



The disAbility Resource Center  
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Dear Parent,

The disAbility Resource Center is beginning the fourth year of its Youth Leadership Team. The Youth Leadership Team is designed for transition-aged students with disabilities of all types, 17-21, who would like to learn about leadership, self-advocacy and legislative advocacy. Our mission is to empower youth and young adults with disabilities to develop self-advocacy and leadership skills by defining life goals and promoting and participating in community advocacy. Students learn to advocate for themselves at IEPs and ITPs and providing testimony to legislators at the local, state, and national level.

We are currently recruiting students to join the YLT for this school year. We are looking for students who want to learn how to advocate for themselves and others with disabilities and who would be willing to later lead other students at their school in developing school-based YLT teams. We are very interested in students of all disabilities participating. However, **they must be interested in learning and sharing their knowledge** to the best of their ability. Due to limited space, we will only be able to accept **interested and committed** students on a first-come basis who not already participated in YLT. If your child is interested in participating, please have them fill out the attached application, Emergency Contact form, and Release of Information form. Return the application to me at the dRC by fax or mail. The sooner the application forms are completed, the sooner I will be able to notify students of their acceptance.

Meetings will begin Tuesday, October 12, 2010, and will run weekly after school through the school year at the disAbility Resource Center. Transportation will be provided from school to the dRC in vans provided by the Rappahannock Area Agency on Aging but students will need transportation home from our office at 5:00 p.m.

If there are any questions please contact me. I look forward to working with you and your children on another successful year of YLT.

Sincerely,

*Kim*

Kim Lett  
Youth Services – Transition Coordinator

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