STUDENT Leadership NORTH
JOHNS CREEK • ROSWELL ALPHARETTA

**Class of 2027-28**

# 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**

Centennial, Chattahoochee, Johns Creek, Northview, Mt. Pisgah, Providence Christian, Innovation Academy & Alpharetta High School

**RISING SOPHOMORES and JUNIORS**

## CALENDAR

**Application Deadline**
January 31, 2027

**Team Building Retreat**
August 7, 2027

**September Session**
September 20, 2027

**October Session**
October 18, 2027

**November Session**
November, 2027 TBD

**January Session**
January 19, 2028

**February Session**
February 10, 2028

**March Session**
March, 2028 TBD

**Group Project Presentation**
April, 2028 TBD

**Dates subject to change*

## Our Mission and Vision:

The Student Leadership NORTH (SLNorth) Program equips students with chances to acquire and implement leadership skills in their school and community. The mission of SLNorth is to foster the development of student leadership skills through various experiences.

## 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
- Shadowing Business Professionals
- Community Service
- Effective Communication

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*We encourage all interested students to apply; please note that if accepted, a very limited number of partial financial assistance opportunities, depending on need, may be available.*

Completed applications must be returned to **your school sponsor** by **January 31, 2027.** School sponsors listed below:

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| **Centennial:** | Laura Sanchez-Sore | **Innovation:** | Wanda Moran |
| **Chattahoochee:** | Amanda Wile | **Mt. Pisgah:** | Patrick Mulrennan |
| **Johns Creek:** | MaryBeth Smiley | **Providence:** | Lisa Tilley |
| **Northview:** | Megan Ames | **Alpharetta:** | Mary Elie |

**Questions: Email Irene Sanders – sanders@studentleadershipnorth.com**

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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

## 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.**

**If I am selected, I agree that I will wear casual business attire to each of the activities unless informed otherwise, out of respect for the professional establishments we will be visiting.**

I further 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 $800 tuition fee is required to cover materials, program expenses, and the retreat payable in two annual payments: $500 upon acceptance into the program and $300 by May 1, 2028. 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%.

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Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

*Type your full name to sign.*

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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.*

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## 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:

Current GPA:

Disciplinary Violations? ☐ Y ☐ N *If yes, describe:*

**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:

Signature of School Sponsor:

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## MENTORING / SHADOWING

During the program you will be asked to shadow a person in a profession you are interested in for 2-4 hours. List two professions that you might be interested in shadowing:

Choice 1: _____ Choice 2: _____

## 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 |
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## 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

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## APPLICATION QUESTIONS : no more than 50 words per answer.

1. **What motivated you to apply for Student Leadership NORTH, and what do you hope to gain from the experience?**

2. **If you had to teach a skill you possess to someone who is nothing like you, what skill would you choose and how would you bridge the gap?**

3. **Describe a specific experience or project where you demonstrated effective leadership skills, and how do you believe this experience has prepared you to be a valuable member of SLNorth?**

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4. **Describe a book, movie, or experience that had a significant impact on your worldview and why.**

5. **What is something you believe your generation understands better than adults do?**

6. **If you could have dinner with any historical figure, who would it be and why?**

7. **Share a current event or a specific individual who has recently inspired you. Explain how you might incorporate the inspiration you've drawn from this into your potential role as a member of SLNorth.**

8. **Describe a challenging situation in which you had to manage your time effectively to balance your academic commitments and your involvement in extracurricular activities. How did you handle this situation, and what strategies did you use to ensure that you met your responsibilities both in school and within your extracurricular endeavors?**

9. **Tell us about a time you failed at something you cared deeply about. What would you do differently if you could go back—and what would you keep exactly the same?**

10. **Can you share a memorable experience where you inspired or supported someone to overcome a challenge or reach a goal?**

11. **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 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?

1. 2. 3.

Additional comments you may want to provide: (optional)

Signature: Date: