



DSM USA

2018-2019 PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

(subject to change)

June 14, 2018	Orientation	6 - 7:30 p.m.
Aug. 10 - 11, 2018	Opening Retreat	4 p.m.
Sept. 7, 2018	Community Engagement	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sept. 10, 2018	Career Planning	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12, 2018	Personal Development	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Oct. 15, 2018	Etiquette Dinner	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9, 2018	Health and Wellness	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Nov. 12, 2018	Financial Wellness	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 7, 2018	Civic Engagement	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Dec. 10, 2018	Presentation Skills	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 18, 2019	Equity and Inclusion	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Jan. 21, 2019	Capstone Kick Off	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 8, 2019	The Arts	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Feb. 11, 2019	Personal Bias	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Mar. 1, 2019	Business and Entrepreneurship	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Mar. 4, 2019	Personal Development Follow Up	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Apr. 1, 2019	Snow Day Make Up	8 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Apr. 12, 2019	Capstone Service Projects	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Apr. 15, 2019	Develop Graduation Presentations	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
May 10, 2019	Bioscience and Agriculture	8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
May 13, 2019	Graduation Rehearsal	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
May 16, 2019	Graduation Ceremony	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

YLI YOUTH LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE

WHAT IS YLI?

Youth Leadership Initiative (YLI) introduces, develops and fosters leadership skills among high school sophomores and juniors in Greater Des Moines (DSM) through experiential mentoring and leadership opportunities that enhance self-esteem and encourage involvement in all levels of community life.

YLI focuses on untapped potential. We primarily seek students who have had few opportunities to demonstrate and reach their full leadership potential.

CANDIDATES FOR THE PROGRAM SHOULD:

- 1) Be entering their sophomore or junior year of high school (2018-2019).
- 2) Have an interest in developing their leadership skills.
- 3) Have a desire to learn more about the Greater Des Moines community.

MISSION:

YLI provides ample opportunity for youth to participate in meaningful community change, to network and to grow as individuals. The YLI leadership development program helps youth learn the skills necessary to create a community where they want to invest their futures. YLI develops committed leaders by encouraging community participation.

VISION:

Inspiring participants to impact their community through networking, community engagement and continuous leadership development, both personally and professionally. YLI connects young adults to organizations in Greater Des Moines where they can seek out volunteer opportunities and engage with local leadership.

VALUES:

Empowering youth to connect, participate in change and create their ideal community.

Encouraging youth to become active participants in their community.

Engaging youth in opportunities to invest their futures in the Greater Des Moines area.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Current high school freshmen and sophomores should apply prior to their respective sophomore and junior years. Applications are online (DSMpartnership.com/yli), at the Greater Des Moines Partnership or through area high schools. Class selection will be completed and announced by June 1. Previous classes have included over 40 students from 28 Greater Des Moines area public and private high schools. The Greater Des Moines Partnership believes local youth must see a community that is welcoming and nurtures their success. Thanks to generous funding from The Partnership and other donations, participation in the YLI Program is offered **tuition-free**.

For more Information: Email [Molli Davis](mailto:Molli.Davis@DSMpartnership.com) at mdavis@DSMpartnership.com or visit DSMpartnership.com/yli.
Applications accepted through April 8.

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