

Community Youth Leadership Program Application

The vision of the Surprise Youth Leadership Program is to provide meaningful experiences for youth regarding leadership, profession, and community engagement. This program is an opportunity for students to apply realistic and relevant knowledge and skills for the process of planning and implementing projects and resolving problems on a community level. Participants will have the opportunity to learn more about their community, develop a broad base of knowledge and understanding on "how things get done," and have the opportunity to apply their skills as a team in the Community Project Competition. The program will run through the Spring Semester and will culminate in a group presentation and awards ceremony in May. Students interested in applying must submit a cover letter, resume and complete this application.

(you may attach additional pages if necessary).

Please turn in this application/permission form to the Community & Recreation Services Department by 5 pm on Wednesday, October 14th 2009.

Questions? Please contact: john.williams@surpriseaz.com

Community Leadership FAQ's

What are the requirements to apply for this opportunity? All applicants must either live in Surprise or attend a Dysart Unified School District High School. All applicants must be a sophomore, junior or senior.

What does the Leadership Program entail? There will be an education component that will consist of 4 Saturdays as well as a team project that will culminate in a presentation and awards in May.

The educational component will meet at the Communiversity @ Surprise on the following dates from 8 am - 1 pm: October 17, October 24, November 7, & November 14

The next phase will consist of a community project. The participants will break into groups and will be guided by Mentors from the community. Participants will job shadow for 8 hours in order to learn more about the company/department they are creating a project for. This phase will be completed in May.



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Community Youth Leadership Program REGISTRATION FORM

Due October 14, 2009

Name _____ School Attending _____ Birth date _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Emergency Contact Information

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Home Phone #: (____) _____ Work: (____) _____ Cell: (____) _____

Emergency Contact Person #1: _____ Phone #: (____) _____

Emergency Contact Person #2: _____ Phone #: (____) _____

Allergies/Health/Special Considerations staff should be aware of?

Emergency Medical Release

I/we the parents/legal guardian give permission for any treatment necessary during the transportation and attendance of this event. I/we authorize any hospital and physician to perform emergency treatment for any injuries.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Waiver

I grant permission for my child, named above, to participate in the Youth Leadership Program in Surprise, Arizona. I hereby release the City of Surprise from all liability, losses, damages to or destruction of property arising out of or in any way connected with my child's participation in the City of Surprise Community and Recreation Services, except when such injury or damages shall have been occasioned by negligent or wrongful acts of omissions the employees or officers of the City of Surprise.

Question 1: Briefly explain why you would like to participate in the Surprise youth Leadership Program?

Question 2: What are the characteristics of great leadership?

Question 3: Why is it so important to be involved in your community?

Question 4: This program will require 4 Saturdays (8 am – 1 pm) as well as job shadowing and team meetings over the next 7 months. Explain your other commitments and how this will work with your schedule.

