



## Application for Program Year September 2022 – March 2023

### Youth Leadership Sandy Springs

- Open to rising high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors. (Class of 2023 will be open to Seniors)
- Nine program days in total: 5 during school hours. *You must be able to miss school.* All absences will be excused but you must make up missed work.
- You must complete this entire application
- Tuition is \$700. Full and partial scholarships are available.

Complete the application to help us understand who you are and what you hope to accomplish as a member of the YLSS Class of 2022 – 2023. Your application must be completed and submitted by **March 04, 2022.**

**Tuition and Scholarships.** The required tuition fee, payable upon acceptance into the program, is \$700. This fee helps cover YLSS program expenses.

Full and partial scholarships, based on financial need, are available. Requests for financial assistance are confidential and have no effect on the selection process. If you would like to be considered for a scholarship, please check the applicable box on the application form.

**Thank you for your interest in YLSS.** You will receive an email indicating receipt of your entire application. If you do not receive this email, please contact us. You will be notified of your acceptance status into the program by April 30, 2022.

**Questions:** Contact Linda Cahn 404-983-1962 or [YLSSDirector@leadershipsandysprings.org](mailto:YLSSDirector@leadershipsandysprings.org).



## APPLICATION PROCESS

**Submit the application and supporting documents via email to [YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org](mailto:YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org) by March 04, 2022. You will hear back from us by April 30, 2022 regarding your acceptance status.**

There are **three** parts to your YLSS application. **All parts must be completed by March 04, 2022 for you to be considered for 2022-2023 class.** There is also an *Optional Recommendation*. Instructions for each of these pieces follows.

1. Demographics and essays: A form requiring basic demographic information and your responses to essay questions. This form should be saved to your computer and sent via email to [YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org](mailto:YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org)
2. Video Introduction: Complete and submit the video introduction via at (<https://www.dropbox.com/request/AqAIDCyTCLTitoTIL1Tj>) Follow the instructions to upload your video completely.
3. Time and Transportation form. Complete this form, have your school principal sign it, and send the form or a photo of the form to [YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org](mailto:YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org)
4. *Optional Recommendation*. If there is someone who knows you well and you would like to ask them to complete a recommendation, there is a form enclosed. *This is purely optional.*

**You must complete all pieces, or your application will not be accepted. Do NOT send a Google Docs invite. Complete your application, save it, and email the file back to us at [YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org](mailto:YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org).**



**Follow the instructions below to complete each piece accurately and completely.**

1. **Application:** Download this fillable form, save it to your computer and type in your information. Short essay questions are limited to 1000 characters each. Save and email your completed application to: [YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org](mailto:YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org).
2. **Video:** Submit a two-minute video of yourself. Instructions on the content of the video are below. Be sure you introduce yourself and state your name in the video. When you have completed the video, save it with your name in the filename and upload it at <https://www.dropbox.com/request/AqAIDCyTCLTitoTIL1Tj>
3. **Time and Transportation Commitment page:**
  - **Time Commitment:** YLSS has a minimum of nine meeting days during the school year, plus a Kickoff Night. This includes five weekdays for which you will miss school. You will be responsible for completing any missed assignments. To ensure your school knows that you are applying for this program, please collect the required signatures, scan and email the form to [YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org](mailto:YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org).
  - **Transportation Commitment:** All YLSS program days start and end in Sandy Springs. If we travel during the day, YLSS will provide transportation to and from the daily starting point. **It is your responsibility to get to our starting point on time each day.**
4. **Optional Recommendation.** If you would like to have an adult who knows you well write a recommendation for you, provide them with the Recommendation page and a stamped envelope addressed to Youth Leadership Sandy Springs, P.O. Box 28007, Sandy Springs, GA 30358.

**Complete the application, save it to your computer and email it to:**

[YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org](mailto:YLSSapp@LeadershipSandySprings.org)

**All documents must be received as requested above by **midnight, Friday March 4<sup>th</sup>**.**

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**Do NOT send a Google Docs invite.**



<b>PERSONAL INFORMATION</b>					
Last Name:		First Name:		M.I.	Prefer to be called:
Home Address:			City:		ZIP:
Email Address (all YLSS participants must have a valid email address):					
Cell Phone (all YLSS participants must be able to send and receive text messages):					
Home Phone (if applicable):					
School:		Current Grade:		Gender:	
Have any of your immediate family members participated in YLSS or LSS?					
If so, please list their name and year, if known:					
<p><b>TUITION and SCHOLARSHIPS</b></p> <p>Tuition is \$700 and payable upon acceptance into the program. Full and partial scholarships, based on financial need, are available. Requests for financial assistance are confidential and have no effect on the selection process.</p> <p>Would you like to be considered for a financial-aid scholarship? Yes:                      No:</p>					
<p><b>T-Shirt Size</b></p> <p>Small                      Medium                      Large                      X- Large                      XX- Large                      XXX- Large</p>					



**Essay Questions: (please respond to each question in 1000 characters or less)**

1. What is your favorite class? Why?
2. What do you want to learn from YLSS and why?
3. Other than your academic classes and homework, how do you spend your time?

1. Pick **one** additional question from the list below and answer it in the space provided. It **cannot** be the same question as the one you select for your video:
- Describe a time when you were curious about something and how you pursued it.
  - Describe a time when you had a leadership role, either formally or informally. Describe an area in which you were successful and an area in which you struggled while you were in this role.
  - Think about the ways you are involved in your community. Describe a time when you made a difference. (You may define community however it makes sense to you.)
  - What is one personal accomplishment that makes you most proud?
  - Is there something unique about you that you would like us to know?

Answer:
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## Video:

As we are unable to interview applicants, we ask that you submit a two-minute video that answers **one** of the questions below. Read through the questions and select **one** question to answer. It must not be the same question you answered in the essays. Feel free to be as creative as you'd like in content and setting for your response. The goal is for you to give us a sense of who you are and what is important to you.

Be sure you introduce yourself and **state your name in the video.**

- Describe a time when you were curious about something and how you pursued it.
- Describe a time when you had a leadership role, either formally or informally. Describe a situation in which you were successful and a situation in which you struggled while you were in this role.
- Think about the ways you are involved in your community. Describe a time when you made a difference. (You may define community however it makes sense to you.)
- What is one personal accomplishment that makes you most proud? Why?

When you have completed the video, save it with **your name in the file name** and upload it to <https://www.dropbox.com/request/AqAIDCyTCLTitoTIL1Tj>

- Follow the onscreen directions to upload your video correctly.
- Be sure to enter your name and email address and press **Upload** to make sure your video is saved into the dropbox.
- It is best to wait until the video is done loading before closing your browser.



## COMMITMENT: Time and Transportation

The **time** commitment to participate in YLSS is to be taken seriously and attendance at all programs is mandatory. Participants who miss three or more program days may be asked to leave the program. Students will be required to miss up to five days from school and participate in 4 weekend events.

Students are required to provide their own **transportation** to/from all program days. If a program is not occurring in Sandy Springs, we will meet at a central location in Sandy Springs and take a chartered bus to the program.

YLSS applicants must have the support and commitment of their high school and their parent/ guardian. The signature of the principal is necessary to indicate that commitment. Additionally, the signature of a parent or legal guardian is necessary to indicate support for your participation in YLSS and your ability to get to/from each program day.

**Student Name (Printed)** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of High School Principal Date

Please sign and mail by **March 04, 2022**, in the student-provided envelope addressed to Youth Leadership Sandy Springs, P.O. Box 28007, Sandy Springs, GA 30358. Alternatively, take a clear photo of the signed form and email to [ylsapp@leadershipsandysprings.org](mailto:ylsapp@leadershipsandysprings.org).



***Optional***  
**Recommendation for Youth Leadership Sandy Springs**

*Youth Leadership Sandy Springs, YLSS, is a unique opportunity for rising high school sophomores, juniors and seniors to develop leadership skills, understand how a community works and discover opportunities for community service. In the nine-month program, students explore Sandy Springs, seeing how government, environmental issues, social service agencies, public safety and businesses come together to shape our community.*

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

How long and in what capacity have you known this applicant?

What are the first three words that come to mind when you think of this student?

What is your candid estimation of the applicant's personal qualities? How well is he or she suited to learn from and contribute to the YLSS class as described above?

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position or Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Organization

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