



**LEADERSHIP
BROWARD
FOUNDATION, INC.**

YOUTH LEADERSHIP BROWARD CLASS XXXII

**2018-2019 PROGRAM YEAR
INFORMATION PACKET**



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Program Information

About Youth Leadership Broward

Youth Leadership Broward (YLB), a program of Leadership Broward Foundation (LBF), is a nine-month program that provides an opportunity for students to **gain real-life experiences** through interactions with community leaders from businesses, government agencies, and civic organizations; **develop essential leadership skills** such as team building, conflict resolution, time management, public speaking and goal setting; and **impact the community** through an ongoing service project throughout the year. Each year, fifty-five current high school sophomores from across Broward County are selected to participate in this program during their junior year.

Eligibility

Applications are open to all current **sophomores** attending a Broward County public or private high school who meet the following criteria:

- Hold a grade point average of 3.0 or higher
- Demonstrate leadership in their schools and/or community
- Have an interest in enhancing their leadership skills and knowledge of Broward County
- Receive approval by a high school principal and/or guidance counselor

Time Commitment (See Calendar of Dates)

- Attend program orientation, opening retreat, leadership day, and graduation day and evening
- Attend at least four (4) of the six (6) monthly program days which take place on school days from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Participate in a mandatory ongoing community service project outside of YLB and school hours

Student Benefits

- Develop leadership and communication skills
- Get a backstage pass to Broward County
- Receive up to 30 community service hours
- Build resume and college application
- Interact with business and community leaders
- Meet diverse group of peers from different schools

Tuition

The cost of the program is \$800 and covers all program costs including bus transportation and lunch on each of the days. Financial aid is available based on need. A \$20 application fee is due at time of submitting the application which will be put towards the final tuition if accepted into the program. If not accepted the \$20 application fee will be refunded. Final payment must be paid in full by July 6, 2018.

How to Apply

The YLB program application and additional information can be found at <http://www.leadershipbroward.org/ylb-online-application>. Contact Rebecca D'Amico, Director, Leadership Programs, at (954) 767-8866 or apply@leadershipbroward.org with any questions.

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Calendar of Dates

Orientation*

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Opening Retreat*

Friday, August 10, 2018

Saturday, August 11, 2018

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Program Days

All program days are scheduled from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Meeting locations will be different each day within Broward County.

Dates and times are subject to change.

Wednesday, September 12, 2018 - Criminal Justice Day

Wednesday, October 3, 2018 – Community Services Day

Tuesday, November 6, 2018 – Government & Communications Day

Wednesday, December 12, 2018 – Culture, Arts and Education Day

Saturday, January 5, 2019 – Leadership Day

Wednesday, February 13, 2019 – Business and Tourism Day

Friday, March 8, 2019– History and Environment Day

Graduation*

Friday, April 5, 2019

Afternoon - Community Project Presentations

Evening - Commencement Ceremony

***MANDATORY - NO EXCEPTIONS**

Community Projects

All students are required to participate in a monthly community service project with a small group of YLB classmates outside of YLB days and after school hours. Students can earn up to 30 hours of community service throughout the year.

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Application Instructions and Timeline

Application Process

Visit the LBF website at <https://www.leadershipbroward.org/ylb-application/> to access all application materials and complete the following steps:

Step 1: Complete the online application.

Step 2: Download and submit the reference form and school and parent/guardian consent form.

Step 3: Complete financial aid application (if applicable).

All of the following application materials must be completed and submitted to the LBF office by or before Friday, March 30, 2018:

- Online Application
- Reference Form
- School and Parent/Guardian Consent Form
- Financial Aid Application (if applicable)

Materials can be e-mailed, mailed or faxed to the contact below:

Leadership Broward Foundation, Inc.

Attention: Rebecca D'Amico

1640 West Oakland Park Blvd., Suite 400

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

Fax: 954-485-6683

Email: apply@leadershipbroward.org.

Application Timeline

January - March 2018:

There will be information sessions for YLB Class XXXII at individual schools as requested. Please ask your school to contact Rebecca D'Amico at 954-767-8866 or apply@leadershipbroward.org if you would like someone to come and talk to current sophomores about the program.

April 2018:

Applications will be reviewed by the YLB Class XXXII Selection Committee. LBF is committed to cultural and economic diversity and considers all students who have demonstrated leadership skills and talents.

May 4, 2018:

Letters and/or an email will be sent to all applicants notifying them of their acceptance status.

May 23, 2018:

Accepted students must attend a mandatory program orientation.



Testimonial

Youth Leadership Broward Makes a Difference

By Maria Moncaliano, YLB XXVI

I entered Youth Leadership Broward (YLB) as the only student from my school. I did not know any other person in the program.

YLB is more than just a high school program. It is life changing. I am not the same person I was in the beginning of my junior year. All of those once-in-a-lifetime experiences changed me for the better and have prepared me for what is to come. In doing so, the program exposed me to a group of intelligent, hardworking students and adults who were willing to share their experiences. We all learned from each other and have built lasting friendships.



Personally, my most meaningful YLB experience was being in a community project group. Serving as a role model and teaching leadership skills to elementary school students at the YMCA was rewarding. It was a testament to the impact a person could have on someone's life just by listening and showing interest in their well-being.

Every program day was special and every day I changed. I grew into a different person, a person that could take the dedication and passion that has always been a part of me and combine it with a newfound awareness of everything that I could commit that dedication to.

Suddenly, I felt like I could create a fundraiser, start a non-profit, make a speech, and work with people that, initially, I was not aware I could approach. I became cognizant of all of the places in Broward County that had a need and my mind was suddenly geared to fabricate a solution.

YLB gave me the tools I needed to become the leader I aspired to be. I am eternally grateful to the program and am excited to continue to contribute to its success as well as the overall success of the Leadership Broward Foundation.

Class XXVI...Makes a Difference!