

CURRENT SOPHOMORES APPLY BY JULY 1

Students, Parents, or Nominators may complete the application online for the current male or female sophomore by July 1 by going to <http://www.adventurepoint.org/leadership-programs/>

Students, Parents and School Administrators must agree to:

- Allow the student to attend the monthly functions of the program, including one full school day per month.
- Support the students transportation to and from meetings/events
- Provide a student, parent, mentor, and school endorsement of the program requirements

PROGRAM FEE

The program fee for this program is \$150 per month for 10 months, or the full fee of \$1500 may be paid up front. Scholarships are available based on need.

The fee includes all scheduled programs, retreats, materials, capstone trip, and participant shirt, but does not include transportation to regularly scheduled meetings/ activities, personal clothing/equipment.

Students/Schools are encouraged to use personal family funds, school funds, or sponsorships from local businesses/individuals, to assist students with program fee payments if necessary.

SUMMIT

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

VISION

West Michigan's premier immersive youth leadership training academy, which is highly prized, sought after and valued by our community, notably recognized for its leadership results and character development, and worthy of devotion.

MISSION

Prepared. To Lead – Students will gain access to exceptional experiential learning to reinforce their talents, including access to a range of thought leaders, community leaders, and experiences to enhance their skills.

Prepared. To Serve – Helping our young people discover, understand and apply both their talents and skills to make a significant positive impact on our community by preparing them to become valued and sought after employees, church members, community leaders, non-profit board members, government leaders, or role models.

Prepared. For Life® – Preparing the next generation of leaders to launch by being authentic, humble, confident, courageous, mentally tough, and prepared to succeed in life.



APPLY TODAY!

Current sophomores from area High Schools can apply direct, or be nominated by their school by May 1. Nominees will be selected and advised of their acceptance by June 1, with their program beginning in August, then lasting for 1 year. Go to www.adventurepoint.org/leadership-programs today and scroll to the Summit Leadership Application to begin.



FACILITATION

Each cohort will have trained staff advisor and a volunteer cohort chair to oversee the success of the cohort, schedule, admin, safety, etc. One of these cohort leaders, along with other staff and guest presenters will attend all functions of the cohort. The cohort will be divided into "teams" with a youth leadership structure. All Team members will receive a polo shirt for use during all activities. Schools will aid in selecting a mentor to review concepts, listen and coach each individual student when they return from a program activity. All mentors and parents will be invited to an August meet and greet to better understand how to support their student.

All members will be registered in the Career Exploring Program for insurance and program support purposes.

Balanced male and female participants will form a cohort of up to 40 students, broken into teams.

The Summit leadership experience is designed to equip emergent leaders with knowledge, skills and experience, delivered with the experience and expertise of mentors and business leaders.

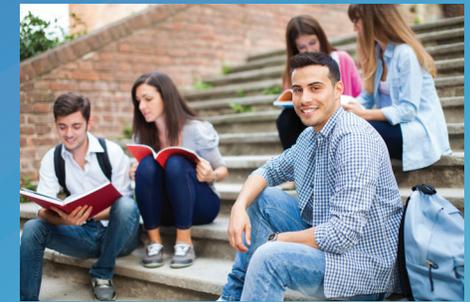
Students will learn technical leadership concepts and skills, learn from leadership expertise in the community through direct interaction and on-site visits, participate in service-learning opportunities, and complete a mountain top capstone high adventure trip to test their new leadership skills.

Completers of this summit experience will also receive a certificate of completion suitable to reference on job or college applications.

This high school age youth leadership experience will invite high school teachers and administrators to nominate emergent youth leaders to this cohort-based program.

PROGRAM FEATURES

- Leadership retreat at Adventure Point
- Meet with and learn from our community's top leaders and experts in leadership
- Visits to select events and meetings in the community to further team building and learning
- Student teams will plan and execute a significant community service project to demonstrate leadership ability
- Summer Capstone High Adventure Trip
- Summer Graduation Family Party at Adventure Point



SCHEDULE

The group will commence annually in August and conclude in July of the following year (1 year program). The September to May sessions will occur on one weekday per month from 9am to 3pm at Adventure Point (and other locations in the Grand Rapids area as scheduled). The program will include weekend retreat, evening, and other select opportunities to enhance the experience. In addition students will plan and execute their own community service project. The program capstone trip will occur in early summer. This trip, planned and supported by the students, will challenge the cohort to take a multi-day high adventure trip to test the leadership skills they have gained.