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LEAD Linking Education and Diversity

A college preparation & motivation program for high school seniors in the City of Boston

WHAT IS LEAD?

LEAD is a college preparation and motivation program developed especially for Boston Public High School and METCO seniors to provide support with the college admissions process. Beginning with the college essay and building a college list, and ending with scholarship applications, LEAD will teach Boston high school seniors the strategies needed for a successful college application. Each high school student is paired with a Northeastern student mentor who is trained to assist with the college process.

As a LEAD participant, you will benefit from small group teaching, mentoring, and a detailed curriculum to effectively master the college application process from start to finish.

LEAD Mission:

LEAD empowers high school students from Boston to realize their potential beyond high school as capable college students through motivation and outreach throughout the college admissions process.

LEAD brings you closer to your college goals by

- ◆ Providing tools for college planning and organization
- ◆ Helping high school students to realize their full potential for college
- ◆ Offering support and motivation throughout the college application process

LEAD LABS

LEAD LABS provide a structured and supportive work environment with computer access for two hours each week. LEAD participants meet as a group in LEAD LABS on Northeastern's campus to work through the college application process. In addition to weekly LEAD LABS, high school seniors and mentors/teachers will participate in Saturday **LEAD Retreats** at four crucial points in the application process to share strategies for college success.

As a LEAD participant, you will learn strategies to help you get into college, including:

- ◆ Self-Advocacy and communication skills throughout the college admissions process
- ◆ Mastery of the college essay
- ◆ Organization tools
- ◆ College application strategies from admissions experts
- ◆ Financial aid forms and scholarship searches

2011-2012 LEAD DATES (*LEAD participants are expected to attend all sessions*)

LEAD Parent/Student Orientation: Wednesday June 8, 6-7 p.m.

LEAD JUNIOR YEAR KICK-OFF: Wednesday, June 15, 5-7 p.m.

LEAD LABS: Wednesdays from 5-7 p.m., September 27-March 1

LEAD Retreats: 4 Saturdays from 11-2 p.m., unless noted

October 1 (College Visit), October 15, November 19, December 10,

LEAD Application Deadline: TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2011

FAX to: LEAD @ 617-373-4213

or

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LEAD *Linking Education and Diversity* Student Application 2011-2012

Personal Information

Student's First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Student's Cell Phone : _____ Student's Home Phone: _____

Student Email: _____

Do you work after school? If so, where? _____

How many hours do you work per week? _____

Do you play sports? If so, what sport? _____ How many hours per week? _____

Are you in other after-school clubs? _____ How many hours per week? _____

Parent/Guardian Information

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s): _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Phone: _____ Email: _____

Educational Background

High School: _____

Guidance Counselor Name: _____ Email: _____

Other Mentors / Teachers in School or Community who help with your college goals:

Mentor Name: _____ Mentor Email: _____

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CALL: 617-373-7705 or 617-373-6015

"LEAD gives you personal attention. LEAD was an important part of my schedule throughout senior year."

"Without LEAD, I wouldn't have been this organized or on top of things for college."

— LEAD graduate, 2011



LEAD Application

Writing Responses

1. What do you hope to get out of the LEAD Program? _____

2. Are you able to commit to the LEAD Schedule, including Wednesday LEAD LAB sessions and 5 Saturday Retreats? (dates listed on the first page of the application).

Yes, I can attend all LEAD sessions No, I cannot attend all LEAD sessions

Explanation, if you selected “no”: _____

3. What are your goals after high school? _____

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