

**Service in Schools Leadership Institute
Program Overview
2020**

The Service in Schools (SIS) Leadership Institute and the Youth Service Summit are exciting opportunities, powered by Service in Schools, for NYC public high school students in grades 10-12 to build their leadership skills over the course of a five-day Institute from Monday, April 13 through Friday, April 17, 2020. The SIS Leadership Institute culminates in the planning and implementation of a day-long Youth Service Summit on Friday, May 22, 2020 for elementary school students. Students interested in participating in the SIS Leadership Institute must submit an application by **11:59pm on Monday, March 2**.

What is the SIS Leadership Institute?

- Selected NYC public high school students in grades 10-12 will participate an energizing youth leadership program that will engage them in meaningful community service and service-learning.
- Students who participate in the SIS Leadership Institute and Youth Service Summit will become Service in Schools Leaders (SSLs) and receive a certificate verifying their completion of the program, achievement in leadership, and the impact they made on the community.
- Facilitators from the Service in Schools Team will train SSLs through a challenging series of leadership skill-building activities, preparing them to plan and implement the Youth Service Summit, their capstone community service project.
- SSLs work together to identify important community issues, think about the root causes of the issues, and plan service projects to make a positive change.
- SSLs will collaborate with community partners that will benefit from the service projects.
- SSLs will plan and lead the Youth Service Summit to put their service projects in action with New York City students from grades 3-5.

SIS Leadership Institute and Youth Service Summit Structure:

SSLs are required to attend the five-day leadership Institute from **Monday, April 13 through Friday, April 17, 9:00am-3:00pm**, and lead the Youth Service Summit on **Friday, May 22, from 8:00am-3:00pm**. Additionally, SSLs must attend an afternoon work session from **4:00-7:00pm on Thursday, May 12**. The SIS Leadership Institute will be held in Midtown Manhattan. Breakfast, lunch, and a MetroCard will be provided for daily transportation.

Students will be selected to participate in the SIS Leadership Institute and the Youth Service Summit based on the quality of their responses to the application questions. Applicants must email the following signed forms to ServiceinSchools@schools.nyc.gov by **11:59pm on Monday, March 2:**

- Parent/Guardian Consent Form
- Media Release Form

Applicants should also ensure that their educator completes the Educator Support Form in the online form by 11:59pm on Wednesday, March 4.

Applications that do not include these three documents will not be considered.

The Educator's Role

Educator support for the SIS Leadership Institute is important for ensuring that the student is able and committed to participate in the five-day youth leadership program from **Monday, April 13 through Friday, April 17, 9:00am-3:00pm**, an afternoon work session on May 12, 2020, and the Youth Service Summit on May 22, 2020.

Applicants should ask their teacher, guidance counselor, or administrator to complete the Educator Support Form. It will be sent by email from the Service in Schools team to confirm that the educator is aware of the time commitment necessary for participation and will support the student in participating in the program. The Educator Support Form should be completed in the online form by 11:59pm on Wednesday, March 4. Applications that do not include an Educator Support Form will not be considered.