



A Partnership Between:



YOUTH FOR UNITED WAY

A program of United Way of Rutherford & Cannon Counties

WHAT IS YOUTH FOR UNITED WAY?

Youth for United Way is a junior board of directors comprised of Junior and Senior level high school students in the Rutherford and Cannon County school systems. Youth for United Way has 3 components: Leadership, Volunteerism, and Fundraising. The youth board gives students the opportunity to broaden their knowledge of the nonprofit community, develop leadership skills, and expand their community involvement and volunteer service.

HOW ARE STUDENTS SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN YOUTH FOR UNITED WAY?

All interested students are required to complete an application which is due back to United Way on April 18, 2008. The application consists of a written essay and a panel interview by local community leaders and United Way officials. 15 – 25 students will be selected dependent upon qualifications outlined in the application.

WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT?

Students are required to attend one meeting per month, complete 6 hours of community service per month, and participate in a group project.

WHAT IS THE COST?

There is currently no cost to the student to participate in Youth for United Way. The program is offered through the generous sponsorships of United Way partners.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO THE STUDENT BOARD MEMBER?

Each student will have the opportunity to expand his/her leadership skills, work in a group project setting, and to volunteer at area nonprofits. In addition, a \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded each year to a student in the program.

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA TO APPLY?

To be eligible for Youth for United Way candidates must:

- Be an upcoming Junior or Senior
- Live and attend school in Rutherford or Cannon County (public or private)
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.5
- Complete the application including essay portion
- Participate in a panel interview by community leaders
- Provide 3 references

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION DEADLINE AND HOW DO I APPLY?

The deadline for the Fall 2008 is April 18, 2008. You can pick up an application from your guidance office or from United Way at 836 Commercial Court in Murfreesboro.

WHEN WILL I FIND OUT IF I HAVE BEEN SELECTED FOR THE PROGRAM?

Notification of acceptance into the program will be sent within 3 weeks after the application deadline. For the Fall 2008 program, all applicants will be notified of their status by the end of May 2008.



TIMELINE

March 11 th	Applications distributed in schools
April 18 th	Applications due at United Way by 5pm
May 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	Panel Interviews
May 5 th	Notification of Acceptance
May 13 th	Informational meeting for Parents & Students
Summer 2008	Social for Students
August 2008	Program Begins