



## 2012 Youth Leadership Program with Southeast Asia Laos

### Student Application

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**Application Deadline:** September 24, 2012

**Program date:** October 28 to November 19, 2012

**Program Description:** Students and educators are invited to apply for participation in the Youth Leadership Program with Southeast Asia. Formal exchange activities will include workshops, interactive sessions, simulations, leadership training, and team-building exercises. Each week there will be special integrative sessions to review and synthesize newly acquired knowledge, skills, and values. Workshops will cover U.S. approaches to civil society and citizen action; social entrepreneurship and volunteer service; diversity, tolerance, and conflict resolution; and networking with local NGOs, businesses, and governmental institutions. Extracurricular activities will round out the program with volunteer service opportunities as well as interactive site visits with relevant organizations in the host communities.

The adult participants will have special sessions with their peers designed to help the adult's foster leadership and civic education programs at home. Participants will have home stays with American families in California and Washington, D.C.

### **Students who may apply are those who:**

- Will be at least 15 years old and not more than 17 years old during the program
- May be high school or first year college students
- Have good English skills, sufficient for understanding academic discussion and everyday social interactions
- Have permission from both parents and schools to participate in the entire program.

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

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Applications should be submitted to:

**Student Advising Service/Information Resource Center  
Public Diplomacy Section, U.S. Embassy, Vientiane, Laos.**

Questions regarding the application and selection process should be addressed to:

**Tel: 856-21-26 7000 Ext. 7089 and 7263. Email: [lao\\_educationusa@state.gov](mailto:lao_educationusa@state.gov)**

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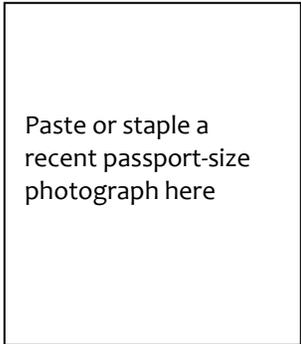
**About you:**

Last (Family) Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname \_\_\_\_\_



Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

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: Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mother: Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Brothers/Sisters

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?

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**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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Can you identify a specific issue or problem affecting your school, neighborhood, or community? What might you do to help resolve this problem?



Is there anything else you would like us to know about you?

**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 or guardian signatures:**

I permit my son/daughter 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. Ask the reference to fill out the form and return it.

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

**For the Reference:** The student named above is applying to take part in a the Youth Leadership Program with Southeast Asia, a 25-day 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, have you known this applicant?

What are the applicant's strengths?

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

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

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

Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_