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Dear Student Council Advisor,

This year's IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp will take place from **June 20th through June 26<sup>th</sup>**. **There is no limit on the number of delegates a school may send. Students who attended camp prior to 7th grade and are still involved in Student Council may attend camp again prior to 8th grade. The camp fee is \$275.00 per delegate. To reserve spaces, you do not need to know the names of the students you are sending to camp.** To reserve spaces for your school, please complete the enclosed School Registration Form and mail it, along with a \$50.00 deposit for **each** delegate space requested, by **April 23rd** to:

David Nenn

IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp Director

116 Gum Street

New Lenox, IL 60451

***NOTE: Checks should be made payable to the IAJHSC and should be school checks.***

You will be sent an email with an Excel Spreadsheet to fill out with student information. The enclosed Camp Information Sheet may also be copied and given to interested students. Brochures and other camp information can be obtained by visiting [www.iajhsc.org](http://www.iajhsc.org).

**Please do not register a delegate until you are absolutely sure he or she can attend the entire IAJHSC Leadership Camp program.** At no time during their stay may delegates leave the program and return to it. **Late arrivals are not allowed.** Delegates must arrive at camp between 1:00 and 1:30 PM on Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. Camp ends at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. This has become a problem over the past several years. Please make sure your delegates and their parents are aware of this policy.

Attached is a form that you may want to copy, have delegates fill out and return to you. You can then enter the data in the spreadsheet when it arrives via email. Additional registration information and forms will be sent directly to delegates as soon as the delegate registration spreadsheet is filled out and emailed back to me.

If you are unable to fill the spaces you reserved on the School Registration Form, please let me know immediately. The deposit for unfilled spaces will be returned to you if notification of this is received by me prior to May 14th.

The support given to the camp program in the past is sincerely appreciated. The goal of camp is to provide the best leadership training possible for the junior high/middle school students of Illinois. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about the camp program.

Sincerely,

David Nenn

# IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp School Registration Form

Return postmarked by April 23rd to: David Nenn  
IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp Director  
116 Gum Street  
New Lenox, IL 60451

Deposit required to reserve spaces: \$50.00 for each space

Please make checks payable to: IAJHSC

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_  
street

city zip code

School Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Student Council Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor's Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Last Day of School for the 2009-2010 year \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve: \_\_\_\_\_ Spaces @ \$50.00 each.

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# IAJHSC LEADERSHIP CAMP DELEGATE INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print first and last name as you want it on camp nametag.)

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street Apt. No.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City Zip Code

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code

School \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_ 1st Year Camper \_\_\_ 2nd Year Camper Grade in September 2010: \_\_\_ 7th \_\_\_ 8<sup>th</sup>

Adult T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_ Small \_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_ Large \_\_\_ X-Large

Student Council Office to be trained for: Pres VP Sec Treas ComChair REP  
(CIRCLE ONE)

Birthday: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

IAJHSC District \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*NEW INFORMATION\*\*\*  
FOR ADVISORS**

**Please read and pass this information on to  
the parents of your potential delegates.**

## **CELL PHONE POLICY**

The possession and use of cell phones at the IAJHSC Summer Leadership camp is strictly prohibited. Delegates are not allowed to have a cell phone in their possession at any time during the entire camp. Failure to follow this policy may result in removal from the camp program without refund.

*This has become an increasingly bigger issue over the past few years. It seems that students are getting cell phones at younger and younger ages. A large part of the success of this program is removing kids from their everyday lives and allowing them time to think about what real leadership is. A delegate with a cell phone is not going to be "with us." It is a distraction from the camp program and is policy that will remain in effect as long as I am the director. Please explain this policy to the parents or have them contact me directly. I will be brutally honest with the parents. The message I will convey is clear albeit blunt: **"If you don't trust your child's safety and security with my camp staff, then please don't send them."** This message will also be in the parent mailing, but I would appreciate it if they had already heard this policy. It will save you and I a lot of headaches!*

# IAJHSC SUMMER LEADERSHIP CAMP

## INFORMATION SHEET

### Who Can Attend

Junior high/middle school students whose schools are members of the IAJHSC may attend Summer Leadership Camp. There is no limit on the number of delegates a school may send. Students who attended camp prior to 7th grade and are still involved in Student Council may attend camp again prior to 8th grade. *No students that have finished 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be allowed to attend as delegates.* Delegates will be accepted on a "first come - first served" basis until the camp session has reached its capacity.

### Location and Transportation

The camp facility is 4H Memorial Camp. It is located at Allerton Park, near Monticello, IL. Each delegate must provide his/her own transportation to and from camp. Maps will be provided in a mailing to delegates which follows receipt of registration materials.

### Purpose

The program provides opportunities for delegates to gain the knowledge and skills needed to perform their Student Council jobs effectively and to develop those personal qualities they will need as they deal with others in their leadership roles. This will, in turn, help improve Student Councils in the delegates' home schools.

### Program

During the week of camp, each delegate is assigned to a mock Student Council. In order for the delegates to meet students from other schools, each delegate is placed in a council with students from schools other than his/her home school. Each mock Student Council elects officers, establishes committees and has camp responsibilities to complete. Councils meet at least once during each day with a member of the Senior Staff and Junior Counselors. General Sessions are held each day for all camp delegates. These are learning sessions presented by members of the Senior Staff and include such topics as Parliamentary Procedure, Project Planning, and Job Training, and much more.

Recreation is held at least once a day. Delegates can go swimming, boating, shoot archery, play volleyball, or make crafts. The camp store is open at this time so delegates may purchase snacks. The evening activities include special events: a hoedown, Olympics, and a dance. The final evening activity of the week is a banquet followed by Achievement Night. Each day ends with time to reflect and sing around the campfire.

### Camp Staff

The Senior Staff is made up of teachers who are Student Council advisors in their home schools. In addition to the Camp Director, Assistant Camp Director, and the Senior Staff, there is a Camp Nurse and Junior Counselor Coordinator. The Junior Counselors (JC's) are high school students who attended IAJHSC Leadership Camp as junior high/middle school students. They are also involved in leadership experiences in high school. The Junior Counselors are a carefully selected group of highly capable, responsible and enthusiastic individuals.

## **Housing**

Camp delegates are assigned to live in cabins with other junior high students and one or two Junior Counselors. Delegates are not housed with students from their home school. The cabins have bunk beds with foam rubber mattresses. Delegates must provide their own bedding. Delegate cabins are located in close proximity to the Senior Staff and the Camp Nurse.

## **Registration**

The camp fee for each delegate is \$275.00. A \$50.00 deposit for each delegate must accompany the School Registration Form which must be postmarked by April 23rd, 2010. Delegate Registration Cards and the \$225.00 balance for each delegate are due no later than May 14th 2010. **At no time during their stay may delegates leave the program and return to it. Late arrivals are not allowed.** Delegates must arrive at camp between 1:00 and 1:30 PM on Sunday, June 20th. Camp ends at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 26th. Upon receipt of the Delegate Registration Cards, each delegate will be sent additional information that includes a packing list and forms to complete, including a health form.

## **Expectations of Delegates**

Delegates should come to camp prepared to learn. Although the emphasis is on learning, there is time to have fun both while learning and during the recreation periods and evening activities. After camp, delegates are expected to be active leaders in their home schools and to share what they learned at camp with the Student Council members in their home schools.

# **IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp Typical Daily Schedule**

Flag Raising  
Song Fest  
Breakfast  
Grounds Cleanup (assigned to councils on rotating basis)  
Cabin Cleanup  
General Session  
Leadership Topic Presented to Entire Camp  
Council Meeting  
Cleanup for Lunch  
Song Fest  
Lunch  
Rest Time  
General Session/Council Meeting  
Recreation  
Cleanup for Dinner  
Flag Lowering  
Song Fest  
Dinner  
Evening Activity  
Campfire

# Advisor's Checklist

\_\_\_\_\_ Send School Registration Form, along with a \$50.00 deposit for *each* reserved space, to the Camp Director by April 23rd, 2010.

## *Determine who the students are who will be attending camp.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Based on our experience, especially with delegates who experience homesickness, we recommend that you send to camp students who will enter 8th grade in the Fall, or *very* mature students who will enter 7th grade in the Fall. We have found that students who attend camp between their 7th and 8th grade years get the most out of camp.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Students who attended camp prior to 7th grade and are still involved in Student Council may attend camp again prior to 8th grade.*

\_\_\_\_\_ Since late arrivals are **not** permitted, please make sure that students attending camp will be able to arrive at camp between 1:00 and 1:30 PM on Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. Camp ends at 10:00 AM, Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>.

\_\_\_\_\_ Discuss with students selected to attend camp what you hope they will gain for themselves and for your school from their camp experience.

## **Make sure that students selected to attend camp have some awareness of the camp program.**

Specifically: They will **not** be in cabins or councils with students from their home schools. The camp setting includes characteristics of a wooded outdoor environment.

### **NO CELL PHONES!**

The camp program is very structured. Recreation is included in the schedule for each day, but there is not a lot of free time.

## *Then . . . .*

\_\_\_\_\_ Obtain parental permission in writing for delegates to attend camp.

\_\_\_\_\_ Establish a reimbursement policy in the event a student fails to attend camp and the school has paid part or all of the registration fee. Obtain parental agreement in writing to this policy.

\_\_\_\_\_ Establish a way for students to notify you if unforeseen circumstances arise which prevent their camp attendance so that you have an opportunity to secure a replacement delegate.

\_\_\_\_\_ Have students attending camp complete the Delegate Information sheet and return them to you.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Send to me (via email) the spreadsheet with the delegate information.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Send the balance of camp fee to the Camp Registrar by May 14th. Registration will not be complete until the balance has been paid.** Checks should be made out to the IAJHSC. **Please send school checks only.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Help students attending camp make travel arrangements to and from camp. The sample letter on the back of this sheet may be of assistance in helping delegates arrange a car pool.

\_\_\_\_\_ Check with students a few days before camp begins to make sure that things are set for their attendance.

## ***Refund Policy . . .***

The deposit for unfilled spaces will be returned to you if notification of this is received by the Camp Registrar prior to May 14th deadline for receipt of camp fees and Delegate Registration Cards. Once the Delegate Registration Cards are received, the deposit becomes non-refundable. Refunds of the remaining \$225.00 will be made if cancellation occurs not less than 20 days prior to the first day of camp. For a \$25.00 fee, substitutions will be permitted - same gender only.

*(School or Student Council Letterhead)*

June, 2010

Dear Parents,

*(number of students)* Student Council members will be attending the Illinois Association of Junior High Student Councils Summer Leadership Camp from Sunday, June 20th, to Saturday, June 26th. The names, addresses and phone numbers of these students are: *(List this information below or on a separate sheet of paper)*.

With your assistance, travel arrangements can be made so that the parents of each child will either bring children to camp, or take children home from camp. 4-H Memorial Camp at Allerton Park is approximately *(amount of time required for the drive to camp)* from *(name of your town)*. Your child has been sent camp information which includes a map and directions to camp. Children need to arrive at camp on Sunday, June 20th, between 1:00 and 1:30 P.M. They will also need to have lunch before arriving at camp. The first meal served at camp will be dinner Sunday evening. Camp will end at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, June 26th.

Please fill out the form below and have your child return it to me by *(identify desired date)*.

Sincerely,

Student Council Advisor

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:

\_\_\_\_\_ I would prefer to take children to camp on  
Sunday, June 20th.

\_\_\_\_\_ I would prefer to bring children home from camp on  
Saturday, June 26th.

In addition to my child, I can take \_\_\_\_\_ more child(ren) in my car/van

## IAJHSC Becky Prina Leadership Camp Scholarship

The IAJHSC has one of the only summer leadership camps in the nation available exclusively for middle level students. It is a wonderful opportunity for leadership training and personal growth. As an advisor you may know of a student who would benefit greatly from such an experience but lack the funds to make it possible. The IAJHSC is now able to make it possible through a newly created scholarship.

The IAJHSC is pleased to announce the formation of a scholarship to benefit leaders wishing to attend the annual Summer Leadership Camp. The application process and selection details were recently worked out by a committee and approved by the executive board at its winter meeting. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist those students who would not otherwise have the opportunity to attend camp due to financial reasons.

If you are an IAJHSC member advisor and have a student in your school who you believe would benefit from an opportunity to attend leadership camp, but would be unable to attend due to financial need, this scholarship can provide that opportunity. Any member school is eligible to make use of the scholarship which pays \$225 toward the student's camp fee. The scholarship is for the full camp fee less the registration fee. It is only available to first-year campers and the student must be at least a sixth grade student at the time of application. The scholarship application can be downloaded from the association website at [www.iajhsc.org](http://www.iajhsc.org).

The scholarship has been named the "Becky Prina Leadership Camp Scholarship" after our long-time leadership camp director, Becky "Beep" Prina. Mrs. Prina started the scholarship with its initial donation, upon her retirement as camp director in 2006. In addition the Executive Board voted to make the scholarship a permanent budget item to ensure its continuation.

The application must be completed and submitted to Camp Director David Nenn by April 23, 2010.

IAJHSC  
Becky Prina Leadership Camp Scholarship

**Scholarship Purpose and Application Instructions**

- a. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide an opportunity for a student to attend the IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp who would not otherwise have the opportunity due to financial need.
- b. The scholarship is only available to first-year campers.
- c. The applicant must be at least a sixth grade student at the time of application.
- d. All sections of the application must be completed and submitted to the Camp Director by April 23, 2010.
- e. The scholarship is for the full camp fee less the registration fee to be paid.
- f. If granted, this scholarship is not transferable and must be fully reimbursed to the IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp, by the student's school, in the event the student does not attend or complete the camp program.

**Application**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

IAJHSC District \_\_\_\_\_

Student Council Advisor Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor Email \_\_\_\_\_

Has the applicant attended the IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp in the past? \_\_\_\_ Yes  
\_\_\_\_ No

Applicant's Hobbies and Interests:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If selected, for what student council position would the applicant like to be trained?

Check one:

President

Treasurer

Vice President

Committee Chairperson

Secretary

Representative

### **Student Intent**

If selected for the Becky Prina Scholarship I agree to attend and participate in the IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp program on June 20-26, 2010.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### **Parent/Guardian Support Agreement**

If selected for the Becky Prina Scholarship I agree to make arrangements for payment of the registration fee, provide transportation to and from camp, and otherwise support my child in the fulfilling his/her agreement to attend the IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### **Application Requirements**

1. The student must answer three of the six applicant questions and submit them with the completed application.
2. The student's Student Council Advisor must complete the statements of recommendation and verification of need to be submitted with the application.
3. The student's school principal must complete the verification of student character and leadership potential and corroborative statement of financial need to be submitted with the application.

### **Submitting the Application**

The completed application, including all supportive documents as described on page 2, must be submitted in a single envelope by April 23, 2010 to:

Mr. David Nenn, Leadership Camp Director  
116 Gum Street  
New Lenox, IL 60451

### **Student Requirement**

Instructions:

1. Choose three of the six questions and write an answer of 100 words or less on a separate sheet of paper.
2. The question to be answered must be stated prior to each answer or incorporated as part of the response.
3. Submit your responses with your application.

Questions (*Choose three of the six questions*)

1. What makes you a good candidate for this scholarship?
2. What does Student Council mean or represent to you?
3. What personal benefits do you expect to gain from your camp attendance? How will your Student Council benefit from your camp attendance? How will other campers benefit from your camp attendance?
4. What do you think are the responsibilities of a leader in his/her school and community?
5. Tell how you have demonstrated leadership responsibilities in your school or community.
6. Describe your past experiences that are related to Student Council.

### **Student Council Advisor Requirements**

1. Write a letter of recommendation acknowledging with examples the student's qualities for candidacy.
2. Write a statement of verification of financial need of the applicant.
3. Sign and date the statement below.

If granted, I understand that this scholarship is not transferable and must be fully reimbursed to the IAJHSC Summer Leadership Camp, by the student's school, in the event the student does not attend or complete the camp program.

Advisor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **School Principal Requirements**

1. Write a letter of recommendation verifying the student's character and leadership potential.
2. Write a statement to corroborate the applicant's financial need.