

#### FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT™ FOR HEALTHY LIVING FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

# THE KING LEADERSHIP CAMP

## The King Leadership Camp is

- A powerful three-year long youth leadership development program hosted by Camp St. Croix consisting of summer sessions and fall and spring weekend retreats.
- Intended for youth who for social, economic, or cultural reasons would not otherwise attend camp.
- 100% free for every participant, including transportation, housing, and food.

## **Criteria for Participation**

- A desire to take on leadership roles in their schools, families, and communities.
- A commitment to long-term program participation; our goal is that all participants return for three years and graduate from the program.
- New participants begin their KLC with a summer session, at which time they must be entering 8th or 9th grade.

#### **Application Process**

- Participants must be recommended by a teacher, social worker, or other adult mentor (an "advocate").
- New participants complete the application/ registration while their advocate completes the recommendation form. The advocate or a parent/guardian sends the application materials in to Camp St. Croix, either physically or as an email attachment.
- The participant, the advocate, and the parent/ guardian will receive notification of their application status after we review the two forms.

# 2016 - 2017 Sessions

**Summer Camp.** Our foundational one or two week camp sessions at Camp St. Croix.

- New Participants: June 26-July 1 or July 3-8, 2016.
- 2nd year participants: July 3-8, 2016.
- 3rd year participants: June 19–July 1, 2016

**Fall Retreat.** Our service trip, focusing on forest and trail maintenance, to YMCA Camp duNord near Ely, Minnesota.

• All Participants: October 7-9, 2016.

**Spring Retreat.** Community Service work done at Camp St. Croix and our graduation ceremony for third year participants.

• All Participants: April 28-30, 2017.

#### **Primary Contact**

Feel free to contact John Bussey, program director at YMCA Camp St. Croix with questions.

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#### Thanks

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