

DIAA STUDENT
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
APPLICATION



DIAA – *“Education through Athletics”*

TO: Athletic Directors, DIAA Member High School

FROM: Kevin Charles, Executive Director

RE: DIAA Student Leadership Conference Selection Procedure and Criteria

The DIAA Board of Directors has to approved the DIAA Student Leadership Conference to be held in Lewes, Delaware. Due to space limitations attendance is limited to 40 student delegates and 10 adult delegates. The conference is held on the first weekend in August and begins on Friday, at 3:00 p.m., and concludes on Sunday, at 11:30 a.m. DIAA will pay the registration fee (includes all meals, two nights lodging at the University of Delaware, Virden Conference Center for the attendees. The student and adult delegates will be responsible for all miscellaneous expenses. Described below is the selection procedure, including criteria, for the student and adult attendees.

1. Four (4) student delegates will be chosen from each conference and (2) additional student delegates will be selected from the previous year's recipients of the DIAA Sportsmanship Award. The aforementioned conferences are Blue Hen "A", Blue Hen "B", Catholic (including Salesianum School), Independent (excluding Westtown School), Henlopen North, Henlopen South, and Diamond State.
 - a. Each conference will submit to the selection committee the names of 6 candidates who should be ranked #1 - #6 in order of preference. At least 2 candidates must be males and at least 2 candidates must be females.
 1. Each candidate must be a varsity letter winner.
 2. Each candidate must be a rising 10th, 11th or 12th grader.
 3. Each candidate must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 with no failing grades since first entering the 9th grade.
 4. Each candidate must be a team captain or captain-elect, a student government officer or representative, a class officer, a club officer, an honor society officer, an editor of a school publication, or must hold some other recognized leadership position within the school.
2. The selection committee will most likely accept the conference's #1 through #4 ranked candidates but may, in some cases, choose the #5 and #6 ranked candidate to ensure that the overall makeup of the group is representative of the student bodies of the member schools. The committee will also pick six (6) at large student representatives that may come from any school or

conference. So please encourage entries because we hope all schools will reap the benefits of this conference.

3. Ten (10) adult delegates will be chosen, one adult delegate from each of the aforementioned conferences are eligible to submit names and one additional adult delegate eligible to be selected from the previous year's DIAA Sportsmanship Award winners.
 - a. Each conference will submit to the selection committee the names of three candidates who should be ranked #1 and #2 in order of preference. One candidate must be a male and one candidate must be a female.
 - 1) Each adult candidate must be a principal or assistant principal, a dean of students, an athletic director or assistant athletic director, a guidance counselor, a certified coach, a class advisor, a student government advisor, a club advisor, or an honor society advisor.
 - 2) Each adult candidate must be employed by one of the schools represented by the three (3) adult candidates.
4. The selection committee will most likely choose the #1 ranked candidates but there may be at large candidates chosen to make the total ten. **Adults should be made aware that accommodations are two to a room**
5. The student and adult candidates must complete the enclosed application form but are not required to write the 200-word essay unless the conference is using it to select and/or rank their candidates.
6. Please emphasize to all of the student and adult candidates that they must make a commitment to attend the conference if they are selected. DIAA is making a significant financial commitment to enable the student and adult delegates to attend a leadership conference that will include participants from every county and conference and should be an enjoyable and productive experience. In as much as many of the costs for each attendee will be paid by DIAA in advance, it is imperative that the student and adult delegates are committed to attending and participating in the conference activities.
7. The deadline for submitting the names of students and adult candidates is the second Friday in April.
8. DIAA and the SLC Director will select six student delegates from those nominated to attend the NFHS National Student Leadership Conference. Three students will be selected from the State Champion in Sportsmanship and three (one from each county) the remaining member schools. Students selected for the National must commit to both conferences.

Please call the DIAA office (302-857-3365) if you have any questions regarding the DIAA Leadership Conference.

ADULT DELEGATE APPLICATION

(Please Print)

First and Last Name

School Name

Home Address

School Address

City State Zip

City State Zip

Home Telephone Number

School Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Principal's Name

Describe the activities you supervise, coach or advise.

In 200 words or less, on an attached sheet, please answer the following question.

What does developing citizenship skills through sports and activities mean to you and how do you put your beliefs into practice in your school and community?

If I am selected as one of the adult delegates, I agree to attend the DIAA Leadership Conference in Lewes, Delaware.

Signature _____ Date _____

STUDENT DELEGATE APPLICATION

(Please Print)

Student's First and Last Name

School Name

Student's Home Address

School Address

City State Zip

City State Zip

Home Telephone Number

School Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Principal's Name

Parent or Guardian Name

Principal's E-mail Address

Address (If different from student)

Current grade in school

List all school and community activities you are involved in with an emphasis on leadership roles.

In 200 words or less, on an attached sheet, please answer the following questions.

- a. What does developing citizenship skills through sports and activities mean to you and how do you put your beliefs into practice in your school and community?

Why should you be chosen to attend the DIAA Leadership Conference?

If I am selected as one of the student delegates, I agree to attend the Leadership Conference in Lewes, Delaware.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

STUDENT HEALTH HISTORY/CONSENT FOR TREATMENT

Student Last Name _____ First Name _____

Home Address _____

Home Telephone Number _____ Sex ____ Date of Birth _____ Age ____

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian _____

Mother Telephone Number – Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Father Telephone Number – Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Emergency Telephone Number (Other than parent/guardian) Name _____

Relation to Student _____

Family Physician _____ Physician Phone Number _____

Insurance Company _____ Group Plan Number _____

Policy Number _____ Insurance Benefit Code _____

Does the student have any special physical needs? Yes No If yes, please explain:

Does the student have any special dietary needs? Yes No If yes, please explain:

Is student allergic to any drugs? (e.g. penicillin, insulin) _____

Is student allergic to bee stings? _____ Can student take antihistamines? _____

Is student currently under any medical treatment? (please explain) _____

Medication student is currently taking (includes antihistamines, anti-convulsives, tranquilizers, insulin, etc.)

Any special health problems? (Past and Present) _____

List operations within the past year _____

Emotional problems (e.g. hyperventilation, hysteria, depression, etc.) _____

This document will be retained in confidence by the Leadership Conference Medical Director

“I hereby give permission for the above named student to be treated by a physician or licensed nurse at a hospital or on the scene in the event of a medical or surgical emergency.”

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

CODE OF CONDUCT

Student Name _____ **School** _____

Date of Activity _____ **Location** _____

I, the undersigned student leader, do hereby agree:

To abide by all the rules and regulations set forth by the Delaware Interscholastic Athletic Association, the Adult Delegates, and all adult supervisors.

To waive and release any and all rights and claims for any damages I may have against the DIAA, and any other employee of the DIAA for any injuries arising from my participation in this activity.

To accept responsibility for my behavior so that it does not reflect discredit on my school, my state association, or myself.

To use no tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs at the Conference.

To treat all student and adult delegates with respect and dignity.

I understand that if I break any of the rules of the Conference that I will be sent home immediately at my own expense, after the DIAA has made arrangements with my parent/legal guardian.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Printed Name _____

I, the parent/guardian of the above signed student, understand the obligations accepted by my son/daughter as outlined above and give my consent for his/her participation in Leadership Conference. I do further release the DIAA, sponsors of this conference, and any other employee of said organizations from any claim for damages incurred by the said student that might be a direct or indirect outgrowth of his/her participation in this conference.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

To be submitted with Student Delegate Application no later than second Friday in April to:

DIAA, 35 Commerce Way, Suite 1, Dover, DE 19904.

