

# SELECTION PROCESS

There will be an application and interview selection process that begins at each local high school. Each school's guidance office or administration may submit up to six (6) applications for consideration.

- Applications can be found at each high school counselor's office or at the Augusta Metro Chamber of Commerce.
- Each application must include two (2) letters of recommendation from non-family members (ex. pastor, doctor, neighbor, coach, etc).
- All completed application packages must be submitted to the school guidance office by August 12th.
- Interviews will be held on August 19th and 20th. The time and location will be included in the notification of selection for interview.

## SELECTION CRITERIA:

All class members shall be selected by the Youth Leadership Advisory Committee. The committee will target individuals:

- With a sincere commitment, motivation, and interest in their community.
- Who seek out opportunities for advancement and leadership in their schools.
- With demonstrated leadership qualities or potential for development of those qualities.

The program will place a priority on academic, geographic, gender, and racial diversity.

For applications or information, go to [www.leadershipaugusta.com](http://www.leadershipaugusta.com) or call (706) 821-2416 and ask for a Leadership Augusta Representative.

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Youth Leadership Augusta (YLA) is a program for juniors and seniors attending high school or residing in the Augusta area. The mission of Youth Leadership Augusta is to expose, educate, and motivate potential young leaders and enable them to take an active role in their community. Through involvement in program days that will provide an assortment of experiences, students will begin to develop and establish a leadership style. The final result will be strong leaders with the self-expectation of building a stronger and more dynamic Augusta area.

## GOALS:

- To identify both emerging and existing youth leaders and assists in developing leadership skills.
- To allow opportunities for interaction with community and business leaders.
- To provide program content that acquaints students with community needs, issues, and resources.
- To teach students the benefits of voluntary involvement in community service projects and engage in making the community a better place to live in.
- To encourage students to take on the responsibility of being school leaders and to strive to make schools better environments for future students.
- To provide a geographically and culturally diverse group of students a forum for establishing mutual trust, respect for others, and friendships.
- To foster and develop teamwork.

*Students selected to the Youth Leadership program will be expected to attend all sessions and complete various homework assignments. The tentative schedule includes eight (8) full weekday sessions beginning in August and ending in early May, two (2) Saturday sessions, and two (2) evening sessions.*

### August

Orientation/Reception

### August

Human Relations/Poverty Simulation

*Learn about diversity and poverty through dynamic, engaging, and professionally led courses.*

### August

Teambuilding/Confidence Course

*Bond with classmates through trust exercises and other low impact activities.*

### September

Community Service Project

*Participate in a hands-on volunteer experience during the renowned Arts in the Heart of Augusta festival.*

### October

Criminal Justice Day

*Learn about the local, state, and federal criminal justice system.*

### November

Healthcare Day

*Gain a better understanding of the complexities of our varied medical institutions and the cooperation that exists among them and the community.*

### December

Arts and Culture Day

*Learn about the cultural and artistic opportunities in Augusta and the surrounding area.*

### January

Economic Development Day

*Visit area businesses/industries and learn about how they affect our local economy.*

### February

History Day

*Learn about the history of Augusta and Richmond County.*

### March

Education Trip

*Learn about the higher education opportunities locally and in our state.*

### April

Community Leadership Day

*Meet and network with local leaders in business, politics, and more.*

### May

Graduation

*Graduation ceremony for our students and their families.*

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