# Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy

#### MISSION

Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy's mission is to deliver a youth leadership program, empowering youth to learn, grow and lead through a learning experience designed to impart knowledge, create community awareness, promote team building and develop leadership skills.

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy is a five-day leadership development program designed to introduce participants to leadership concepts and provide interaction with local business, government and community leaders.

Participants will learn and grow by developing leadership skills and gaining knowledge through various methods. While some time is spent in a classroom setting, most of the week is spent observing leadership in action at various County locations with local business, government and community leaders. The week culminates in a graduation ceremony.



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### PARTICIPANT COMMITMENT

This is a five-day program,
June 17-21, 2024. Sessions are
held each day from 8:00 a.m.3:30 p.m. Attendance every day,
for the entire day, is expected and
required to receive a graduation
certificate. Excused absences will
be considered on a case by case
basis.



"My daughter enjoyed her time at
Leadership Westmoreland Youth
Academy! She found it to be a great
experience. This is a wonderful
educational learning opportunity for
students. Thank you to you and your
team for providing this event!"

S.L. (Penn Trafford Parent)

Applications due by April 29, 2024

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### **TUITION**

This program is financially supported by the Commonwealth of PA and the Workforce Investment Board of Westmoreland/Fayette Counties. It is being facilitated by the Westmoreland County Chamber of Commerce Education Foundation (501C3.) The participant investment in Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy is \$175 which will be invoiced upon acceptance into the program. This investment helps defray operational costs, session materials and meals (light breakfasts, box lunches, snacks.)



"Thank you for accepting me into the Leadership Academy, placing me in a space to learn and make memories and new friends the I will never forget. The structure of the academy was exceptional, teaching me so much that I will be able to use throughout high school and in my career."

B. S. - Franklin Regional High School

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# **REQUIREMENTS**

Application to Leadership
Westmoreland Youth Academy is
open to students who will be
freshmen, sophomores, juniors
and seniors September 2024 with
a minimum grade point average of
2.5 who are enrolled in a school
district, private school or is being
home schooled in Westmoreland
County. The ideal class is 25
individuals. We welcome diversity
and inclusion.

### **SESSION DATES & LOCATION**

June 17-21, 2024 from 8AM-3:30PM. Participants should make their own arrangements to travel daily to and from the Westmoreland Conservation District, 218 Donohoe Road, Greensburg, PA 15601

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

The Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy selection committee will select the first 25 participants meeting the application require



#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

To apply:

- Complete the application process (application & code of responsibility form) by April 29, 2024.
- Submit check in the amount of \$175 payable to WCCC Education Foundation. No refunds after April 29, 2024.
- Note that additional documents may be required as a result of funding received by the Westmoreland & Fayette Counties Workforce Investment Board. This information will be known on March 15, 2024.
   Students who have completed an application will be notified of additional requirements.
- Please direct questions to Grace Markum, Program Facilitator:

Call/Text: (814) 659-7144 or leadership@westmorelandchamber.com



Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy Class of 2023

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