Greater Wyoming Valley Council
on Youth Leadership

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Youth Salute Information Sheet

National Council On Youth Leadership

What is Youth Salute?

Youth Salute is a national program created to recognize youth and their achievements. NCYL, Youth Salute is a non-profit program headquartered in St. Louis honoring youth leaders since 1976. Youth Salute conducts the nationals in cooperation with Washington University in St. Louis. On a local level over 4000 students have been recognized in the Greater Wyoming Valley.
Our Motto "Recognizing and Applauding Today's Youth".

How do Youth Salute nominees get recognized?

After applications are accepted, Youth Salute nominees are recognized in our area through a traveling display. Accepted nominees are photographed and along with their individual achievements a display profile is created for each accepted Youth Salute nominee. The YS panels are displayed at local businesses and schools that sponsor the Youth Salute program. This may include banks, courthouses, fairs, and locations that get high people traffic. If you know of a business that would like to display the panels, or become involved with this organization, please contact the Wyoming Valley Chapter @ 570-696-4646

Youth Salute nominees are also recognized at our yearly awards ceremony. All nominees are invited to attend and are awarded their certificates and the Youth Leaders of the area are given recognition and some may receive scholarships. The top Youth Leader of the year is awarded a fully paid round trip to represent the Greater Wyoming Valley at the Nationals (Town meeting on Tomorrow) in St. Louis, and a chance to compete for scholarship money.

How does Youth Salute work?

A student meeting the Youth Salute criteria may be nominated, by your guidance counselor, principal, teacher, community leaders, etc. The Application can be obtained from your guidance counselor or our website. www.photo-by-andy.com/youth-salute
Once a student has been accepted as a nominee, nominees will then be scheduled for a photographic session that will include 4 different outfits. The nominees can bring props or items that pertain to their accomplishments. Parents are required to accompany the nominees to their session All Images and profile info must be complete by July 31, 2021 , in order for the panels to be ready for their tour. (The tour starts in late August.) Following this, the display panel is created and is scheduled for tour at set locations. This is a year long program and may continue from January to November. In September The Greater Wyoming Valley will hold it's Youth Salute Awards Program to honor the nominees and announce the local youth leaders.

What does it cost to be in Youth Salute?

There is no cost to be a Youth Salute nominee. Youth Salute nominees are offered a chance to purchase the profile display at parents discretion. Some parents choose to purchase the display as a keepsake, some do not. There is no obligation whatsoever to purchase the display. This program is not based on selling the nominees display, but it is based on foremost recognizing the nominees. Youth Salute is a not for profit program and is sponsored by businesses throughout the community that are interested in recognizing our youth, our leaders. All awards, banquet, paraphernalia, advertising, trips, etc.. are all donated by businesses throughout the Luzerne County.
If you are a person or business owner who is interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact us for more info.

Who can be recognized by Youth Salute?

High school juniors with a 3.0 GPA or above and involved in several or many activities (high achievers), including, but not limited to: school, religious activities and or community. Students must show proof of GPA on application through verification from their school guidance counselor.

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Any questions contact: Photography By Andy 570-696-4646

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Youth Salute Application 2021

1. Fill out application, and write your essay.

2. Mail to: **Youth Salute Coordinators**
5 Dug Rd.
Trucksville, PA 18708
or Give to your Guidance Counselor
Application form, essay, and student bio must be returned no later than Friday, April 16th, 2021.
Any Questions call Photography By Andy 570-696-4646 or e-mail apmphoto@photo-by-andy.com

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION		
Full Name:		Female/Male:
Home Address:		
Phone:		
Parent(s) Name:		
Parent(s) Address:		
Parent(s) Email		Class Rank:
High School:		GPA:
Email Address:		Birth Date:

2. EMPLOYMENT

Current employment (including number of hours per week):

Past employment (including number of hours per week):

3. LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Please list all leadership roles/positions that you have held during high school.
This includes positions that you have been elected, appointed or selected to take on.
(Enumerate by starting each role/position with 1, 2, 3, etc.

4. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Please list specific community activities/organizations that you have been involved with outside of school. (Enumerate by starting each item 1, 2, 3, etc.) *Please note if this was a school-related community service.*

5. RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION ACTIVITY

Please list your involvement in any religious organization, especially leadership positions you may have held. (Enumerate by starting each item 1, 2, 3, etc.)

6. SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT

List all grades involved: 9, 10, and 11.	School Government	Specific Position Held or Honors Received
	All-School Officer	
	Class Officer	
	Student Gov't Activities (e.g. Prom, Food Bank)	
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	Newspaper Staff	
	Yearbook Staff	
	Literary Magazine Staff	
	Other (Be Specific)	
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List all grades involved: 9, 10, and 11.	**Performance**	**Specific Position Held or Honors Received**
	Band	
	Jazz Band	
	Drum Line	
	Color Guard	
	All-State Band	
	Orchestra	
	All-State Orchestra	
	Small Group (Be Specific)	
	Chorus	
	Small Group (Be Specific)	
	All-State Chorus	
	Show Choir	
	School Plays	
	Mime	
	Thespians	
	Debate/Speech Events (Be Specific)	
	Drill/Dance Team	
	Other Performance/Arts	
	Art Club	
	Other (Be Specific)	

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List all grades involved: 9, 10, and 11.	**Academics**	**Specific Position Held or Honors Received**
	Honor Roll	
	National Honor Society	
	Other (Be Specific)	

List all grades involved: 9, 10, and 11.	**Social Service**	**Specific Position Held or Honors Received**
	Student Ambassador	
	Care Communicator	
	REACH	
	SADD	
	Other (Be Specific)	
List all grades involved: 9, 10, and 11.	**Foreign Language**	**Specific Position Held or Honors Received**
	Club	
	Other (Be Specific)	
List all grades involved: 9, 10, and 11.	**Athletics**	**Specific Position Held or Honors Received**
	Football	
	Volleyball	
	Basketball	
	Baseball	
	Softball	
	Wrestling	
	Track	
	Cross Country	
	Swimming	
	Diving	
	Tennis	
	Golf	
	Soccer	
	Team Manager	
	Intramurals	
	Cheerleading	
	Pep Club	
	Other (Be Specific)	

List all grades involved: 9, 10, and 11.	Other Organizations	Specific Position Held or Honors Received
	FBLA	
	FFA	
	Other (Be Specific)	

Please list any other school related activities or honors not listed above.

7. LEADERSHIP ESSAY

Please respond to the following two-part question in 500 words or less combined for both essays.

1. What are your strongest leadership skills and what are you doing to improve your weaker ones?
2. How will you use your leadership skills to impact your future?

Essay criteria:

1. Typed, at least one page, double-spaced using a 12 point font.
2. Please type your name and school at the top of your essay page.
3. Use correct grammar, punctuation and spelling.
5. You may use personal anecdotes, personal interviews and personal observations to illustrate your points.

6. Staple your essay to your application form and return it to the

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8. SIGNATURES

Nominator

To the best of my knowledge, this student will be a high school senior during the 2020-21 school year with at least a cumulative 3.0 GPA and has been chosen for two leadership roles by their peers or an adult leader within the past two years in school, religious or community sponsored organizations. I nominate this student to participate in the Town Meeting on Tomorrow leadership conference.

Name:
Phone Number:
Email Address

Signature of
Nominator_____Date_____

High School Counselor

I have verified that this student has at least a cumulative 3.0 GPA through their junior year and will be a high school senior during the 2020-21 school year.

Name:
Phone Number:
Email Address

Signature of
Counselor_____Date_____

Parent/Guardian

The information contained herein is correct. I hereby give consent for all information provided herein and photographs taken of the student in conjunction with the Town Meeting on Tomorrow leadership conference to be used for publicity and display in school, community and web site. I hereby release the National Council on Youth Leadership and their employees and volunteers, from any liability resulting from injuries or illness sustained while participating in the Town Meeting on Tomorrow program.

Signature of
Parent/Guardian_____Date_____

Student

I certify that all the information given on this application is true, correct, and complete. Additionally, I am advising the National Council on Youth Leadership that I have not engaged in any activities which would be considered in violation of the Good Conduct Rule, or its equivalent, in place at my high school or its National Honor Society. Finally, I agree to notify the National Council on Youth Leadership should I engage in any such activity at any time between now and the completion of my participation in Town Meeting on Tomorrow.

Signature of Nominated
Student_____Date_____

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