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This Leadership Forum gives high school juniors and seniors with ALL types of disabilities the opportunity to learn about self advocacy, disability rights, and transitioning from high school to college or jobs.



Training to become leaders of tomorrow.



Learning to speak up for your rights!



Work with mentors in the disability community.



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Maryland Youth Leadership Forum

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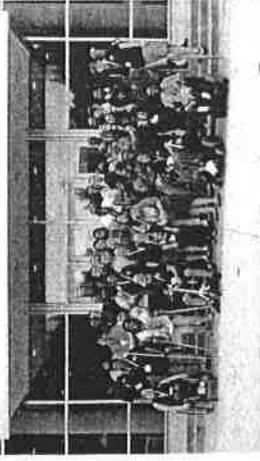
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Annual Maryland Youth Leadership Forum

For High School Leaders With Disabilities



Sponsors include:

- ★ Maryland Department of Education
- ★ Division of Special Education and Early Intervention Services
- ★ Division of Rehabilitation Services
- ★ Developmental Disabilities Council
- ★ Maryland Department of Disabilities
- ★ Developmental Disabilities Administration

Where Leadership Takes Flight.

LOPE = Please make w/1 comments
TEPS or SOYS
11th + 12th



General Information

- ★ Experience college life:
 - ★ Spend time on a college campus
 - ★ Stay in the dorms with a roommate
- ★ Participate in an Assistive Technology game and Resource Fair
- ★ Participate in the YLF dance and other social activities
- ★ Meet people with disabilities who serve various roles in the community
- ★ Learn about the process of a Legislative Bill
- ★ Meet alumni and other students from the state of Maryland

Who: Maryland Students with disabilities in their last two years of High School

Cost: FREE for all of our participants!

When: June (See website for current dates)

Where: A Maryland University Campus (check website and Facebook for updates)



We also hold alumni events throughout the year to keep you in touch with your friends from the YLF!



Through the forum, delegates will work in small groups to explore their interests and career plans. They will also learn about the history of disabilities and the steps they can take to make a difference in their communities.

Self advocacy is a main focus of the YLF and our staff of YLF alumni are dedicated to teaching these skills and helping encourage students to take on life's challenges.

For more information and how to

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