



## NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM ON COLLEGIATE SUCCESS

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The National Youth Leadership Forum on Collegiate Success (NYLF/CS) is a three-day residential program that takes place in 18 locations nationwide. The Forum invites promising 10th through 12th grade students to learn the skills necessary to master the critical transition from high school to college. Through workshops, seminars and other forum activities, scholars will develop their communication and conflict resolution skills; understand financial responsibility, credit cards, loans and debt; master time and stress management skills; and create personal plans and timelines for their futures.

### CURRICULUM

The Forum begins with an important and valuable skills assessment exercise that scholars will utilize to discover their true strengths, passions, interests and beliefs. Students then focus on developing the natural talents that they already possess. Seminars focus on themes, such as self-identification, self-direction and motivation, which will help students make life-changing decisions.

Scholars also attend a series of workshops that are designed to help them achieve long and short term goals, enhance interpersonal and communications skills, acquire a sense of financial responsibility, make intentional decisions, form a network of supporters and master time management skills.

Forum on Collegiate Success scholars focus on understanding contemporary leadership, achieving balance, cultivating study habits and managing stress. The Forum on Collegiate Success concludes with scholars designing a comprehensive academic, financial and career plan and timeline for their futures and defending their plans in thesis form to peers and faculty advisors.

### BACKGROUND

**About NYLF** — The National Youth Leadership Forum is an educational organization founded to help prepare young people with scholastic merit and strong leadership potential for their future academic and professional careers. Its mission is to inspire young people with the confidence to make well-informed educational and career choices. In addition to collegiate success, NYLF also offers high school programs in the areas of national security, law and medicine. Since its founding in 1992, over 100,000 students have attended NYLF programs. More information on NYLF and its programs can be found at [www.nyflf.org](http://www.nyflf.org).

**Participants** — The Forum on Collegiate Success enrolls college-bound sophomores, juniors and seniors from diverse backgrounds who possess academic promise and leadership potential. Students are nominated to attend the program by educators, youth organization advisors, NYLF alumni and through classroom surveys.

**Funding** — The National Youth Leadership Forum is funded through student tuition. Students who require financial assistance may request a copy of the Forum's Student Fundraising Guide to help raise funds in order to earn their way to the Forum. NYLF also awards a limited number of competitive scholarships based upon financial need, scholastic merit, leadership achievements and other factors.

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