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2012 NJASC LEADERSHIP TRAINING CONFERENCE

Session 1: July 11-14, 2012
Session 2: July 15-18, 2012

On behalf of the New Jersey Association of Student Councils we welcome you to the 2012 NJASC LEADERSHIP TRAINING CONFERENCE – our 57th year of training student leaders and the fifth at our new home, The College of New Jersey! We hope you will take an active part in the conference activities because we want you to develop and practice positive leadership qualities. Here is some information for you and your parents regarding LTC:

1. **LTC is held at The College of New Jersey in Ewing Township, NJ.** Directions to The College of New Jersey from all over the state are available on the NJASC website at www.njasc.org. You will be staying in an air-conditioned townhouse with eight delegates, a Junior Counselor and a Senior Counselor. The townhouses do have beds but you will need to bring your own pillows, blankets, sheets, or a sleeping bag. You should also bring soap, shampoo, towels and any other shower needs.
2. **Delegates are expected to dress sensibly and appropriately for LTC.** Many activities are held outside, so warm weather clothing is a must. However, clothing inappropriate for school (such as see through tops, bare midriffs, short shorts, etc.) is also inappropriate for LTC. Therefore, please leave at home any clothing prohibited by your school dress code. It gets cool in the evening and all indoor venues are air conditioned, so bring a jacket and sweatshirt. Since many events are held in the evening you will also NEED A FLASHLIGHT! A checklist of things to bring is posted on the NJASC website at www.njasc.org.
3. **One of the highlights of LTC is the special dinner and dance on the last night.** Everyone dresses up for this event so casual dresses are in order for the girls, shirt and tie (jacket optional) for the boys. Jeans and sneakers are discouraged for this special dinner.
4. **We all play a major role in providing our entertainment.** Guitar players bring your guitars, band members bring your instruments, and singers bring your voices and music. If you have talents in art, comedy, theatrics, dance, or any other areas get ready to use them!
5. **There will be a wide variety of activities designed to improve your leadership skills.** Be sure to bring writing implements. To help you and your school get the full benefits of LTC, we also recommend that you bring any of your school materials you would like to share, such as your Constitution, calendar, as well as information about interesting and effective projects.
6. **In order to avoid embarrassment, please remember that we DO NOT have facilities to accommodate parents for meals.** If your parents are coming to pick you up on the last day of LTC, remind them that the conference will end promptly at 1:15 p.m.
7. **School rules apply at LTC!** Smoking is not permitted anywhere within the facilities we will be using for the conference. All clothing should be appropriate – anything that would violate your school dress code should not be worn at LTC. Also, portable electronic devices (such as hand held games, iPods) may only be used during scheduled recreation time and in the townhouses. They should NOT be brought to classes and other LTC activities.

2011 NJASC STATE OFFICERS

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8. **Cell phones.** Cell phones must be TURNED OFF (not just placed on vibrate) during all classes and other LTC activities, and should not be in view. These restrictions include text, picture, or video messaging as well as receiving or making regular calls. Cell phones may only be used during scheduled recreation time and in the townhouses. If your parents need to call in case of emergency and cannot reach you directly they should call either of our Executive Directors, whose cell phone numbers are listed below:

- Wendy Booth Sitzler, NJASC Executive Director (609) 367-4176
- Lou Miller, NJASC Executive Director (609) 980-8741

In case of a MAJOR emergency, your parents may also call one of the TCNJ office numbers listed below:

- TCNJ Guest Services (609) 637-5507
- TCNJ Campus Police (609) 771-2167

9. **LTC shirts, souvenirs, and snacks will be on sale throughout the conference.** Twenty-five to fifty dollars should be sufficient to buy one to all of the items. Photos and the LTC Video will also be available for purchase and order. Snacks can be purchased at the LTC Conference store, and the TCNJ Student Bookstore will also be open throughout the conference.

10. **Medical concerns.** There will be a full-time nurse present at LTC. If you or your parents have medical concerns in advance of LTC, please send them to LTCnurse@njasc.org before Monday July 9. If medical concerns arise during either session of LTC, your parents should call one of the Executive Directors and they will contact the nurse.

Delegates must arrive between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 11 for Session 1 or on Sunday July 15 for Session 2. It is important to start on time, so please plan to arrive during that time period. NO ONE WILL BE ADMITTED LATE OR ALLOWED TO LEAVE EARLY. IF A DELEGATE FAILS TO APPEAR FOR WHATEVER REASON, THE SCHOOL WILL NOT RECEIVE A REFUND. IT IS UP TO THE DELEGATE TO INFORM HIS/HER ADVISOR THAT HE/SHE WILL NOT BE ATTENDING AND IF A REPLACEMENT CAN BE FOUND. Since both NJASC offices will be closed during the conference, the latest time to notify the NJASC about any concern regarding LTC will be **4:00 p.m. on Monday July 9.** If you have to reach us, please call Executive Directors Wendy Booth Sitzler or Lou Miller at the phone numbers listed below.

Come prepared to have a great time, meet fascinating new people, and learn many worthwhile things about leadership that you can take back to your school.

See You There!!!



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