2017 YOUTH AMBASSADORS PROGRAM

Student Application

Program Description:
The Youth Ambassador Program is a three week exchange, August 7th – 28th, 2017 that is funded by the United States Department of State and overseen locally by the US Embassy of Trinidad and Tobago. This year World Learning will be hosting the Youth Ambassadors from Trinidad and Tobago and the participating Caribbean countries. The theme of the program this year is Social Transformation. Upon completion of the exchange students under the guidance of the mentor and national coordinator will implement a project in their community.

A life changing experience and a lifetime of service begins with a three week exchange to the United States.

The exchange allows youth to:
► Develop and understand their basic human resources
► Participate in skills-based trainings
► Engage with local government & organizations
► Interact with their peers from other countries
► Experience different cultures and norms

What are the Requirements?
► Be a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago (applicants with dual U.S citizenship will not be considered)
► Enrolled in secondary school
► Between the ages of 15 and 18
► Outstanding school record
► From family with limited economic means
► Display leadership qualities
► Demonstrated interest in improving local community
► Have the ability to work cooperatively in a team and tolerate the opinions of others
► Have signed permission from parent or legal guardian to participate in the program

Please note:
► Students turning 19 on or before the 30th of August cannot apply.
► Students who will be awaiting (CSEC/CAPE Exams) results cannot apply.
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APPLICATIONS GUIDELINES:
Completed applications must be submitted by 9th April, 2017 to IRCPOS@state.gov with the Subject: NAME –WLYA Student Application e.g JANE DOE – WLYA Student Application.

INSTRUCTIONS:
Carefully read the requirements for this program and legibly complete this form

Applicant Information

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If you have not sat CXC, list subjects you are presently pursuing and your last term’s grades

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List other Qualification / Certification

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Are you involved in any 1) school activities 2) community activities 3) sporting activities 4) religious groups?

☐ Yes  
☐ No

If yes please state which ones and exactly how you contribute:

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Do you have a valid passport?

☐ Yes  
☐ No

Have you ever travelled to the United States of America?

☐ Yes  
☐ No

If yes, please state the last time and the purpose of your visit:

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Do you have any immediate family residing in the United States of America?

☐ Yes
☐ No

If yes, please state name (s), their relationship to you and the state they reside in?

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Why do you want to participate in the World Learning Youth Ambassadors Program 2017?

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Can you identify a specific issue or problem affecting your school, neighbourhood, or community? What can you do to help resolve this problem as part of your community project after the exchange?

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Describe one strength of your community (school, city, country) and explain what has influenced this strength.

What knowledge, skills and abilities do you hope to achieve as a result of participating in this program? Who else can benefit from your participation in the program?

Describe an experience working with a group of diverse people. What did you learn from that experience? How did you work together?
How are you as a leader in your school or neighbourhood? Can you identify two or three leadership qualities that you may possess? Kindly use examples of how you may use them.

I acknowledge that the information presented above is a true representation of the applicant. I also acknowledge that if selected further background checks will be done and if any discrepancies are found this will automatically forfeit my child/ward ability to participate in the Youth Ambassadors Program.

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Signature Parent/ Guardian       Signature Applicant

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Date  Date

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