



Youth delegates from your city or town are invited to join us at the 11th Annual League Youth Program to be held at the League Annual Conference, Wednesday, August 24, at the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess in Scottsdale, Arizona. Attendees will participate in their own sessions and activities, as well as have the opportunity to interact with local elected officials and learn more about the issues and challenges facing Arizona. Youth commissions and youth advisory boards from across the state are invited to participate.

PLEASE NOTE: There is a \$65 fee for each student and chaperone attending the Youth Program.

Questions? Please call 602-258-5786.

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. Breakfast and Registration

Youth who are **participating in the Parade of Flags**: Please go directly to the practice at 7:30 a.m. You will be able to check in with the Youth Program after the Opening General Session.

Youth who are **not participating in the Parade of Flags** may check-in. At check in youth and chaperones will be assigned a number. That number will correspond to a table number inside the ballroom. Youth and chaperones should sit at the assigned table number. After the scavenger hunt, youth and chaperones may sit at any table.

9:00 a.m. Parade of Flags and Opening General Session

As a group, the youth will go to the Opening General Session. There will be seats reserved for the youth in the back of the room. After the League president recognizes the youth, we will head back together.

10:00 a.m. Ice Breaker: Scavenger Hunt

Youth and chaperones will participate in a scavenger hunt at the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess.

11:00 a.m. Youth Session: Governor's Youth Commission – Inspiring Youth to Lead

Speakers: Tanner Lederman, Vice-President, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family
Abby Tucker, President, Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family

Learn how to inspire, equip, and mobilize youth to take the lead in your communities as they help solve the greatest challenges facing teens in Arizona. The Governor's Youth Commission (GYC) will highlight the key concepts and planning tools and show you how they got involved at the community level. Established in 1989, the GYC is a diverse body of Arizona's high school students composed of fifty-one members from all fifteen counties.

The speakers will inform you how you can become part of the solution by partnering with teachers, parents, schools, community organizations and businesses. This year, the GYC identified five issue areas that are most affecting teens in their communities: substance abuse, bullying, teen dating violence, distracted driving and civics education. Join us to learn how you can get involved and how to ignite the spark in all youth to make a difference.

- 11:15 a.m. Youth Session: Thinking About, Preparing for, and Projecting Yourself as a College Graduate!**
Speaker: Alonzo Jones, Associate Athletic Director, Inclusion & Championship Life, Arizona State University
This workshop will examine the many identities we all have and how each, IN BALANCE, can help us achieve our highest goals.
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch**
Elected officials will be invited to attend this lunch and interact with the youth.
- 1:00 p.m. Youth Session: Learning Through Laughter**
Speaker: Tristan Gandolfi, Founder & CEO, Humor Writes
Improvisation, or improv, is a form of live theatre in which the plot, characters and dialogue of a game, scene or story are made up in the moment. Often improvisers will take a suggestion from the audience, or draw on some other source of inspiration to get started. The founder of Humor Writes saw a direct correlation between game play and literacy. Join Tristan for an interactive workshop that utilizes the unknown to develop leadership, confidence, and once in a lifetime comedy.
- 1:45 p.m. Networking: Learning From Other Councils**
Youth will have an opportunity to network with other students and display poster boards that highlight unique programs or ideas from the various youth councils. Youth councils are not required to submit their topic.
- 2:30 p.m. Youth Session: Leading Today, Head-First and Heart-Strong**
Speaker: Paloma Ibañez, Senior Development Associate, Javelina
Leaders will explore their leadership style(s) through an assessment and set some personal next steps. Learning about and leaning into the leader you are today will take you where you want to go, it's the journey and the destination.
- 3:00 p.m. Youth Program Concludes**

REQUIREMENTS

- A signed permission form from each youth must be submitted.
- Each youth will need a release from school (if in session). We encourage you to work with the school to help the students get academic credit for participation in this event.
- At least one qualified chaperone must accompany youth.
- Attending youth will be expected to participate in all scheduled events.
- Each city/town must provide transportation to and from the conference.
- Sufficient funding must be provided for any expenses not covered by the registration fee e.g., lodging, travel expenses, etc.

If your youth delegates need hotel rooms, please contact Amy Price at 602-258-5786 for information.

GUIDELINES

- Each city/town should inform its student delegation and parents what the conference is about as well as the rules and expectations of the League and host city.
- Youth should come prepared with information to share about their city/town.
- Find an appropriate way to have the youth report back on their experience so the larger community can benefit from each youth delegate's participation.

RULES AND PERMISSION

- Attendance by youth at the conference is a privilege extended by the League of Arizona Cities & Towns and the hosting city. This privilege may be conditioned or revoked at any time by the League or the host city.
- The League of Arizona Cities & Towns is not responsible for any expenses/obligations incurred by any youth attending its Annual Conference and associated events.
- The youth's sponsor city and designated chaperone are responsible for appropriate supervision and protection of the youth at all times.
- Participating youth are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a professional manner to the occasion.
- Youth are expected to wear appropriate "business casual" attire at all conference sessions, and may be asked to change if not in compliance. (E.g., slacks and collared shirt for boys and slacks and blouse for girls; NO tank tops, t-shirts, baggy pants, bare midriiffs, flip-flops.)
- Participating youth must be in high school and involved in participating activities related to a city-sponsored Youth Commission or Youth Advisory Board.
- All youth delegations are limited to six students and must have at least one adult chaperone in attendance. The chaperone must be with the students at all times they are at the conference.
- Youth will refrain from use of alcohol or any other controlled substance at all times, including travel to and from the conference.
- Any youth violating these rules and those of his/her sponsoring city may be asked to return home immediately. In such case, the parent or legal guardian agrees to immediately come and get their child at his or her own expense.

PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION

As a parent or legal guardian, I, _____, grant permission for _____ to attend the League of Arizona Cities & Towns Annual Conference Youth Program, August 24, 2016, in Scottsdale, AZ. I have signed a similar permission form with the city/town of _____, and agree to abide by the rules set forth by the host city and the League of Arizona Cities & Towns (see above). I agree to hold the League of Arizona Cities & Towns harmless for my child's participation in this conference.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name

Relationship

Contact Number

PHOTO / VIDEO IMAGE STATEMENT

The League of Arizona Cities and Towns will be taking photographs and/or video as part of our 11th Annual Youth Program on Wednesday, August 24 at the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Any photographs or video taken will be used for promotional purposes only. However, if you DO NOT want your minor son/daughter to be included in any publication, please return this form with all information completed.

By NOT returning this form, the League of Arizona Cities and Towns is to understand that all participants are providing permission to use their photograph/video image for promotional purposes.

By returning this form, I am requesting that my son/daughter, _____ **NOT** be included in any photograph or video imaging associated with the 10th Annual League of Arizona Cities and Towns Youth Program.

Minor's Full Name: _____

City/Town Youth Council: _____

Complete Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

REGISTRATION

Sponsoring City or Town Information:

Sponsoring City or Town

City/Town Contact

City/Town Contact Phone

Youth Delegates

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Due to space constraints, there is a limit of six (6) youth delegates per each city or town. In the event one or more of your registered youth cannot attend, please list any alternate delegates here. If the space becomes available, you will be notified at least two weeks before the conference.

1. _____
2. _____

Chaperone Information:

Name

Title

Organization

Phone

Email

Registration Fees:

Youth = \$65

Chaperone = \$65

Special dietary needs:

Please select if any of the youth have special dietary needs; please list names below.

Deadline for Cancellations & Registration:

August 10, 2016

(If a written cancellation request is received before August 1 a \$10 fee will be charged regardless of the reason for cancellation)

Rules for Youth Participation:

The attached rules for youth participation **MUST** be signed by a parent or guardian and submitted with this registration form for your registration to be processed.

If paying by credit card, please fill out the following information:

VISA

MASTERCARD

Card Number

Name on Card

Exp. Date

Security Code

Billing Address Exactly as it Appears on Statement

City

State

Zip

Card Holder Signature

I authorize the League of Arizona Cities & Towns
to charge \$ _____ to the card listed

Please e-mail, mail or fax this completed registration form to:

League of Arizona Cities & Towns, 1820 West Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007

Fax: (602) 253-3874

E-mail: aprice@azleague.org