



**Ohio**

Opportunities for Ohioans  
with Disabilities



## **Are You a High School Junior or Senior with a Disability Interested in Self-Advocacy & Leadership Development?**

Today, young people with disabilities have more options and opportunities than at any other time in our nation's history.

The Ohio Youth Leadership Forum (YLF) is a five-day career leadership training program for 11<sup>th</sup>- and 12<sup>th</sup>-grade high school students with disabilities.

Participation in YLF can prepare you to become one of Ohio's future leaders by improving your leadership, citizenship and social skills.

# BECOME A FUTURE LEADER

## At YLF you will:

- Learn about choosing a career;
- Learn about up-to-date available resources and assistive technology;
- Identify existing barriers to personal and professional success and develop plans to overcome those barriers;
- Interact with professionals with disabilities who serve as mentors and role models;
- Develop a Personal Leadership Plan, which includes specific action steps to follow when you return to your community;
- Gain the power to reach your goals in education, employment and community leadership;
- Spend five days with peers your age developing a social network.

## Applications Due in the Spring!

[www.ohioylf.com](http://www.ohioylf.com)

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