



September 10, 2009

Dear School Principal/Representative or Youth Agency Representative:

The Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office, along with other local businesses and organizations, is co-sponsoring an event planned for youth by youth with the assistance of an adult planning committee. **The 11th annual Leaders in Life Youth Conference will be held on March 2, 2010.** The purpose of this event is to give youth a positive environment to grow, learn, share ideas and develop personally. The conference format includes keynote speakers, interactive breakout sessions, a resource fair and entertainment. You will be receiving more detailed information on the conference at a later date explaining how to select and register students to attend.

Nominations are currently being accepted for youth to serve on the Leaders in Life Youth Planning Committee. The young people selected for this committee will work with the adult planning committee to design and coordinate the conference. **The committee will meet in Bakersfield on October 8th, and then on November 12th, January 14th, and February 11th.** Participating youth will also attend sub-committee meetings as arranged. Enclosed is a nomination form. Please select students who have leadership abilities, an interest in making a difference, and the time to participate in the planning of this exciting event.

You are invited to nominate as many as three students from your school or agency to participate on the Youth Planning Committee. Please fill out the attached form and send or fax to the address and number below **no later than October 1, 2009.** The goal in selecting the youth committee members is for the committee to reflect the diversity of Kern County and to include students with leadership potential who may not currently be in a leadership position. Nominees should be junior high, middle school or high school age students. Youth who are nominated and **not** selected for the committee will be invited to assist in some capacity at the spring conference. As a student nominator, you will be notified of the student(s) who **are** selected for the Youth Planning Committee by Monday, October 5th, 2009. **If your student(s) is/are selected to participate on the committee, it is your responsibility to inform and notify the student(s) that he/she has been nominated and selected to participate on the 2010 Youth Conference Planning Committee.** The first committee meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2009, 9:45 am-1:00 pm. Nominated students will be invited to attend this meeting and must be able to provide their own transportation to and from this and all future committee meetings.

Please return your nomination form by **no later than October 1, 2009** to:

**Leaders in Life Youth Conference
c/o KCSOS-Jeff Coomber
1300 17th Street-US 5th Floor
Bakersfield CA 93301
or Fax to: 661-636-4329**

Please do not hesitate to call Jeff Coomber at (661) 636-4523, jecoomber@kern.org or Daryl Thiesen at (661) 636-4757 or dathiesen@kern.org should you have any questions.



**11th Annual
Leaders in Life
Youth Conference**

**Youth Planning Committee
Nomination Form**

Student's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

School / Agency: _____ Grade: _____ Age: _____

Ethnicity: _____ Female: _____ Male: _____

Other activities student is currently involved in:

Nominator

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

School / Agency: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

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