



# Greater Newark Conservancy

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Dear College Mentor Applicant,

January 2012

Thank you for your interest in the **Newark Youth Leadership Project (NYLP)**, a program of Greater Newark Conservancy. This is not just a job, this is an opportunity to mentor over fifty high school aged interns in a variety of settings. The NYLP summer program is a leadership program for Newark high school students that will focus on environmental issues. This includes green jobs, the environment, healthy living, education and career exploration.

Please review the following details before considering or submitting your application to the program.

- This application is for **SUMMER 2012**. The program will run from July 9<sup>th</sup> to August 16<sup>th</sup>, but as a college mentor we ask you to be in attendance from June 20, 2012 thru August 20, 2012 to help plan the program.
- You will be expected to be on time and in attendance EVERY Monday thru Friday during this time period. Attendance on all days is MANDATORY; there are no vacation days. If you are out sick you must get a doctor's note. There are no exceptions to this rule.
- Three days a week will be hands on job experience. Two days a week will be Education Days, which may consist of classroom lectures, reading and writing assignments, some homework, discussion groups and more.
- Mentors will help lead class and group discussions, motivate and guide interns and support the Greater Newark Conservancy staff.
- All participants will work outside and participate in outdoor activities throughout the summer, regardless of the heat. (ie. No air conditioning)
- Requirements for the program are as follows:
  - Must maintain a 3.0 or better GPA (most recent report card must be submitted when applying)
  - Must have recommendation of a Professor, former Employer or Guidance Counselor
  - **Must have completed sophomore year of college by June 2012**
  - Preference will be given to those who have peer mentoring or supervisory experience

Please think seriously about the commitment required for this program before applying. If you feel uneasy about any of it, such as being physically active outside in the heat or cold or mentoring a group of high school aged students, then this may not be the program for you. Serious consideration will be given to students who are most interested in environmental issues and want to pursue related career goals.

Your completed application can be mailed, faxed or hand delivered to our office. Once your complete application is received, qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview.

If you are offered a position in NYLP, please be advised that you will need to have the following documents or information available in order to get certified to work: proof of age (birth certificate, U.S. passport etc), Current proof of address, Social Security Card (2 legible copies) and a current report card.

Should you have any questions about the application or the program, please feel free to contact me. We look forward to receiving your completed application!

Sincerely,

Sara Ghiglia  
NYLP Coordinator

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Director of Programs

PS—Applications are due by **May 1, 2012** however positions are limited and the sooner we receive it the more likely a position will be available.