



## Lourdes Academy 5-12 School

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Dear Class of 2025,

We are proud to invite you to participate in the “Tomorrow’s Leaders Program.” This program recognizes high school students who have a commitment to academic excellence, demonstrate leadership potential, live their faith, and engage in service to the community. This merit-based program will award a renewable \$500 scholarship to ten members and provide students programming that focuses on developing leadership potential.

To apply for the program, students need to complete the following application process by Thursday, April 1 at 3:30 PM

- Complete the Tomorrow’s Leaders Program application form online. A paper copy is attached to review what is asked,
  - <https://forms.gle/vjGSUN5qhieERXBz7>
- Submit two reference forms that are completed by teachers, coaches, priest or minister, supervisors, or family friends
  - Digital: <https://forms.gle/bRbGZYSYMkW9Tf4Z8>
  - Paper is attached to this document.
- Write a leadership essay of no more than 750 words - Can email separate to Mr. Mikesell [dmikesell@lourdes.today](mailto:dmikesell@lourdes.today)
- Participate in a short interview as scheduled by Lourdes Academy after Spring Break.

If selected for the Tomorrow’s Leaders Program, students will be expected to abide by the following criteria:

- Participate in monthly leadership training (outside the regular school day)
- Demonstrate academic success by maintaining a grade point average of 3.25 or above
- Follow the LAW (Lourdes Academy Way)
- Actively participate in Sunday Mass or a worship service in one’s religious community
- Complete a service learning project as part of the program

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mr. Mikesell at [dmikesell@lourdes.today](mailto:dmikesell@lourdes.today).

Live Jesus in our Hearts,

Mr. David Mikesell  
Principal  
Lourdes Academy



**Tomorrow's Leaders Program Application  
2021-2022 School Year**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle School GPA : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish/ Church: \_\_\_\_\_

***On additional sheets of paper, please complete and submit the following information.***

1. Please list **and** describe all extra-curricular activities you participated in during middle school (grades 6-8), including athletics, clubs, music and the arts, and civic organizations.
2. Please list **and** describe your volunteer and service participation.
3. Choose one of the following essays and write an essay of 750 words or less:
  - a. Define *leadership* and describe a person who exemplifies the idea.
  - b. Ralph Waldo Emerson once wrote "Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." Describe a time when you created your own path.
  - c. Author Bill George wrote a leadership book entitled "Finding Your True North." In it, he suggested that the best leaders must know what it is that drives them to be leaders, the core value that makes the person motivated to change the world. He calls this core value one's "True North." What is your "True North?" How do you know?
  - d. Kobe Bryant said "'Once you know what failure feels like, determination chases success.'" What does this quote mean to you? Describe a failure you experienced and how you overcame it.
  - e. How has COVID-19 changed the way you view leadership? Who was a shining example for you in this?
4. Submit two reference forms from teachers, advisors, coaches, parish priest/minister, supervisors, or family friends.

**Please submit all application materials by Thursday, April 1 to:**

**Mr. David Mikesell**

**Principal**

**Lourdes Academy**



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## TOMORROW'S LEADERS – REFERENCE FORM

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the applicant on the following by checking the appropriate boxes:

Compared to other students at the same level, I would rank this applicant in the top:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1%      \_\_\_\_\_ 5%      \_\_\_\_\_ 10%      \_\_\_\_\_ 25%      \_\_\_\_\_ 50%

Please provide a brief statement about what makes this person a good candidate for a leadership scholarship and program.

Name of Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

Please return reference form by Thursday, April 1 to the student or mail to:

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