



2012 Leadership Conference for High School Students APPLICATION INFORMATION

CONFERENCE DATES AND LOCATION

DATE: March 29 – April 1, 2012
LOCATION: Sacramento, CA
DEADLINE: November 14, 2011

APYLP Selection & Outreach Committee
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Background: The annual Asian Pacific Youth Leadership Project (APYLP) conference provides a select group of 50 Asian and Pacific Islander seniors and juniors from public, private and charter high schools throughout California with a unique opportunity to gain first-hand knowledge of the legislative process, community leadership, and political activism. During the four-day, three-night conference, students will participate in a Mock Legislature at the State Capitol that includes the election of peer legislative leaders, lively debate of current issues through the introduction of legislation, and the lobbying of bills during committee hearings and the Senate floor session. Additionally, small group workshops facilitated by Asian Pacific legislative staff, community activists, and business leaders will assist students in developing their leadership and public speaking skills, enhance their cultural awareness and identity, and explore the richness and diversity of Asian and Pacific Islander communities in California.



Who Should Apply: Although any California junior or senior year high school student may apply, APYLP strongly encourages applications from Asian and Pacific Islander youth who have some leadership experience and especially from students who show leadership potential, but whose participation in programs such as APYLP may have been hindered in the past by economic, geographic, language, or other

factors. The conference program is designed specifically for Asian and Pacific Islander youth to learn more about themselves, issues of importance to their communities, and how to empower their leadership potential through the political process, public service and community service. Participants in past conferences have been representative of the rich cultural, racial, multiracial, linguistic, and socio-economic diversity of Asian and Pacific Islander communities from urban, suburban and rural communities throughout California.

Transportation, Room & Board: There is no cost to students accepted to the high school leadership conference. Through its fundraising efforts and sponsorships, APYLP pays all costs for travel, lodging, meals, and conference materials for all students selected to participate in the conference. The high school program is a supervised activity with volunteer advisors assigned to each student throughout the program.

Instructions for Applicants: The simple four-page application is available in both digital and printable formats. Printable applications can be downloaded at our website and once completed, must be returned by mail only. Digital applications can also be downloaded at our website and must be returned by email only. Applications must be postmarked or emailed no later than November 14, 2011, so don't delay and apply now!

All information and fields on the application must be completed. **Applicants should write thoughtful and informative responses to each question.** The Selection & Outreach Committee will carefully review all applications to select the 50 students and alternates who will be invited to participate in the 2012 high school conference in Sacramento. Student notification will begin on the following date: February 1, 2012.

Asian Pacific Youth Leadership Project

PRINTABLE APPLICATION FOR 2012 CONFERENCE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

March 29 – April 1, 2012 in Sacramento, CA

Application Page 1 of 4: About you

Instructions:

- PRINT THIS FORM, complete questions, and return all four pages of this application by MAIL ONLY.
 - TYPE or PRINT legibly in blue or black ink only.
 - DO NOT STAPLE the application.
 - Provide thoughtful written responses only in the space allowed, and answer all parts of the questions.
 - Additional materials are not allowed and will not be considered.
- This application must be postmarked no later than **November 14, 2011 – NO EXCEPTIONS.**
 - Questions? Visit our website or email us at 2012conference@apylp.org or call us at (916) 508-6030.
 - Apply online at: www.apylp.org

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Name

First _____ M.I. _____ Last _____

Street Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ County _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email address _____

Ethnicit(ies)y/National Origin(s) _____

Country of Birth _____ Generation (in U.S.) _____

Check One

Female _____ Male _____

Check One

Junior _____ Senior _____

High School _____ Teacher/Counselor _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Parent or Guardian #1 _____ Email _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Occupation _____ Highest Education _____

Parent or Guardian #2 _____ Email _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Occupation _____ Highest Education _____

How did you hear about APYLP? _____

Do you use social networking sites? If so, which ones? _____

Have you attended any similar conferences? If so, which ones? _____

Have you applied to this conference previously? _____

Application Page 2 of 4: More about you
Complete all FOUR prompts in the space provided below

I. Explain YOUR definition of a leader.

II. Briefly describe a few of your most important leadership abilities, experiences and potential. Include school, community service, volunteer activities, and other responsibilities. What is important to you and to your community? If you have any paid work experience, include your position(s) held, hours and length of work.

III. What, if any, challenges have you and/or family had to overcome while growing up?

IV. Why do you want to attend APYLP? What do you hope to gain from your participation?

Application Page 3 of 4: About your future

Essay#1: Answer the following question in the space provided below

What do you hope to be doing in five years? In ten? How do you plan to reach these goals, and what will motivate you along the way?

Essay #2: Answer only ONE of the two following questions in the space provided below

Question A: Identify a current or historical person of Asian Pacific Islander ancestry that you consider a leader at the local, state, and/or national level. Why do you think this person is a leader?

OR

Question B: Identify an issue or problem that is important to your community, or in the state of California. Why is it important? What do you believe should be done to address it?