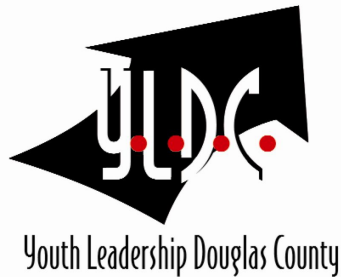


# Youth Leadership Douglas County

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### **Welcome to Youth Leadership Douglas County!**

Youth Leadership Douglas County (YLDC) began as the brainchild of the 2005 Leadership Douglas County adult class; as its service project, these community leaders set the course for what is now a progressive leadership development program. YLDC is a one year program for high school students that focuses on knowledge acquisition around leadership skill development. The classes meet once a month during the school year for experimental leadership training. The organizers of YLDC strongly believe that no one person can lead alone. Therefore, we start the year out at a Challenge Ropes Course where we teach students about working together to establish a foundation of teamwork and they learn about the theme of the YLDC class, I've Got Your Back. Then, once a month, students actively participate in seminars and activities that engage and educate them about the community and their place in it. Each month's day-long session explores a different aspect of leadership in our community with an eye toward building interest in local issues.

While learning about the community, students will develop their leadership potential through active participation in ropes courses, law enforcement training activities, interviewing with various media personnel, and visiting with local legislators and county commissioners. Each session offers an interactive opportunity for personal exploration and growth around such topics as working together as a team, getting in front of the TV camera, how to handle credit and even how a bit of improvisational skill can come in handy.

The classes run throughout the school year; school attendance on these days is excused, but students are responsible for any school work missed.

Kristine Turner, Ph.D.

YLDC, Director

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's names \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's email \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please write a short paragraph about why you would like to be in YLDC (and attach it to your application).
2. What attributes do you bring to a youth leadership program and what do you hope to learn? (Attach paragraph).
3. List some of the other activities that you have been involved with during high school and middle school.

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### **PARENT PERMISSION**

Student name \_\_\_\_\_

I am the parent/legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ (student name). I have read the information on the Youth Leadership Douglas County program and am willing to have my child participate. I understand the attendance policy and commit to helping my son/daughter to meet these requirements. Youth Leadership Douglas County, its agents, and its employees have my full permission and consent to transport and otherwise provide transportation for my child by public service bus, private automobile, vans or other appropriate means of transportation in connection with all sessions of Youth Leadership Douglas County during the school year in which he/she is a participant.

**YLDC has permission to take pictures of the Student and to publish them on this website, and in newsletters, etc.**

I hereby release and hold harmless Youth Leadership Douglas County, its members, agents, employees or any individuals involved in the planning, organization or presentation of Youth Leadership Douglas County programming, for any accident, injury, illness or any damage whatsoever related to the above-mentioned student's attendance at or participation in any activity or session of Youth Leadership Douglas County.

Parent/legal guardian name(s) (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ work phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

### **This is Youth Leadership**

COMMITMENT: Because many businesses, government agencies and organizations like the Douglas County Educational Foundation and the Douglas County Youth Initiative believe in the power of this opportunity, they have agreed to help sponsor this program, therefore, reducing the cost to participants. The estimated cost for YLDC is \$495.00.