Youth Leadership Program: BENIN
Student Application

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Personal Information

Name_____
Last (Family) First Middle

Current Address_____

City, State, Postal Code_____

Home Phone _____Mobile Phone_____

Email _____

Date of Birth (Month/dd/yyyy) _____ Age_____

City and Country of Birth _____

Country of citizenship or permanent legal residence_____

Gender ☐ Male ☐ Female

Parent/Guardian Information

Your parent or guardian must sign the application at the end

Parent/Guardian 1

Name _____ Relation to you _____

Address (if different from yours) _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Occupation_____

Parent/Guardian 2

Name _____ Relation to you _____

Address (if different from yours) _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Occupation_____

Brothers/Sisters

Name Gender Age Occupation

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Passport Information

Do you have a valid passport? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please attached a copy of your passport

Passport Number _____ Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy)_____

Issuing Country _____

Travel Information

Have you ever traveled to the United States or another country? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide a brief description of dates, length and nature of your stay(s):

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Education and Activities

Please attach your most recent transcript or academic record

School name_____

School address_____

City, State, Postal code_____

Current grade _____ Year you will graduate _____

How many years have you studied English? _____

List other languages you have studied below.

Language _____ Number of years studied _____

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Academic subjects you are most interested in _____

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

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Please list all extracurricular activities you currently take part in (school clubs, sports teams, youth organizations, community service activities, leisure time activities), how long you have been involved with each, any awards or honors. Use additional space as needed.

SHORT ESSAYS: *Please respond to the following short essay questions in one paragraph*

Why do you want to participate in this program?

You will be required to do a community service project in a small group when you return home. Do you have an idea for a project that would improve your community?

In what ways are you an effective leader? Using two examples, describe how you are a leader in your school, community, or home.

During this exchange, participants will act as ambassadors for their countries. What qualities do you have that would help you fulfill this role?

Participant Agreement/Parental Consent

I agree that all of the information in this application is true and I agree that if chosen to participate, I will participate in ALL program activities in the United States and BENIN, including the pre-departure orientation and follow-on activities. I also understand that I must remain with the program throughout the entire exchange and that personal travel within the United States during the program is not permitted.

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Applicant Signature Date

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

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Parent/Guardian signature(s) Date

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Parent/Guardian signature(s) Date

YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM: BENIN
Reference

Applicant Name _____

For the Applicant: Please submit one/two references with your application. The forms should be from a teacher or other adult outside your family who knows you well. The form does / not need to be in English. You may submit this form in paper with your application OR your reference can return the signed and completed form to CONTACT INFORMATION.

For the Reference: The student named above is applying to take part in the 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?

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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 _____