



April 2011

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 13<sup>th</sup> annual Leaders in Life Youth Conference will be held on March 15, 2012.** 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 from 9:45-1:00 on October 13, November 9, January 18, February 29, and March 9.** 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 two 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 September 30, 2011.** 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 Tuesday, October 4, 2011. **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 2012 Youth Conference Planning Committee.** Nominated students will be invited to attend the first general planning 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 September 30, 2011** to:

**Leaders in Life Youth Conference  
c/o KCSOS-Jeff Coomber  
1300 17<sup>th</sup> Street-US 5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:jecoomber@kern.org) or Daryl Thiesen at (661) 636-4757 or [dathiesen@kern.org](mailto:dathiesen@kern.org) should you have any questions.



**13<sup>th</sup> 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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