



Youth Connectedness Initiative (YCI)
Student Peer Leader (9th - 12th Grade)

Peer Leader Application Form

The Youth Connectedness Initiative is a new program at YCS which focuses on developing collaboration among youth, parents, and adult allies to raise the awareness about how the youth feel about their sense of connection and belonging to their communities. Youth will create service learning projects and build healthy relationships that help them thrive.

This program will start on Wednesday, October 17th, end on December 5th and will resume on January 9, 2019.

What will you gain from joining?

- Leadership skills
- You will organize a project with other youth and adults in the Palo Alto community
- Make new friends and strengthen relationships with fellow peers, adults and community

What I need to know before joining:

- In order to receive a full monthly \$120 stipend you will need to commit to the following:
 - Attend and commit to the remaining semester weekly meetings
 - Every Wednesday from 4:00 to 5:30pm
 - Location to be announced
- Complete the application form for selection process

For more information please email the Youth Program Coordinator, Yusra Beig at yusra@youthcommunityservice.org

Youth Community Service (YCS)
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Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

School: _____

Date of birth: ___ / ___ / ___

Student Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Number: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

I, the parent/guardian of _____, give permission for my child to participate in YCS program activities, including associated travel sponsored by Youth Community Service. In consideration of participation in this program, I hereby hold harmless Youth Community Service (YCS), its agents, employees and volunteers, from any injuries, accidents or losses, however caused, related to attending the activities, and agree to release all parties involved from any claim, lawsuit or damage which may arise as a result of or by reason of any injury, loss or accident.

I give my permission for YCS to use my child's picture, work, and quotes for promotional materials.

Yes: _____ No: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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What are qualities that you think a good leader should have?

How would you define community?

On a scale of 1 to 10 (10 feeling most connected), how connected do you feel with your peers at school? Explain your answer.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Do you have at least three people you can go to when you want to talk? Yes No

What are ways that you think we can strengthen relationships with peers at school, friends, and family?

Why do you want to become a YCI Peer Leader?

What would you like to do as a YCI Peer Leader?

Are you be able to make the commitment to the Youth Connectedness Initiative for the duration of the semester? Are you able to commit to the remaining semester weekly Wednesday meetings from 4:00 to 5:30PM starting Wednesday, October 17th till December 5th? Yes No