



NCCEP Conference Application Parent Notice

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are excited to share that your student is applying to attend the 2026 NCCEP Youth Leadership Summit (YLS), which will be held July 19–22, 2026, in Washington, DC during the NCCEP/GEAR UP Annual Conference. This national leadership experience brings together 150 students from across the country to strengthen student voice, advocacy, public speaking, and college readiness skills through interactive workshops and collaborative learning. Region 10 GEAR UP will select 2 students from Lancaster High School to participate. Please note that selected students must attend with 1 parent or legal guardian.

The application process includes eligibility requirements (academic standing, attendance, discipline record, and GEAR UP participation, including attending at least one Region 10 GEAR UP Leadership Conference), submission of a student interest video, 2 letters of recommendation, and review by a selection committee. Finalists will be notified prior to spring break.

Conference-related expenses will be covered and/or reimbursed by Region 10 ESC. Airfare and hotel accommodations will be paid upfront. Approved expenses such as meals (a meal per diem will be provided) and transportation (mileage, rideshare, etc.) will be reimbursed. Additional details regarding travel logistics and financial procedures will be shared with selected students and families.

Please note that student participation in this experience is pending LISD Board and Region 10 ESC approval.

GEAR UP Consultants are providing interested students with support to complete their applications. Please reach out to Alexis Wasson (alexis.wasson@region10.org) or Brittney Hervey (Brittney.hervey@region10.org) with any questions or concerns. Visit here- bit.ly/4af6wfz -to learn more about this opportunity.

By signing below, you acknowledge that you have reviewed this information, give permission for your student to apply for the NCCEP Youth Leadership Summit, understand that a parent or legal guardian must attend in order for the student to participate, and are aware that some approved expenses may be paid upfront and reimbursed after the trip in accordance with Region 10 ESC guidelines. **Please take a picture of this form for your records**

Student Name: _____

ID: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone/Email: _____