



**APPLICATION FOR:
EcoLeader Academy**

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EcoLeader Academy, 2025 Cohort

Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Will you have completed at least one year of high school as of June 18, 2025? _____

Will you be between 14 and 19 years of age by June 18, 2025? _____

Date of Birth: _____

EDUCATION

Circle current educational pursuit: high school college/university trade school other

School Name: _____

Most Recently Completed Grade Level: _____

Educational Programs, Awards or Certifications: _____

Describe your extracurricular activities in which you are, or have been, involved:

Clubs: _____

Sports: _____

Organizations: _____

Other: _____

Describe any volunteer, leadership or community activities you participate or have participated in:

Describe any skills, hobbies or special interests you have:

Describe how this opportunity will benefit your education and career goals:

How did you hear about this opportunity? _____

Which cohort are you available to attend?

- Wednesday (June 18, June 25, July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23, *Monday, July 28)
- Thursday (June 19, June 26, *Wednesday, July 2, July 10, July 17, July 24, *Monday, July 28)
- Either one

Please note that both groups will meet together on Wednesday, July 2 due to the July 4 holiday weekend.

I have reviewed the dates of each cohort and I agree to attend ALL sessions of the program, including the Youth Garden Summit on Mon., July 28, 2025 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Are you interested in applying to an ELA intern leader position this summer? (These positions are only available to previous ELA or YCAC participants.)

- Yes
- No

Additional Materials:

Essay: Please write a brief essay describing why you would like to be part of our EcoLeader Academy program and the environmental topics that you are passionate about.

Please remember to submit your essay with this form.

Submit materials to:

Alyssa Mulé, High School Programs Coordinator
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For more information, please contact Alyssa Mulé, high school programs coordinator, at scied@phipps.conservatory.org or 412-622-6915 ext. 3905.