

South Carolina Youth Leadership Forum Application



Please type or print

Student Information

Name _____ Social Security # _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Race (optional) _____ Gender M / F _____ Birth Date _____

Home Phone _____ Email _____

Grade Level/Age as of December 31, 2007 _____ Expected Graduation Date _____

Parent/Legal Guardian (circle one) _____

School Information

School Name _____

School Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School Phone _____

Disability

Medical Diagnosis _____

Check all that apply:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deaf/Hard of Hearing | <input type="checkbox"/> Traumatic Brain Injury |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I use sign language | <input type="checkbox"/> Emotional Disability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I use assistive listening devices | (please describe) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I use real-time captioning | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blind/Visual Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> Neuromuscular Disability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I read with Braille | <input type="checkbox"/> I use a wheelchair/motorized scooter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I read with large print | <input type="checkbox"/> I use crutches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Orthopedic Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> I use other assistive devices (please describe) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I use a wheelchair | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I cannot walk upstairs | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have difficulty walking long distances | <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Disability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I use a motorized scooter | <input type="checkbox"/> I have trouble reading |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> I have trouble understanding |
| Developmental Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> I use note takers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Autism | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe) _____ | _____ |

Are you receiving services from any of the following agencies?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Rehabilitation Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational Rehabilitation Department |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Continuum of Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DDSN/HASCI | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

In your own words, please describe your disability. This information will assist in assuring that we include delegates with a diversity of disabilities.

Please submit a list of school and community extracurricular activities (clubs, volunteer activities, work experience/interests, etc.). Keep brief.

Personal Statement

Please submit a typed essay of 250 words describing yourself and why you think you will be a good candidate for this forum. What do you hope to gain from this experience? What will you bring to this experience? **(significant emphasis will be placed on this question)**

Please address the following:

Qualifications: Why do you think you are qualified and why do you want to attend?

Positive Influences: Tell us about someone who has provided you with a positive influence and why? (Examples include family members, teachers, counselors, public figures)

Your experience as a person with a disability: Describe at least one important experience you have had as a person with a disability.

Future Plans: Please describe your plans after high school.

References

Two references are required. One reference should be from a person in your high school (teacher, counselor, advisor, principal), and the second reference must be from an individual in your community. These individuals must be at least 21 years of age and not related to you.

Please list the two references below. Two reference forms are provided and should be completed and returned by the adults making the references.

References must be postmarked by March 17, 2008.

Name of Reference _____ Phone _____

Position/Title _____

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Signatures

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

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Applications should be mailed to: **South Carolina Youth Leadership Forum**
1410 Boston Avenue
West Columbia, SC 29170
Attention: Shannon Lindsay

If you have questions please call 803-896-6574 or email slindsay@scvrd.state.sc.us

South Carolina Youth Leadership Forum Reference Form



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Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Email _____

The South Carolina Youth Leadership Forum Selection Committee must receive this form to process your application. The comments will be used for Youth Leadership Forum selection purposes only. One reference should be someone from your high school and one reference should be a community representative. References must be over 21 years of age and not related to the applicant.

Permission: I hereby request that you furnish this reference information to the SC Youth Leadership Forum.

Student or Parent Signature _____

Reference Information

The person named above is an applicant for the SC Youth Leadership Forum. The selection committee uses the reference information in its selection process. The committee appreciates your help with this process.

Name of Reference _____

Position or Title _____

School / Firm / Organization _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

When submitting your reference please include the following information:

How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

What do you consider the applicant's primary talents and strengths?

Describe the applicant's relationship with his/her peers.

Describe the applicant's ability to communicate with others.

Describe the applicant's leadership skills and potential for becoming a community leader.

Signature of Reference _____ Date _____

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