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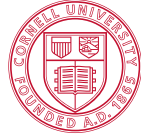
Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rockland County is an educational, non-profit organization that helps people improve their families, businesses and communities through informal education programs that use scientific knowledge to address current issues and solve problems. 4-H Youth Development is the youth component of the Extension system. 4-H helps youth develop their skills to become responsible adults and better citizens.

Leadership Rockland, Inc. identifies, informs and inspires leaders to better serve our community by increasing awareness of the many facets of Rockland County. Its goal is to attract and nurture exceptional leaders and to provide opportunities and structure for a continuum of professional development activity which will enhance their knowledge of Rockland County. Over 460 participants have graduated from the program since its inception in 1991.

Teen Leadership Rockland is modeled after this innovative leadership training opportunity.

Leadership Rockland Alumni Association

is a group of more than 400 community members who have graduated from Leadership Rockland. The group includes women and men from arts, business, industry, labor, law, medicine, education, government, finance, social and civic agencies and many other walks of life. Their goal is to promote the development of leadership among emerging decision makers and community-minded people in Rockland. They are a valuable, talented network of individuals who have leadership qualities, the energy to devote to greater community involvement and a common concern for Rockland's future.



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Teen Leadership Rockland
is a 4-H Youth Development
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*High School
Sophomores*
are invited to apply for



A 4-H Youth Development Program
of
Cornell Cooperative Extension
in partnership with
Leadership Rockland, Inc.
and the
Leadership Rockland
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What is Teen Leadership Rockland?

Teen Leadership Rockland is a community leadership development program for high school sophomores. The program connects students who have leadership potential with each other and the community through interactive seminars with community leaders. This program is modeled after the very successful Leadership Rockland program for adults.

Program Goals:

1. Encourage students/emerging leaders to recognize their own potential and develop their leadership skills and tools for improved community involvement.
2. Provide opportunities for students from different geographical areas to know one another and develop a level of mutual trust and respect.
3. Foster an awareness of community resources, volunteer opportunities, and promote community service.
4. Promote a greater understanding of contemporary issues through interaction and problem solving with peers and community leaders.
5. Develop pride in our Rockland County community.

Who may participate?

This program is designed for Rockland County high school sophomores who are interested in developing their leadership skills in order to make greater contributions to their schools and communities and to prepare for college and/or future careers. They do not have to be in current leadership roles to be selected; a demonstrated ability to take initiative, use leadership skills, and a commitment to learning are equally important to the members of the Selection Committee.

What is expected?

Attendance at all programs is expected. Neat, casual dress is required.

What is the program schedule?

Orientation for students and parents is
Thursday, November 17, 2011 at 7PM.

Location and directions will be sent in
acceptance letters.

Participants must be able to attend **all** of the
following **Tuesday** sessions from **3:45-7:45PM**;
locations will be announced at a later date.

Introduction to Leadership
– December 13, 2011

Media Literacy and Cultural Sensitivity
– January 10, 2012

Public Speaking – January 24, 2012

Presenting Yourself in Public – February 7, 2012

Understanding the Justice System – March 6, 2012

Leadership in County Government – March 20, 2012

Leadership and Group Dynamics – April 10, 2012

Graduation Ceremony and Dinner – May 8, 2012

Where are the programs located?

All programs will be held in Rockland County. A list of sites will be provided at the Orientation session. Families must make arrangements for students to be dropped off and picked up at the program sites.

What is the cost?

The program fee is \$125.00. Partial scholarships are available for families who need financial assistance. The program fee is due upon acceptance to Teen Leadership Rockland.

How can students apply to the program?

Interested students must apply on-line. The brochure and application can be found at www.rocklandcce.org.

Applicants should:

- Submit a completed application form (including the list of organizations and activities and a response to the essay question) to **pp40@cornell.edu** by **Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 5PM**. Applications received after that time will not be considered.

- Prepare to participate in an interview with members of the Teen Leadership Rockland Selection Committee that will be held in late October.

- Request two letters of recommendation. One must be from someone in your school; the other should be unrelated to school. Family members should not provide recommendations. These letters should be hand delivered by you at the time of your interview.

Note: Class size is limited. Only applicants who submit their applications timely and take part in the interview process will be considered.

Applicants will be informed by mail as to the status of their application.