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Teen  
Leadership  
Coppell

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## APPLICATION FORM

To be considered for the Teen Leadership Coppell Program,  
this application and attached references

**MUST BE RETURNED BY:**

**4:00 p.m., Friday, April 9, 2010**

**Return to:**

**COPPELL HIGH SCHOOL**

Attn: Ms. Carol Green (Mr. Hunt's office)

**NEW TECH HIGH @ COPPELL**

Attn: Ms. Teresa Whittle (Ms. Branum's office)

**You must also sign up for interview time slot (10 min.)**

**Interview dates and times are as follows:**

Wednesday, April 21, 2010 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM at CHS

Wednesday, April 21, 2010 2:00 PM – 4:30 PM at CHS

Wednesday, April 21, 2010 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM at CHS

Friday, April 23, 2010 7:30 AM – 11:45 AM at NTH@C

Friday, April 23, 2010 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM at CHS

**Important: You must currently be a sophomore to apply for  
participation in next year's Teen Leadership Coppell Program!**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HIGH SCHOOL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE SUBMITTED:** \_\_\_\_\_

# Teen Leadership Coppell

## Mission Statement:

The mission of Teen Leadership Coppell is to provide leadership training through knowledge and skills, motivation, and collaboration to prepare youth for everyday contributions as current and future citizen leaders.

## CRITERIA FOR CANDIDATES:

1. Must attend Coppell ISD schools or live in Coppell.
2. Must currently be a sophomore student in good academic and citizenship standing and must receive approval from an Assistant Principal/Director.
3. Must demonstrate potential for/interest in leadership in school/community activities.
4. Must be prepared to volunteer for community services.
5. Must be willing to take what is learned back to share at school.
6. Must commit to a **100% participation in all** activities, unless it is an excused school-related activity. Ex: sports tournament; band/choir/Lariettes competition, etc. (club sports are NOT excused)
7. All class members must attend all sessions; however, excused absences for illness, school-related activities or other circumstances beyond the student's control, will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Makeup assignments will be required to meet the intent of the program.

## GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Approximately 100 applications are received each year and only 30-32 students are accepted for participation in the program.
- All parts of the application must be typed.
- **ALL APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING, OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE'S DECISION, IN EARLY JUNE**
- Tuition for the program is \$200.00 and is due upon receipt of acceptance letter. The tuition payment helps to cover the cost of administering the program including the retreat costs, printing, postage and other miscellaneous expenses. TLC facilitators are volunteers, and as such, receive no compensation for their service. \*

*\* Needs-based scholarships may be available upon qualification.*

## PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please type)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname (preferred) \_\_\_\_\_

Currently a sophomore: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Parent(s)/Guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Line \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ **Circle** Preferred Number for TLC contact

**\*Email Address (for TLC communication):** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please make sure your email is legible and we can understand numbers/letters, underscores/underlines)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Do you currently work? \_\_\_\_\_ How many hours do you work per week? \_\_\_\_\_

Would your job provide you with flexibility to participate in some Saturday and evening events required for TLC members? \_\_\_\_\_

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Using a few phrases or adjectives, describe yourself.
2. List three things that concern you the most about your community.
3. Why do you want to participate in Teen Leadership Coppel?
4. What specific goals are you committed to attaining in your senior year, based on the skills you acquire from participation in Teen Leadership Coppel?

## RECOGNITION

List up to three special awards, honors or recognitions for academic, school, or community related activities you have received within the last 3 years.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

## SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS, ACTIVITIES

List in order of importance to **you**, up to three **specific** special activities in which you have participated, during the past 3 years. (ex.: clubs, athletics, band, choir etc.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

## NON SCHOOL-RELATED

List in order of importance to **you**, up to three **specific** special activities that you currently participate in that are **NOT** school-related. (ex.: Club sports, church leadership roles, community volunteer, etc.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

## Essay

Type your response to the following question (in 250 words or less):

**“If you could make a difference in your community, what would it be and how would you do it?”**

## IDEAS FOR SERVICE PROJECTS

Each year the Teen Leadership Coppell participants select a community service project to complete as a group. Please list some community service projects that you would like this group to consider and **why**.

## REFERENCES

There are 2 reference forms included in this application. Please give one reference form to your high school principal/director, counselor or teacher/facilitator. Give the other reference form to any adult who knows you well, **other than a school administrator or relative**. The reference forms need to be mailed separately and directly to the address provided on the reference form.

**They must also be received by 4:00 p.m. Friday, April 9, 2010.**

## TEEN LEADERSHIP COPPELL REFERENCE FORM

(Please type or print)

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

The person named above is an applicant for Teen Leadership Coppell. The Selection Committee attaches considerable weight to the statements made by the references of the applicant. The Committee is aware of the time necessary to prepare such an assessment and gratefully acknowledges your help.

Name of reference \_\_\_\_\_ Position/Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ School/Firm/Organization \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. What do you consider the applicant's main talents or strengths? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. What do you consider the applicant's greatest development opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Comment on the applicant's relationships with his or her peers. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Is there anything else you would like to tell us about the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. On a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 meaning exceptional and 1 meaning poor, please compare the applicant with other high school sophomores you have known. *Please fill in all categories.*

Character \_\_\_\_\_ Concern for others \_\_\_\_\_ Responsibility \_\_\_\_\_ Initiative \_\_\_\_\_

Eagerness to learn \_\_\_\_\_ Maturity \_\_\_\_\_ Time management skills \_\_\_\_\_

Ability to work with others \_\_\_\_\_ Problem-solving ability \_\_\_\_\_ Perseverance \_\_\_\_\_

Communication skills \_\_\_\_\_ Adaptability \_\_\_\_\_ Enthusiasm \_\_\_\_\_ Behavior \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of reference \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to either:

### **Coppell High School**

Attn: Ms. Carol Green (Mr. Hunt's office)

[carolgreen@coppellisd.com](mailto:carolgreen@coppellisd.com)

185 W. Parkway Blvd.

Coppell, TX 75019

Fax: 214-496-6166

### **New Tech High @ Coppell**

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[twhittle@coppellisd.com](mailto:twhittle@coppellisd.com)

113 Samuel Blvd.

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If you have questions, call Beccy Ratliff at (972) 304-8014. In order for the applicant to be considered for acceptance into the program, this form **must be received by 4:00 p.m., Friday, April 9, 2010.** Please use **blue or black ink**, as copies in other ink color are hard to read.

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# PARENT/GUARDIAN & STUDENT APPROVAL

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

For and in consideration of participation in the Teen Leadership Coppell Program, the undersigned student and parent or legal guardian for and on behalf of the above named student, his or her heirs, executors, and assigns, does hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Coppell, Coppell Chamber of Commerce, Coppell ISD, Teen Leadership Coppell Committee, their agents, officers and employees from any and all claims, damages, personal injury, including death and property damages resulting directly or indirectly from the Teen Leadership Coppell Program, including the planning, organization and presentation of the program, as well as transportation to and from all program activities. The undersigned parent or legal guardian consents to the City of Coppell, Coppell Chamber of Commerce Coppell ISD and the Teen Leadership Coppell Committee, its agents, officers and employees to transport or provide transportation whether by public bus service, private or commercial automobile or other appropriate vehicle for the above named student to and from any program activities. All still and video photography becomes the property of Teen Leadership Coppell.

The undersigned parent or legal guardian and student understands that the above named student is committed to and required to attend all program sessions conducted during school hours; is committed to and required to attend the mandatory Retreat Kick-Off on Saturday, September 18, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. to Sunday, September 19, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., in its entirety, which includes a lock-in at The Coppell Aquatic Center and travel time to and from Stoney Ranch; is committed to and required to attend the weekend planning sessions for the Holiday Parade and the actual parade, unless required to participate as a member of another school group, (band, cheerleaders, Lariettes, etc.); is committed to and required to attend the Friday evening TLC holiday party; is committed to and required to attend any weekend and evening planning sessions required for the community service project and to work on the actual project, Program sessions and retreats, along with the above-mentioned events are required to graduate from this program. Any absences, other than a school-related activity, such as State UIL competition; school athletic game/match, etc., must be made up, as determined by the facilitators (the make-up time to exceed time missed). Unexcused absences or failure to make up other absences, as determined by the facilitators, will result in not being able to graduate from this program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of student Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of parent or legal guardian Date

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## 2010-2011 SCHEDULE

**Session 1: Orientation & Team Work Challenge-Saturday, Sept. 18 , 7:00 p.m. – Sunday, Sept. 19, 7:00 p.m.**

*Welcome and overview of the program for both parents and students (7-8 Saturday) Develop team building knowledge and skills by participation in various activities including a high ropes course.*

**Session 2: Career Options & Social Services-Wednesday, October 6, 2010**

*Explore career options, including careers in service organizations, through a personality survey. Investigate volunteer opportunities and ways to become involved in service organizations.*

**Session 3: Personal Growth-Wednesday, November 17, 2010**

*Discover effective leadership styles and develop a personal plan for a healthy lifestyle.*

**Session 5: Coppell After Dark-Friday, December 10, 2010**

*Experience something different with your fellow leaders after the sun goes down.*

**Session 6: More Alike Than Different-Wednesday, January 19, 2011**

*Discover the similarities and differences of people. Explore fine arts and how to incorporate them into your life as a leader.*

**Session 7: Business of Today and Tomorrow-Wednesday, February 9, 2011**

*Explore business opportunities and see how some local business run.*

**Session 8: My Impact on Others-Wednesday, March 9, 2011**

*Develop an awareness of political and judicial processes of our government, including a city council simulation.*

**Session 9: Service Project**

*Student selected service project using the skills learned through previous sessions.*

**Session 10: Lead On! Wednesday, April 20, 2011 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

*Program Graduation*

The Mandatory Community Service Project will be held on 1 or 2 Saturdays in the February/March timeframe. The actual dates and times will be determined both by the project selected and the weather. Dates for planning the community service project will be scheduled as needed. Dates for building the Holiday parade float will be either Saturday of the weekend before Thanksgiving week or Sunday of the weekend after Thanksgiving. This is to accommodate everyone's travel plans and work schedules.

**Other Scheduled TLC Activities:**

- Nov. 20 and Nov. 28 - Build holiday parade float (**must** work 1 of 2 dates shown)
- December 4, 2010 - City of Coppell Holiday Parade (late afternoon and evening)
- December 10, 2010 - Holiday Party and Night Out - 6:00 P.M until 11:00 A.M

## **Teen Leadership Coppell Principal Recommendation**

This form needs to be filled out by Ms. Gina Peddy or Ms. Tabitha Branum. Please see them early and have them complete it. You will leave the form with her and she will get it to the facilitators.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Attendance:**

5            4            3            2            1

### **Behavior:**

5            4            3            2            1

### **Leadership Visibility and Capability:**

5            4            3            2            1

### **Involvement with high school activities and events: (not only as a participant, but also as an observer and fan)**

5            4            3            2            1

### **General Attitude:**

5            4            3            2            1

### **Overall impression as a leader and role model at CHS or NTH@C:**

5            4            3            2            1

Director or Asst. Principal: \_\_\_\_\_