

Student
Photo

2. EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name(s) (first, middle initial, last): _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email (required): _____



Applicant Name: _____

School: _____

3. COMMUNITY/SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT: (Use separate sheet for extra space if needed)

A. List any extracurricular activities, leadership positions held, special honors and awards received (middle/high school only).

B. Describe any community, civic, religious, political, government, social, athletic, work or other activities that you are involved in.

C. List at least two (2) special interests or hobbies.

D. Please circle the option(s) that apply to you:

- I am an established leader
- I have a lot to learn about leadership
- I haven't held any leadership positions yet but I would like to
- I would like to learn more about leadership
- I would like to learn more about my community

E. Please list post high school plans. (Example: college/technical school, major/certification, type of work)

F. In your own words, define what leadership.

G. Personal Statement: Briefly describe an accomplishment of which you are most proud.

H. Name an expectation that you would like to get out of the Youth Hendry & Glades Counties program.



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School: _____

APPLICANT COMMITMENT

I understand the requirements of the Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties program. I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete the program, which includes upholding high standards for the Youth Leadership Hendry & Glades Counties program as outlined in the **Code of Conduct**.

I understand that attendance is **mandatory**. I acknowledge that if I miss **two program day sessions**, I may be asked to withdraw from the program. I also acknowledge there will be a **mandatory** project that I must complete prior to graduation. I understand the above commitments and agree to be bound by them in signing this application.

I also understand there will be a mandatory essay/project due on or before March 12, 2020.

Applicant Signature

Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN COMMITMENT

This application has the approval of this parent/guardian and the applicant has my full support, which includes the time required to participate in the program. **We have reviewed the schedule of events for the program year and do not have any conflicts.**

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Printed Name

SCHOOL COMMITMENT

This application has the approval of this school and the applicant has my full support, which includes the time required to participate in the program. We have reviewed the schedule of events for the program year and do not have any conflicts.

School Principal Printed Name

School Principal Signature

Date



Applicant Name: _____

School: _____

YOUTH LEADERSHIP HENDRY AND GLADES COUNTIES WAIVER

In consideration for participating in Youth Leadership Hendry and Glades Counties I, the undersigned will indemnify, defend and hold harmless, jointly and severally, the Youth Leadership Hendry and Glades Counties Program as well as Hendry County Economic Development Council, Inc., its agents, employees, officers, servants, instructors, volunteers and any and all other associates, from and against any and all actions, in law or in equity, from liability claims for damages, demands, or judgments to any person or property which may result now or in the future from the conduct of this event/activity. I understand that this waiver includes any claims based on negligence, action or inaction of any of the parties. The undersigned further expressly agrees that the foregoing release, waiver, and indemnify agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of State of Florida, and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

I also acknowledge that photos taken throughout the Program may be posted on LHG and EDC social media and websites, which may include myself, and I waive permission as such.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Printed Name