



2025 Youth Leadership Forum: Recruiting Staff & Delegates

January 5, 2025

The Council is excited to announce the dates for the 2025 Louisiana Youth Leadership Forum (YLF). YLF is a four-day residential leadership program focused on empowering youths with disabilities while promoting an environment of disability culture and pride. This program gives delegates the skills needed to become future leaders!

YLF is currently recruiting staff and delegates for its four-day program this summer. The program will be held **July 10 – 13, 2025** at the Louisiana State University at Eunice campus. All speakers are peer mentors with disabilities. In addition to learning about advocacy and leadership, delegates will have the opportunity to make like-minded friends and build community.

Lodging, accommodations, and meals will be provided at no cost. We have a staff to camper ratio of 1:1 as well as two RNs who will be onsite 24/7 during the program.

Delegates/Campers

- Are you in the 10th, 11th or 12th grade and have a disability?
- Are you interested in learning about the history and culture of the disability community?
- Do you believe your voice can influence policy and make positive changes for people with disabilities?
- Will you commit to attending this summer program July 10 – 13th at the Louisiana State University in Eunice?

Staff

- Are you looking for something that will look GREAT on your resume?
- Are you willing to provide a supportive environment that allows youth to advocate for themselves and make independent choices?
- Will you commit to attending this summer program July 10 – 13th at the Louisiana State University in Eunice?

If you answered yes to these questions, please click [HERE](#) to apply!

For more information or assistance with applying, please contact Program Coordinator, Lillian DeJean via email at ldjean@fhfacadiana.org or call (337) 205-2504.

LOUISIANA YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

July 10th-13th, 2025



WHO ARE WE?

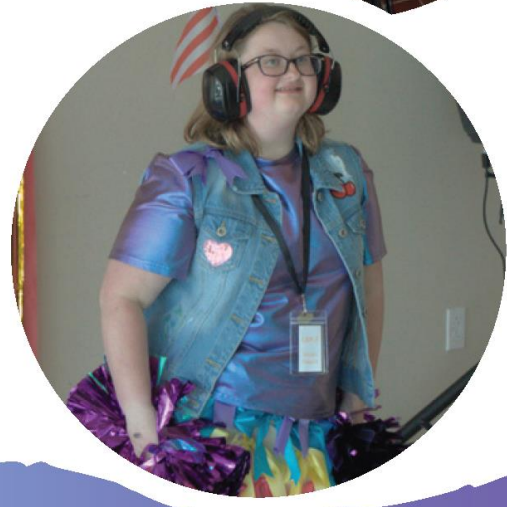
LAYLF is a summer camp for 10th-12th graders with disabilities including mental health issues, learning disabilities, and chronic health conditions.

WHAT DO WE DO?

We prepare youth with disabilities for their future post high school by teaching leadership, self-advocacy, and creating community.

WHY SHOULD YOU ATTEND LAYLF?

Campers leave LAYLF with a newfound sense of pride, new friends and an ability to advocate for a future after high school!



LAYLF is hosted by Families Helping Families of Acadiana, thanks to generous funding from the LA Developmental Disabilities Council, LA Dept of Education, Brown Foundation, & Enbridge



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