



**2018 Victoria Business and Education Coalition
YOUth LEADership Conference
June 4-7, 2018**

Dear YOUth LEADership Nominee and Parents:

VBEC (Victoria Business and Education Coalition) is proud to acknowledge your nomination as a candidate to attend the **2018 YOUth LEADership Conference**. **Although you have been nominated, you are in competition with all other nominees from the entire region to meet all of the qualifications outlined in this document in order to secure your spot in the conference, space is limited.** You are to be commended as it is a great honor to represent your school at the conference!

You have been nominated by administrators, counselors, or teachers from your school or church. During the conference you will have the opportunity to develop leadership skills in a fun-filled environment. It promises to be a very exciting four days as we plan to climb a rock wall, gain knowledge from a team of incredible dogs, observe exciting science demonstrations, interact with dynamic, successful leaders, and have **lots of fun** in the process. Students will also be able to practice true leadership by learning to serve others while participating in community-service projects. All meals, drinks and snacks will be provided.

The conference fee is \$80 per participant. The first students to submit the **completed application packet (which includes the application form, registration fee, and any waivers that need to be signed by parent)** will be selected to attend the conference. Please include a current **email address** on the application if possible. If you are selected to participate, you will receive a **confirmation email** with all of the details which will serve as an invitation to attend the event. To graduate from the program, participants must attend all sessions scheduled June 4-7, 2018, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily at the Victoria College Student Center and campus.

Parents are invited to attend the closing Awards Ceremony that will be held 2:30 p.m. June 7, 2018 in the Victoria College Student Center.

If you have questions, please contact VBEC at 361-572-8232.

Once again, congratulations on your nomination!

Sincerely,

Lanell Mantey

Lanell Mantey, Executive Director

Date received _____
Number _____

Paid: _____
Town: _____



2018 YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE APPLICATION

Please complete the following information about your child and sign the commitment below.

Name _____ Preferred Name _____
Last Name First Name

Mailing Address _____
Number Street Apt# City State Zip Code

Email Address _____

Phone # _____ Date of Birth _____ Gender: Male Female
Circle One

Ethnic Identity ___ African American ___ Asian ___ Hispanic
___ White ___ Other _____

School: _____

Adult T-Shirt Size ___ Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ X-Large ___ Other

Parent's Commitment:

To graduate from the 2018 YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE at the Victoria College, I understand that:
My child must attend all program activities. Dates: June 4-7, 2018 Time: 8:00am-4:00pm daily.

I understand and agree to the above commitments:

Parent's Signature

Date

VBEC
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inSPIRE Rock Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk



ONE FORM PER PARTICIPANT. ALL BOXES MUST BE FILLED OUT IN ORDER TO BE ADMITTED TO INSPIRE ROCK.

Participant Last Name		Participant First Name		Participant Middle Name	
Date of Birth / /		Zip Code		Phone	
Can we email you?			Email Address jennifer.vandusen@sykes.com		
Emergency Contact			Emergency Phone		

In consideration of being allowed to visit and participate at the premises of inSPIRE Rock, Ltd., a Texas Limited Partnership (sometimes referred to in this agreement as "the facility" or "facilities") I, an adult visitor (eighteen years or older) or a parent/legal guardian of a visitor who is a minor (both referred to herein as "parent"), understand, acknowledge and agree as follows:

Activities: inSPIRE Rock, Ltd. operates a gym and challenge course in Spring, Texas and a challenge course in Huntsville, Texas. Visitors may move about the premises of both facilities, including, if qualified, the activity areas. The activities of the Spring gym include indoor climbing walls, bouldering, and fitness equipment. The climbing walls reach a maximum height of 43 feet. Wall climbers may be supported ("belayed") by means of a system of ropes or personal autobelays. Climbers must receive an orientation by gym staff before commencing those activities. No visitor may perform belaying services until and unless he/she has been trained by a staff member to do so. Visitors must familiarize themselves with the fitness equipment before use and ask for assistance if needed. The challenge courses and team building programs in Huntsville and Spring are operated/led by facilitators. At no time is a person allowed to participate on these courses without the supervision of inSPIRE Rock/Team Synergy staff. The challenge courses include a system of cables and platforms over and through which participants will climb and traverse at heights of up to 50 feet. These activities (climbing & team building) can be physically and emotionally demanding; and a visitor may not participate in them if he/she has any physical or mental condition that might cause the visitor to be a danger to himself/herself, to other visitors, or staff. I, an adult visitor or parent, represent that neither I nor, if applicable, the minor child, has any such condition. I certify that I am, or the minor child is, in good health without physical limitations which would preclude participation.

Risks: Visitors will be exposed to risks including, but not limited to: trips, falls, and other trauma while moving about the premises of the gym and challenge courses, and including the parking area and areas which may be under construction; overexertion and inattention may produce falls and abrupt contact with other persons, walls, boulders and other structures and equipment; visitors may be struck by falling climbers, dropped tools, and hardware; ropes, harnesses, and other equipment, including fitness machines and equipment, may fail; and other visitors and gym staff may act carelessly. The gym may from time to time employ independent contractors to perform certain services. The gym is not responsible for the acts or omissions of these contractors. These risks and others may result in all manner of injury and loss including breaks, sprains, abrasions, serious injury and even death. The risks described above, and others, are inherent to the premises and their activities -- that is, they cannot be eliminated without destroying the basic nature of the activities and their appeal and value.

Assumption of Risks: I, an adult visitor or parent, hereby expressly acknowledge and assume all risks of a visit to the gym or challenge course, inherent and otherwise, and whether or not described above. I have read and understand the rules of the facility and agree to fully comply with those rules. If the visitor is a minor, I, parent, have discussed the rules, activities and risks with the child, who understands them and wishes to visit and participate in the activities nevertheless.

Release and Indemnity: I, an adult visitor or parent (for myself and, to the maximum extent allowed by law, on behalf of the minor visitor, if applicable) agree to release and not to sue, and to defend and indemnify (that is, to pay or reimburse damages and costs, including attorneys' fees), neither inSPIRE Rock, Ltd.; nor its general partner, Team Synergy, Inc.; nor the owner or owners of the premises on and in which the facilities are located, nor their respective owners, partners, directors, officers and staff (referred to as "Released and Indemnified Parties") with respect to any claim related in any way to my or the minor visitor's visit to the gym for any purpose, including enrollment or participation in an activity of the gym, the use of its facilities or merely moving in or about the premises.

These agreements of release and indemnity include loss or damage caused or claimed to be caused by the negligence, but not the intentional wrongs or the gross negligence, of a Released and Indemnified Party.

The terms of this agreement and any dispute between a Released and Indemnified Party and visitor or parent, related to this agreement or otherwise, will be governed by the substantive laws of the State of Texas (not including laws which might apply the laws of another jurisdiction). I agree, for myself and for the minor visitor, that the venue of any suit or mediation will be solely in Harris County, Texas, and I agree to the jurisdiction of the courts of that County, for myself and the child. If I or the child suffer an injury or loss of property while visiting the facilities I agree that I will promptly notify the gym or challenge course staff of that occurrence.

This document is intended to be binding, to the fullest extent of the law, on all persons signing below, a minor visitor, if applicable, and their respective successors, heirs, executors, administrators and family members. If any part of this document is deemed by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable the remainder shall nevertheless be in full force and effect. The terms of this agreement cannot be altered. This agreement will govern visits to the facility on the date on which it is signed and thereafter until it is withdrawn by written notice to the facility or replaced.

Signature of Participant (18 years and older must sign)	Participant Name	Date
Signature of Parent (or Legal Court Appointed Guardian)	Parent/Guardian Name	Date

YOUth LEADership Conference 2018
Hold Harmless Agreement/Liability Release Form

Return in person no later than Monday, June 4, 2018 (1st day of conference), or by mail to 3404 N. Ben Wilson, Victoria, TX 77901 or fax 361-572-8237.

I am the Parent/Guardian of the above-named Participant who is under eighteen years of age and I am fully competent to sign this agreement.

I give permission for Participant to participate in the YOUth LEADership Conference. I acknowledge that the nature of the YOUth LEADership Conference may expose Participant to hazards or risks that may result in Participant's illness, personal injury or death, and I understand and appreciate the nature of such hazards and risks. I represent that the Participant is physically able, with or without accommodation, to participate in the YOUth LEADership Conference, is able to use the equipment and/or supplies associated with the YOUth LEADership Conference.

In consideration of Participant being permitted to participate in the YOUth LEADership Conference, I hereby accept all risk to Participant's health and of his/her injury or death that may result from such participation.

I (print) _____, full address _____, including my heirs, executors and administrators, agree to waive and release any and all rights, claims, and causes of actions against the organizers, sponsors, volunteers, and any others connected with the YOUth LEADership Conference, their representatives and successors, as a result of having my son/daughter/Participant participate in said event.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND UNDERSTAND IT TO BE A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION FOR PARTICIPANT'S INJURY OR DEATH OR DAMAGE TO PARTICIPANT'S PROPERTY THAT OCCURS WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE AND IT OBLIGATES ME TO INDEMNIFY THE ORGANIZERS AND SPONSORS FOR ANY LIABILITY FOR INJURY OR DEATH OF ANY PERSON AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY CAUSED BY PARTICIPANT'S NEGLIGENT OR INTENTIONAL ACT OR OMISSION.

Should Participant require emergency medical treatment as a result of accident or illness arising during the YOUth LEADership Conference, I consent to such treatment. Citizen's Medical Center is the hospital of choice and I agree to treatment by the attending emergency room physician. I acknowledge that Sponsors and Organizers do not provide health and accident insurance for participants in the YOUth LEADership Conference and I agree to be financially responsible for any medical bills incurred as a result of emergency medical treatment. I will notify YOUth LEADership Conference representatives in writing if Participant has medical conditions about which emergency medical personnel should be informed. **Please list any special health needs, requests or allergies on the back of this form and notify YOUth LEADership Conference representatives (see bottom of page for contact information).**

Further, I grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use any photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recordings or any other record of this event for legitimate purpose, including VBEC website and all other private and commercial advertising, without any reimbursement of any kind.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Witness

Address (if different than Participant's)

(W) _____ (C) _____
Emergency Contact Numbers

Date Signed

Additional Emergency Contacts/Numbers

Note: To request disability accommodations, please contact Lanell Mantey, VBEC, at 361-572-8232 **AT LEAST 10 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE.**



Dear Parents,

Here are some guidelines we want your child to follow during the week.

I would really like to keep students in **APPROPRIATE DRESS** during this week; so, for **girls *no spaghetti strap shirts*** or ***shirts that show mid-drift***. We ask that girl's ***shorts*** be as long as the middle finger. Boys need to wear shorts that are ***fitted at the waist*** (nothing that would show under garments or below the hips). We ask that boys ***do not wear muscle shirts***. If we feel your child is wearing inappropriate clothing, we must send her/him home.

We ask that your child be dropped off and picked up in a **timely manner**. We are all very happy to have your child participate, but do need time to discuss and plan for the next day.

During the week we have many guests visit this conference to share with your child about leadership skills. We feel strongly that ***foul language*** and ***inappropriate behavior*** cannot be accepted. We will give your child a **WARNING**. After the warning we are going to contact you to come and pick her/him up from conference. We want our students to show leadership qualities through good character!

We will take pictures during the week as well as a group photo of your child at the conference. Forms will be available for you to order online at check-in.

We know your child is going to have a great week and develop great friendships. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

Lanell Mantey

VBEC Executive Director
361-649-0221 cell