



Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program **Laos**

Student Application

Program date is April 5-30, 2016

Application Deadline: **December 10, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.**

Program Description: Secondary school students and educators from Laos are invited to apply for participation in the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program. The program will employ a highly interactive approach both in workshops and in a range of public and community settings. Through engagement in the activities of U.S. high schools, community organizations, youth groups, and community leaders in each location, the student and adult participants study challenges facing the U.S. and ASEAN in the 21st century.

The program will be intensive, academic, and highly interactive. The program sponsors seek energetic applicants who are ready to develop their skills in order to be effective leaders in their schools and communities.

Students who may apply are those who:

- Will be at least 15 years old and not more than 17 years old by April 5, 2016.
- Have a high school graduation year of 2016 or later
- Have strong English skills
- Have permission from both parent(s)/guardian(s) and schools to participate in the entire program.

Instructions for completing this application: Please fill out the application as completely as possible, in English. The information you provide on this application will provide the basis for selecting semi-finalists for this program. Answer the questions carefully and completely.

Applications must be submitted in two hard copies (one origin and make one more copy) and must be submitted to the Public Diplomacy Section, U.S. Embassy, Ban. Somvang, KM9, Thadeua Road, Vientiane, Laos. Please submit no later than *5pm on December 10, 2015*. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for the interview. Please send your questions to email: USGScholarshipsLaos@state.gov. or Tel: 021 48 7055 regarding the application and selection process.

This Application is free of charge and may be duplicated.

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About you:

Last (Family) Name _____

First Name _____

Middle Name _____

Nickname _____

Male _____ Female _____ How old will you be on April 5, 2016? _____

Birth date: Day _____ Month _____ Year _____

Address _____

City, Postal Code _____

Mobile Phone _____

Email _____

City and Country of Birth _____

Country of citizenship or permanent legal residence _____

About your family:

Parent or guardian name(s) _____

Address (if different from yours) _____

Father/Guardian: Mobile Phone _____ Email _____

Mother/Guardian: Mobile Phone _____ Email _____

Brother(s)/Sister(s)

Name	Gender	Age	Occupation
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About your education:

School name _____

School address _____

City, Postal code _____

Current grade _____ Year you will graduate _____

How many years have you studied English? _____

Do you speak any other languages besides your native language and English? Which ones?

About your academic and community interests:

Academic subjects you are most interested in: _____

Please describe the activities (extracurricular, community, hobbies) in which you have participated, how long you have been involved with each, any awards or honors. Use additional space as needed.

Future studies and/or possible occupations you've considered: _____

Do you think your country's membership in ASEAN affects your daily life?

More about you:

Do you have a valid passport? _____

If yes: Issuing Country _____

Passport Number _____ Expiration Date (day/month/year) _____

Have you ever lived and/or studied in the United States or in another country? _____

If yes: Where, when, why? _____

Applicant signature:

All information in this application is accurate and true

_____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian signature(s):

I permit my child to apply for and, if selected, to participate in this program.

_____ Date _____

_____ Date _____

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Reference

For the Applicant: Below, fill in your name and give this form to a teacher or other adult outside your family who knows you well. The form needs to be in English. Ask the reference to fill out the form and return it to email: USGScholarshipsLaos@state.gov. or send to the Public Diplomacy Section, U.S. Embassy, Ban. Somvang, KM9, Thadeua Road, Vientiane, Laos.

Applicant Name _____

For the Reference: The student named above is applying to take part in the Southeast Asia Youth Leadership Program, a three-week exchange program in the United States for students and teachers. The selected students will be in a challenging academic environment and intensive leadership training. To succeed, the participants must be highly motivated, and be able to adjust to living and working with people of different social and cultural backgrounds. We value your honest assessment of the applicant in helping us select the most appropriate participants. If you would like to add additional comments, we encourage you to do so. Your answers will remain confidential.

Please indicate your opinion of this applicant's ability to meet the challenges of this program

- _____ I strongly recommend this student
- _____ I recommend this student
- _____ I have minor reservations about recommending this applicant
- _____ I have major reservations about recommending this applicant
- _____ I do not recommend this student

How long, and in what context or capacity, have you known this applicant?

What are the applicant's strengths?

What are the academic or personal areas in which this applicant needs improvement?

Please describe the applicant's behavior or attitude with respect to authority, peer relationships, responsibility, and work activities.

Do you think the applicant would adapt well to unfamiliar environments and new situations? Why or why not?

Name (printed) _____

Signature _____ Date _____