

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please type or print. Only completed applications will be considered, and must include:

1. Applicant's Submittal. Fill out completely
2. A recommendation from your principal, counselor, or a current teacher who knows your capabilities best. Recommendations **SHOULD be submitted in sealed envelope as part of application or can be submitted at this link: [RECOMMENDATION LINK](#)**

### CALENDAR

**Application Deadline**  
April 10, 2026

**Team Building Retreat**  
August 8, 2026

**September Session**  
September 14, 2026

**October Session**  
October 13, 2026

**November Session**  
November 3, 2026

**January Session**  
January 7, 2027

**February Session**  
February 4, 2027

**March Session**  
March 3, 2027

**Graduation/End of Year  
Celebration**  
March 30, 2027

*\*Dates subject to change*

### Our Goals:

- Identify high school students who are leaders or have demonstrated leadership potential.
- Give young people the knowledge, tools, and contacts to shape successful leaders.
- Instill and nurture a sense of social responsibility in our youth.
- Offer a forum for young leaders to express their needs, goals, and opinions.
- Explore the diverse facets of Johns Creek, Fulton County, and Georgia's social affairs, government, and business.
- Provide participants a chance to serve their community.
- Present young leaders with a renewing and fun experience.

### Monthly Sessions Include:

- Leadership Topics and Training
- County and State Government
- Resume Building and Interview Skills
- City Management and Governance
- Working as a Team
- Project Management
- Portfolio Building
- Community Service
- Effective Communication

Completed applications must be returned to Mrs. Sanders <mailto:sanders@studentleadershipnorth.com> by April 10, 2026. School sponsors listed below for additional questions:

- **Centennial:** Daniel Blanchard
- **Chattahoochee:** Amanda Wile
- **Johns Creek:** MaryBeth Smiley
- **Northview:** Megan Ames
- **Innovation:** Wanda Moran
- **Mt. Pisgah:** Patrick Mulrennan
- **Alpharetta:** Mary Elie

Questions - Email: Irene Sanders - [sanders@studentleadershipnorth.com](mailto:sanders@studentleadershipnorth.com)

## REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROGRAM

One hundred percent (100%) attendance is required of each student. **I have compared my schedule with the Program Calendar dates attached. If I am selected, I commit to attend every one of the program sessions.**

I understand that e-mail will be the primary method of communication between the program leaders and the participants. **If I am selected, I will have an active e-mail account that I will check daily for communication about the program.**

If accepted in program, a \$475 tuition fee is required to cover materials, program expenses, and the retreat payable by May 1, 2026. The tuition fee is to be made payable to Leadership Johns Creek.

By signing (or typing name) below, I am stating that I have read the above **REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROGRAM** and agree to the **REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROGRAM** 100%.

**If you applied to SLNorth previously, indicate that here and ONLY ANSWER PERSONAL INFORMATION PAGE AND SUBMIT. Only answer questions if you have not applied previously to SLNorth.**

Y  N

I understand that I must complete the Applicant's submittal portion of this by myself, and state that no one else has completed the application on my behalf.

YES  NO

Signature of Applicant:

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Signature of  
Parent/Guardian:

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## **AI USE AND ACADEMIC INTEGRITY – Read Carefully**

As future leaders, we value transparency and ethical decision-making. Please describe if and how you used artificial intelligence tools (such as ChatGPT, Claude, Grammarly, or similar technologies) in preparing this application.

If you used AI, briefly explain:

- Which parts of your application involved AI assistance
- How you used these tools (e.g., brainstorming, editing, research)
- How you ensured the final submission authentically represents your own voice and experiences
- If you did not use AI tools, simply indicate that.

*There is no right or wrong answer to this question. We ask because we want to understand how students engage with emerging technologies and maintain authenticity in their work.*

*Recommended response 50-150 words.*



Class of 2026-27

PERSONAL INFORMATION (Please print legibly)

Full Name

Email Address

Sex:  M  F

Home Address

City

Zip

Name you prefer to be called

School:

Current Grade:

Cell Phone:

Birth date:

Disciple Violations? (if yes, describe)

Current GPA:

Y  N

Many activities including debate, robotics, sports, *Move on When Ready* and Dual Enrollment challenge student's ability to participate in programs such as Student Leadership Johns Creek.

Do you feel that you will have the time to take on the necessary time commitment of this program?

Y  N

Parent/Guardian Name:

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone:

Parent/Guardian Email:

If you applied to SLNorth previously, indicate that here and DO NOT answer questions below. Only answer questions if you have not applied previously to SLNorth.

Y  N



**ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**

Please list in order of importance to you, up to three school, volunteer, social, athletic, artistic or other activities or groups in which you have participated during the last four years:

Organization/Activity	Grade in School	Leadership Responsibility or Involvement

**WORK AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

Please list any job experience you have had, paid or volunteer, and briefly tell us more about it:

If you have a job, where?

How many hours a week do you work?

If selected, would your employer allow time off, if necessary?

Yes

No

**APPLICATION QUESTIONS:** no more than 75 words per answer.

- 1. What motivated you to apply for Student Leadership NORTH Rising Leaders, and what do you hope to gain from the experience?**
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- 2. Describe a specific experience where you demonstrated leadership skills. How has this prepared you for this program?**
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**3. How will you balance this program with your academic commitments and other activities?**

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**4. Share a current event or individual who has recently inspired you and how this relates to leadership.**

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**5. Tell us about a time you failed at something important. What did you learn?**

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**6. Share one experience about yourself that you would like us to know in our selection process?**

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## STUDENT REFERENCE

Thank you for completing this reference for a Student Leadership NORTH Rising Leaders applicant. Please limit your recommendation to the space provided on this form. Personal letters of recommendation will not be considered. Please type or PRINT this application and put in sealed envelope for student to submit with their application, or digitally submit information at the following link: [RECOMMENDATION LINK](#)

I am providing a reference for the following student  
who I recommend for participation in SLJC.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

What unfulfilled potential leadership skills do you see in this applicant?

What are the first three (3) words that come to mind that describe the applicant?

Additional comments you may want to provide: (optional)

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