

LEAD UP Application Summer 2017

Application Deadline is Monday, June 12th at 8:00 am!

Welcome to the LEAD UP Youth Achievement Program Online Application Form! Thank you for your interest in LEAD UP. The LEAD UP (Leadership, Education, Adolescent Development and Unlimited Potential) Youth Achievement Program is for racial/ethnic minority youth who are invited to participate in the program between 9th grade through the first year of college. The program provides leadership and college preparation supports for youth who really want to achieve in life, beginning with their education. To learn more about the Lead UP program visit myleadup.com.

ALL youth who want to participate in LEAD UP must complete either a new or continuing renewal online application by June 12th at 8:00 am. You are required to complete the online application if you are interested in participating in the program as either a: (a) new program participant, or (b) returning current LEAD UP Achiever who would like to continue/renew participation in the program.

Participation in the program includes the following:

Participation in the three-day summer academy at KU! The academy cost is \$160. If you need to subsidize some of the costs, please indicate it in the application as a limited number of partial scholarships may be available.

Participation in online weekly communications (e.g., text messages, emails) provided through the LEAD UP Collaboratory (myleadup.com) including the Achiever 365 blog and other tools.

Participation in monthly LEAD UP Meet Up sessions hosted with the partnering community or school organization who referred you to the program.

As part of completing the online application, you are required to:

Complete all questions in the online application. When you begin the application you'll need to finish. So, make sure you are ready and have some time before you begin the online application. (Note: The application for returning LU Achievers is briefer.)

Provide well-written responses to the essay questions in the application (make sure you proofread). It is recommended that you review the essay requirements and complete the essay in another document like Word BEFORE you begin the online application. Then, you can copy and paste or attach the essay response into the online application (make sure if you copy and paste you check the formatting in the online application).

Submit all attachments that are a required part of the application including your most recent grade card from this school year. You will be required to upload/attach a copy or image of your grade report from the school year, including both fall and spring semesters. (If you recently finished the school year and haven't received your grade card yet, then submit your the grades that you can access from your online school portal.

Parents/Guardians must also complete the LEAD UP Parent/Guardian Consent and Approval Form by the application deadline.

Application Form for Returning Applicants:

21. What is your full name?

22. Current Grade in School: What is the highest grade you have ALREADY completed/finished in school?

- ☐ Eighth
☐ Ninth
☐ Tenth
☐ Eleventh
☐ Twelfth

Home Mailing Address:

23a. Street:

23b. City:

23c. State:

23d. Zip Code:

24a. Home Phone:

24b. Cell Phone:

25. Email Address

26a. What was your GPA (grade point average) for the last school year that ended in May 2016?

26b. Please upload a copy of your grade card.

Essay Questions:**27. Essay for Returning Applicants:****Who are You?**

Provide a well-written response to tell us some background information about yourself. Develop the essay using appropriate sentences and paragraph structure. You are recommended to type your response first in a Word or another document and then copy and paste it into the online survey. (Note: After you copy and paste it into the online application, check the formatting to ensure the online format looks right.)

Why is LEAD UP Important to You?

What changes have you noticed in yourself, including your attitudes/perceptions and behaviors, after you started participating in the LEAD UP program. Why do you want to continue to participate in LEAD UP for another year?

What are your Goals and Progress?

Tell us what your goals are for yourself. What are your goals within the next one year, five years and ten years?

What goals did you set at LEAD UP on last year that you have worked to improve since your last KU visit? What goals did you set last year at LEAD UP that you need to continue working on? What do you see yourself doing or becoming after high school? Have your goals changed any in the past year regarding what you want to do after high school?

What are you most proud of that you've accomplished in the past year?

What are your experiences with LEAD UP?

Talk about your involvement with the LEAD UP program, the parts of the program that you find most helpful. What do you remember most from LEAD UP on last year? What are your thoughts or ideas for how to improve or further enhance the program.

What supports/resources do you think would be helpful to you to receive from the LEAD UP program on this year?

Indicate at least two or more resources, supports, and/or topics that you would like to receive this year to help you make decisions or prepare academically and professionally for your future.

Essay Response: Upload your essay as a Word document.

28. What are the top three careers that interest you the most? (E.g. Animator; Illustrator; Writer)

Career 1

(If you don't know enter "Don't Know.")

Career 2

(If you don't know enter "Don't Know.")

Career 3

(If you don't know enter "Don't Know.")

29. Do you have a resume?

☐ Yes

☐ No

29a. Please upload your resume.

Additional Information

30a. Do you have any health concerns that LU program staff should be aware? (Please identify allergies (to include foods), health problems, medications, or other concerns):

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

30b. If yes, please tell us about any health concerns:

31. Do you currently have an active LinkedIn Account?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

31a. What is your LinkedIn username?

Youth Permission Form

This page is required to be completed by any youth interested in participating in the program. It includes required youth group consent sections required by KU, for if you are invited to participate in the program.

32. Photo Release: Agreement by the subject to confer rights to use photograph(s) and/or video(s) by the University of Kansas?

Please select all that apply.

- ☐ I give my consent for my photograph or video taken this day to be used by the LEAD UP program partners and the University of Kansas in any way related to the publicity programs of this organization.
- ☐ The participant wishes to be emailed a complimentary copy of his/her still photograph. If yes, we will use the email address indicated on the application form.
- ☐ Permission is granted on the condition that the subject not be identified whenever the photograph is published.
- ☐ I am over 18 years of age.
- ☐ I am a minor, younger than 18 years of age.
- ☐ I do not give my consent for a photograph or video taken at the LEAD UP Summer Camp to be used by the LEAD UP program partners and the University of Kansas in any way related to the publicity programs of this organization.

33. Disclaimer: The group and sponsor organizations and its leaders, directors, officers, employees, contractors, agents, volunteers, members and representatives, are not responsible for any injury, loss or damage of any kind whatsoever sustained by any person or their property while participating in events, activities or travel with the group and all related activities associated with the group, including injury, loss or damage.

- ☐ Yes, I agree.
- ☐ No, I do not agree.

34. Assumption Of Risks: IN CONSIDERATION OF the group allowing me to participate in events, activities, or travel and all related activities associated with the group, including participation in meetings, events, and all activities related to the group (collectively referred to as the "Activities"), I acknowledge that I am aware of the possible Risks, Dangers and Hazards associated with participation in the Activities including the possible risk of severe or fatal injury to myself or others.

- ☐ Yes, I agree.
- ☐ No, I do not agree.

35. Release of Liability and Agreement: IN CONSIDERATION OF the group allowing me or my child to participate in the Activities, I agree on behalf of myself and/or my child:

1. TO ASSUME and ACCEPT ALL RISKS arising out of, associated with or related to my or my child's participation in the Activities.
2. TO WAIVE and RELEASE the group and any partnering organizations or institutions (University of Kansas) from any and all liability for any loss, damage, injury or expense that I or my child may suffer, or that my next of kin may suffer as a result of my or my child's participation in the activities due to any cause whatsoever.
3. TO INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS the group and any partnering organizations or institutions (University of Kansas) from any and all liability for any damage to the personal property of, or personal injury to, any third party resulting from my or my child's participation in the activities.
4. TO INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS the group and any partnering organizations or institutions (University of Kansas) from any and all claims, demands, actions and costs for any loss, injury, damage or expense whatsoever that might arise out of my or my child's participation in the Activities.

- ☐ Yes, I agree to statements 1, 2, 3 & 4 stated above.
- ☐ No, I do not agree with at least one of the statements 1, 2, 3, or 4 above.

36. I, the undersigned Participant, voluntarily agree to participate in the Activity and will abide by the rules and expectations for participation in the activity. I understand that I am responsible to act in a safe and responsible fashion, to follow the instructions or directions of the persons in charge of the Youth Group and/or Activity, and to obey requests to comply with safety regulations as directed by the persons in charge of the Youth Group, including designated leaders, adult volunteers, and drivers of private or public transportation. I will be solely responsible for myself, will wear a seat-belt when available and will not disturb or distract the driver when using private or public transportation to travel to and from Youth Group activities. At all Youth Group sports events or other activities, I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to obtain and wear appropriate safety equipment. I will not endanger the safety of others or myself at any activities, outings or sports events of the Youth Group or when using private or public transportation for travel to and from such activities. I also understand that I may be photographed or appear in video for such purposes as deemed necessary.

- ☐ Yes, I agree.
☐ No, I do not agree.

37. KU Facility and Housing Policies:

In order to participate in the LEAD UP Summer Academy and to use campus facilities, including staying in the dorms, using the food hall, and other amenities, The University of Kansas requires participants in the program to follow certain policies and regulations to protect and promote educational activity, maintain order, and manage behavior affecting the freedom and privacy of others. The University has the authority to establish and enforce campus and housing policies and regulations, consistent with applicable statutes and Board of Regents policies.

Obedience to the applicable laws, policy, procedures, and conduct rules of the University is expected of all residents, visitors, and guests. Acts contrary to federal, state, or local laws, and university regulations such as, but not limited to, sex offenses, gambling, possession and/or use of illegal drugs and/or controlled substances, theft, and disruption constitute violations of policy. Recognition of the personal and property rights of others is expected of residents, visitors, and guests. Weapons are prohibited in all Student Housing facilities. All facilities are alcohol-free and smoke-free. If any of these terms are violated, the youth(s) involved will be asked to immediately leave and parents/guardians are responsible for promptly picking up the youth from the summer academy (without any money returned if the youth did not complete the summer academy).

- ☐ Yes, I understand and agree to abide by KU campus policies.
☐ No, I do not agree to abide by KU campus policies.

38. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A LEGAL AGREEMENT that is binding upon myself and my heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT and I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT by completing this agreement voluntarily (selecting the box), I am agreeing to abide by its terms and I am waiving certain legal rights that my child or I may have.

This Consent, Authorization and Acknowledgment shall be effective from the date this form is completed. I also understand by signing my name in the box below I am verifying that I am a youth who is interested in this program and will abide by the terms of this agreement.

- ☐ Yes, I agree.
☐ No, I do not agree.

38a. Please check this box to confirm and verify you have the permission of your parent(s)/legal guardian(s) to participate in the program.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

38b. Enter the name of your parent(s)/guardian(s) who provided permission for you to participate in the program and will complete the Parent/Guardian consent form.

38c. Youth Signature:

39. Application Checklist: Select all that you have completed.

- ☐ I have complete the online application in its entirety.
- ☐ I have completed the essay requirement as a part of the application.
- ☐ I have attached/uploaded a copy of my grade card for both spring and fall semesters or the past school year.
- ☐ My parent(s)/guardian(s) have completed the "Parent Consent" application form.
- ☐ I understand that the cost for LEAD UP Summer Academy program participation on this year is \$160 and must be paid in full to the LU program prior to the start of the summer academy (can provide payment when first arrive at the camp). If you are experiencing a financial hardship, you may contact the LU program or comment below to discuss, but there is no guarantee that financial assistance can be provided.

39a. Comment about Program Participation and/or Financial Need/Subsidy

40. Date this consent form was completed by the student:
