



NFHS Student Leadership Conference
Indianapolis, Indiana
July 15 - 18, 2010



BACKGROUND

An outstanding leadership opportunity, the NFHS National Student Leadership Conference is a four-day leadership conference for 300 student and adult leaders who participate in interscholastic athletics and fine arts activity programs through their state high school athletic/activities associations. Starting in 2007, the NFHS set aside a number of subsidized delegate positions for Canadian student and adult participants.

The National Student Leadership Conference provides a forum for student and adult leaders to discuss contemporary issues facing education-based athletics and activities. Through interactive large- and small-group discussions, these leaders will learn to promote respect, positive values, sportsmanship, teamwork, healthy lifestyles, community service and perspective.

College facilitators will deliver the curriculum and lead the delegates in their breakout group discussions. In addition, all delegates will participate in a citywide community service project that will benefit the Indianapolis metropolitan community.

SCHOOL REPRESENTATION

The ASAA will select a **maximum of four (4) student delegates and two (2) teacher supervisors** to attend the conference. For supervisory reasons, the ASAA will permit a maximum of two (2) schools to send two (2) students, with each school also providing one (1) teacher supervisor. The two students from each school can be of the same gender or one of each gender provided all local school board supervisory requirements for overnight travel are met.

COST (subsidized)

Students: The ASAA will cover the NFHS subsidized student delegate registration fee of \$US100 (to cover meals, accommodations and transport while in Indianapolis) and a portion of the cost of transportation to and from Indianapolis (to a maximum of \$500 for the flight including taxes). Each student or their school will be expected to cover the rest of the flight costs and meals while in transit.

Teacher: The ASAA will cover the NFHS subsidized teacher delegate registration fee of \$100 (to cover meals and transport while in Indianapolis) and up to \$700 of the teacher supervisors' costs (to go towards airfare to and from Indianapolis and accommodations at the host hotel while in Indianapolis). The teacher/school will be expected to cover the rest of the travel and accommodation costs.

Spending money will be the responsibility of the respective delegates and teacher supervisors.

TIMELINE

- Applications are to be received at the ASAA office by **March 22, 2010**.
- By **April 26, 2010** a provincial selection committee will select the student delegates to attend the conference with their teacher supervisors.
- Selected delegates will be asked to complete the NFHS delegate application forms and return them to the ASAA office by **May 3, 2010**.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Student delegates:

- Be a grade 10 or 11 student at an ASAA member school.
- Be willing to take conference information and skills back to local school and communities to disseminate to others.
- Be able to relate to students from a variety of social groups.
- Be able to interact well one-on-one with small groups of students.
- Be motivated and enthusiastic.
- Be willing to make a commitment to the citizenship qualities and behaviours espoused by the conference, which include respect for self and others, positive values, perspective, sportsmanship, teamwork, healthy lifestyles, community service and self-evaluation.
- Have demonstrated excellence in academics and athletics.
- Have demonstrated leadership through school and community activities.

Adult delegates:

- Must be an Alberta certified teacher, employed at the same school as the two students applying for this opportunity.
- Have good supervisory skills.
- Work well with young adults and adolescents (friendly and well-liked).
- Be able to interact well one-on-one or with small groups of students.
- Be willing to take conference information and skills back to the local school and community.
- Be responsible, highly motivated and enthusiastic.
- Have experience with high school student leaders and high school activities.

DELEGATE RESPONSIBILITIES

Student delegates:

- Attend all conference sessions
- Participate in all conference activities.
- Take conference information and skills back to their local school and community
- Follow all conference ground rules (including leaving facilities used in as good as or better condition than when they arrived).
- Be involved in a group presentation to the ASAA Board of Governors in Red Deer on Saturday, December 3, 2010 (at own expense) (date is subject to change).

Adult delegates:

- Travel to and from the conference with designated student delegates.
- Participate in sessions and all other activities during the conference.
- Serve as a liaison between student delegates, session facilitators and staff who oversee conference sessions and other conference activities.
- Follow all conference ground rules.
- Facilitate and support actions to be taken back to the school and community.
- Facilitate and be present at the student presentation to the ASAA Board of Governors in Red Deer on Saturday, December 3, 2010 (at own expense) (date is subject to change).

Note 1: the school is responsible for submitting one complete application package that includes this sheet for each for each student delegate along with the student delegates' responses to the questions above. Additional information may be required from successful applicants at a later time.

Note 2: appropriate school board field trip forms must be completed and sent to your school/board.



**NFHS Student Leadership Conference
Code of Conduct Form**



Student Name _____

School _____

I, the undersigned student leader, do hereby agree:

- 1. To abide by all the rules and regulations set forth by the National Federation of State High School Associations, the Adult Delegates, and all adult supervisors.**
- 2. To waive and release any and all rights and claims for any damages I may have against the National Federation, Alberta Schools' Athletic Association, and any other employee of the NFHS, for any injuries arising from my participation in this activity.**
- 3. To accept responsibility for my behaviour so that it does not reflect discredit on my school, my provincial association or myself.**
- 4. To use no tobacco, alcohol, or illegal drugs at the Conference.**
- 5. To treat all student and adult delegates, college and adult facilitators, NFHS staff, speakers, and hotel staff with respect and dignity.**

I understand that if I break any of the rules of the Conference that I will be sent home immediately at my own expense, after the NFHS has made arrangements with my parent/legal guardian.

Print student's full name

Print parent's/guardian's full name

Student signature

Parent/guardian signature

Date