

# Youth Leadership Rolesville Application

## **Mission:**

The purpose of Youth Leadership Rolesville is to conduct an annual training program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership abilities which will develop a group of informed, committed and competent youth motivated to learn more about our community, to assume leadership roles in our schools, and to become more involved in our civic, cultural, economic development, and philanthropic organizations and groups.

**Goals:** The goal of our youth program is that every young leader in Rolesville will be able to:

- Develop leadership skills through a strong curriculum taught by skilled facilitators
- Gain an awareness of the need for community service, civic participation, and philanthropy
- Increase familiarity with areas in the community beyond their immediate neighborhood and school
- Interact with adult leaders in business, non-profits and public sectors
- Acquire a network of adult and youth leaders in the community, which can form an excellent basis for their success in the work and college world

**Qualifications:** All applicants must:

- Attend Rolesville High School
- Be rising sophomores, juniors or seniors
- Have a minimum of a 2.0 (or C) grade point average
- Complete a Youth Leadership Application and interview with a panel
- Provide three references:(2) from school and (1) from a community member. These references may be from any teacher, counselor, principal, or other community member.

**\*\*\*\*Also open to students who don't attend the above schools if they qualify in the following way:**

- **Are homeschooled and have a 27571 home address**
- **Attend another High School but have a 27571 home address**
- **Attend a private school and have a 27571 home address**
- **Attend a charter school but have a 27571 home address**
- **Applicants that qualify based on either of the above criteria and are accepted will have to provide their own transportation to each Leadership Event.**

## **Application Process:**

Participation in Youth Leadership Rolesville is open to all sophomores, juniors and seniors who attend Rolesville High School or qualified based on the above criteria **\*\*\*(IN BOLD)**. Applicants must be in good academic standing and have no attendance or disciplinary problems at their school. The Selection Committee reviews all applications and chooses a diverse class of motivated students who express concern about improving the community and the potential leadership ability to contribute to the betterment of Rolesville. **A maximum class size of 30 students is accepted into the program.**

**Applications will be accepted through September 28, 2017.** All applications may be turned in at the main office at the school or mailed or turned into the Rolesville Chamber of Commerce, 200

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East Young St, Rolesville, NC 27571. Completed applications can be filled out electronically and sent via email to [info@rolesvillechamber.org](mailto:info@rolesvillechamber.org). All references should be signed, sealed and have the name of the applicant and the school they attend on it. References can also be mailed or turned in to the school or Rolesville Chamber of Commerce.

Interview Process: Students will be selected for an interview based on evaluation from the selection panel. The interview dates for all applications will be completed by October 16th. Each student will be advised of the interview dates so they will have time to prepare for the interview . The chosen students will be notified of acceptance in the program by October 30th.

## **Community Involvement:**

Participating in Youth Leadership Rolesville provides an opportunity for students to connect to many civic and volunteer organizations that work to better our neighborhoods, improve the lives of our citizens and much more. These clubs and associations welcome new leaders and fresh ideas. Through Youth Leadership Rolesville, the change in you can spark the change needed throughout the entire community.

Training is hands-on, experiential learning. Each session focuses on professionalism, culture competency and commitment, mentoring, facilitation, and philanthropy. Participants are also given the opportunity to job shadow a leader in the Rolesville community in a field related to their interests for their future career. Sessions include orientation, team building, government, the history of the community, economic development and leadership for the future.

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## STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

\*Please limit answers to the space provided.

### Personal Data:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last

Middle

First

Nickname

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent / Guardian Data:

Name (Mr./Mrs./Ms.) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Father's daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Mother's daytime) \_\_\_\_\_

In Case of Emergency Call (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Data:** be sure to list something under each area

School Activities:

Community Activities:

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Personal Accomplishments:

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Please respond to the following questions by sharing your own ideas and opinions.

1. What do you feel are the three most significant problems facing your community today?
2. What do you feel needs to be done about one of these issues?
3. What do you hope to gain from your participation in Youth Leadership?
4. Please share one of your personal goals. Explain why this goal is important to you as an individual.

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**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING AND SIGN**

I understand the purpose of the Youth Leadership Rolesville program and, if selected, I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete the program. Even though emergencies do arise, I will make every effort possible to attend all sessions. If accepted into the Youth Leadership Rolesville program, I understand that a sponsor through the Rolesville Chamber of Commerce, will be invoiced for costs incurred for the sessions. The sponsorship fee includes meals, speakers, materials, graduation, and administrative fees. This fee is non-refundable. Therefore, the Rolesville Chamber of Commerce expects my full participation.

This is a county approved program and participation in the activities will not count as an absence.

I understand the above commitments and agree to be bound by them in signing this application.

*Applicant's Signature* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date* \_\_\_\_\_

*This applicant has my approval and full support, which includes the time required to participate in the program.*

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_



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## Reference Two

To be completed by Principal, Counselor, or Teacher

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 First MI Last

School \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Do you recommend this student for the Youth Leadership Program? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
2. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?

3. What do you consider to be the applicant's primary talents or strengths?

4. Please describe one situation where you observed the applicant in a leadership role.

5. Please comment on why you think this student is a strong candidate for the program, or reasons why you think he/she may benefit from the program.

6. Please rate your perception of the applicant's skills in the following areas:

	Outstanding (top 5% of students)	Good (top 6-25%)	Average (top 26-50%)	Needs Improvement (less than 50%)
Initiative				
Responsibility				
Leadership				
Maturity				
Ability to work with others				
Concern for others				
Oral communication skills				
Interest in community affairs				
Persistence and drive				

*Please use separate sheet to tell us anything else you would like for us to know about the applicant.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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## Reference Three

To be completed by Community Member

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First MI Last

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