



Youth Leadership Hall County:

Youth Leadership Hall County (YLH) is a program of Leadership Hall County, a division of the Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce

Mission:

Youth Leadership Hall is a leadership development program that informs, motivates, and increases the awareness of selected high school juniors and seniors through interaction with community leaders.

The program is an investment in the community's future leadership.

About the Program:

- A leadership program for high school juniors and seniors, which enables students to develop leadership skills, while increasing awareness of their community;
- Brings together a diverse group of high school juniors and seniors from public and private schools in Hall County.
- Class members participate in hands-on activities and team building exercises outside of the classroom walls;
- Program enhances classroom curriculum;
- Participants are given the opportunity to network with business leaders throughout community;
- Participants gain career knowledge from a large variety of industries;
- Program helps young participants become confident, self-motivated leaders;
- Participants get excited about returning and contributing to our community after college;
- Gain valuable leadership skills, develop excellent communication skills while realizing the importance of a team;
- Self-esteem is enhanced; verbal expression deepens;
- Participants improve their sense of civic responsibility and servant leadership by participating in community service projects; and
- Participants develop relationships with students with different backgrounds including, ethnics, religious, and national groups.

Eligibility:

1. Candidate must be a rising junior or senior.
2. Candidate must demonstrate leadership character traits, in and outside of the classroom.
3. Candidate must have an exemplary academic record as well as enthusiasm and commitment to the program.
4. Candidate should be involved in their schools through school clubs, athletics or student organizations.
5. Candidate should have expressed interest in understanding and serving the community.
6. Candidate should have demonstrated leadership ability or have exhibited potential leadership ability.

Selection Process:

The selection process for this program will begin in January of each year with application information being sent to each school. Using the program objectives and eligibility requirements as a guideline, individual educators nominate their student of choice to a designated faculty member who is responsible for: collecting applications; supervising the selection process; and submitting completed applications to the Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce in February. Potential participants are asked to complete an application and provide two letters of reference from a community leader and an educator. Previous applicants who were not chosen may reapply, if eligible.

Each applicant will be interviewed by a Selection Committee comprised of members of the business community and educators. The Selection Committee strives to achieve balance in the class by ensuring diversity of race/ethnicity, gender, and schools. All applicants are notified of the results of the selection process in May of each year. Quota for each participating school is based on student (rising juniors and seniors) enrollment, please see chart below.

Total number of rising Juniors & Seniors	Applicants (Interviewed per school)	Participants (Selected per school)
1-50	2	1
21-101	4	2
102-201	5	3
202-301	7	4
302-401	9	5
400-501	10	6

Tuition:

After acceptance, participants will be required to pay a \$45 one-time fee to help offset some of the expenses.

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