



YOUTH AMBASSADOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Description and Application Criteria



DESCRIPTION

The Los Alamitos Area Chamber of Commerce Youth Ambassador Program is the result of a unique alliance between the youth, business, non-profit and high school community. Its purpose is to facilitate a link between the youth and adult communities thereby increasing awareness and understanding. The successful applicant winner will act as "Youth Advocate" during his/her senior year of high school by participating in scheduled events/activities sponsored by community businesses, non-profits and civic organizations.

A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to one candidate.

CRITERIA

- The Career Center must receive applications **by 3:00 p.m. May 8th, 2015.**
- Applicants must be in their **Junior year of High School.**
- Applicants must have a 2.5 cumulative GPA.
- Applicants must attend the Los Alamitos High School
- Applicants must have some prior community service experience.
- Applicants must be approved by their School Activity Office.
- Written recommendations by teachers are encouraged.

PROCESS

- Complete applications will be screened by the Los Alamitos Chamber of Commerce Young Professionals Scholarship Committee. All applicants will be notified by mail or e-mail of their status.
- The semi finalists will be invited to interview on Wednesday, May 12th, 2015, between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. at the Los Alamitos Area Chamber of Commerce Office, 3231 Katella Avenue, Los Alamitos, CA 90720, 562-598-6659 with the committee of volunteers representing members of the Los Alamitos Chamber of Commerce Young Professionals. The interview, scheduled to last 10 minutes, will judge the applicant's ability to articulate, clarity of thought, and overall public presentation skills.
- One applicant will be selected as the 2015 / 2016 Youth Ambassador and serve in that capacity during his/her Senior Year of High School.
- A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to the Youth Ambassador upon successful completion of his/her responsibilities (May 2015 - June 2016) at the Senior Awards night 2016.
- Decisions of the Committee are final. In the event of a tie, the Young Professionals Chairman shall declare the winner.

Questions please contact:

The Career Center: Ms. Valerie Beachley 562-799-4780 x 82244 or vbeachley@losal.org

The Los Alamitos Area Chamber of Commerce 562-598-6659 or info@losalchamber.org

YOUTH AMBASSADOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION
Sponsored by the Los Alamitos Area Chamber of Commerce
(Current Juniors only)
Deadline: 3:00 p.m. May 8th, 2015

Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant's Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

School: _____ Grade : _____ Age: _____ [] Male [] Female

(Please feel free to expand your answers. Maximum 2 typed pages.)

List present and past school activities and/or clubs with which you have been involved:

List and describe your past community service activities:

List any past awards received. Be specific:

From your limited knowledge of the Youth Ambassador Scholarship Program, describe why you feel that you should be selected as a recipient:

What one specific youth issue do you believe is misunderstood by the adult community?

I hereby apply for the Los Alamitos Area Chamber of Commerce Youth Ambassador Scholarship Program. I also affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing statements are correct and truthful and that I intend to pursue a postsecondary educational plan.

Student Signature _____ Date: _____

This application must be approved by the school Activity Office.

Approved by: (Print Name & Title) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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