

YES

LEADERSHIP
PROGRAM

YOUTH EMPOWERED FOR SUCCESS

PURPOSE | PASSION | PURSUIT

MISSION

Through LEADERSHIP, EMPOWERMENT, and SERVICE, we come alongside underserved youth to support them in becoming individuals who contribute to their communities, lead successful lives, and achieve future aspirations.

VISION

Reaching Out Now comes alongside youth to become the best version of themselves with preparedness to face the world with hope, purpose, and optimism.

Each child will be a helpful and impactful part of their community as they achieve their hopes and dreams.



HOW WE SUPPORT:

- » Interactive structured workshops
- » Individual, confidential career and college planning
- » College applications, including The Common App
- » Assessments, college & career research, and enrichment programs
- » Local College Visits
- » Volunteer Opportunities
- » Résumé and Essay Assistance
- » Special events
- » Senior Planning Night
- » Career Day
- » YES Leadership Conference
- » End of Year Leadership Gala

LEADERSHIP CREED

"I am strong; I understand that my strength radiates from within. I am my best self, capable, have a God-given destiny, and can accomplish any goals or tasks. Nothing is impossible for me to achieve; even the word itself says: 'I'm possible.' I will make an IMPACT; I will rise above my circumstances. I am motivated to be better, do better, and make a difference in my life and the life of those around me — bridging the gap that leads to my success."

*"To love a child unconditionally is to determine that no matter what, you will always seek his or her highest good, not your own."
— Jan Silvious*

FRAMEWORK STRUCTURE

The YES Leadership Program will consist of four units based on the NOSCA standards of College and Career Readiness with a track specifically geared for male and female students. Session topics are subject to change and interpretation of the presenter and needs of students involved.

- » Units will be measured by pre- and post-tests with an understanding of what students already know, want to learn, and what they learned.
- » Character development will take approximately four to six weeks.
- » Community Leadership/Engagement will be continual throughout the school year.
- » Workforce Readiness (college and career readiness and financial literacy) will be five to six weeks.
- » Academic literacy will be a focus for approximately three weeks and addressed as an ongoing component of the program.

The academic school year sets the timeline for the units with a wrap-up preceding the end of the academic calendar year. The programs require an application and approval from parents and school staff.

****Students and parents must attend a mandatory orientation at the beginning of the school year.**

LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Youth Empowered for Success (YES) Leadership Program is dedicated to developing middle and high-school-age youth into leaders of tomorrow. Upon high school graduation, the students will continue in mentorship opportunities as graduates of the program.

Program meetings will be held on the first and third Saturday of each month and will be conducted in two parts. The program's first hour will be dedicated to the students completing Career and Social modules that focus on essential life skills and fuel engaging conversations. The second hour will consist of practicing and implementing what was discussed in the first hour through a session led by educators or professionals in the fields introduced.

The program is open to students who attend any public, private, or home-based school in the Shenandoah Valley. Students must be in good academic standing with their school and must have a written endorsement from their school principal or school counselor and support from their parent/guardian.

****Families of children with special needs should reach out directly to Reaching Out Now to discuss support.**

INSTRUCTIONAL GUIDE



6TH-8TH GRADE

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| » Team building | » College field trips |
| » Self-reflection | » Military Day |
| » Communication skills | » Career Day |
| » Public speaking | » Practical money skills |
| » Career and interests | » Nutrition and meal prep |

9TH-10TH GRADE

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| » Valuing oneself | » College field trips |
| » Speaking up for others | » Military Day |
| » Negotiation and leadership | » Career Day |
| » Public speaking | » Junior year planning |
| » Volunteering | » Financial management (financial institution partner) |
| » Career and interests | » YES Leadership Conference |

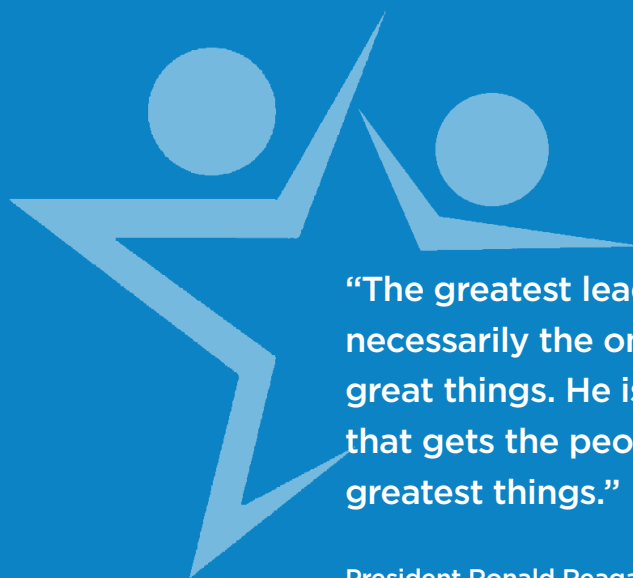
11TH-12TH GRADE

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| » Working through social dilemmas | » College field trips |
| » How have you changed? | » Military Day |
| » Speak up for your causes | » Career Day |
| » Public speaking | » Junior and Senior year planning |
| » Gender in society | » Financial management (financial institution partner) |
| » Rights and responsibilities | » YES Leadership Conference |
| » Career and interests | |



OUR PASSION

Service first! To lead with grace, love, and humility. Providing consistent support to youth in the school communities.



"The greatest leader is not necessarily the one who does great things. He is the one that gets the people to do the greatest things."

President Ronald Reagan



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