



Youth Leadership Summit (YLS)



2018 Youth Leadership Summit:
Rising 11th & 12th graders: June 25-29

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Rippleffect's Youth Leadership Summit 2018

What is Rippleffect?

Rippleffect is a non-profit organization that offers experiential education and outdoor adventure programming from our Cow Island campus in Casco Bay and in the wilderness of New England. We are a passionate group of educators who believe that hands-on education in outdoor classrooms is fundamental for healthy youth development.

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What will I be doing on the YLS?

On any given day, your group may be going on a sea kayaking journey, riding our 400' zip line, competing in an intensive raft building leadership activity, climbing on our climbing wall, experimenting with environmental art creations, or enjoying solo time on our beautiful island. Most mornings begin with a relaxing yoga class and each day ends with a guest speaker or a reflective and fun campfire. The food on Cow Island is fantastic and is enjoyed in a community setting. Students stay in our rustic yurts, except for one night that will be spend on a neighboring island in a backcountry setting. Toilet facilities on Cow Island consist of solar-powered toilets. There are no showers on Cow, although evening swims and paddling sessions provide a fun alternative!

Who is eligible to apply?

The YLS is open to current 10th and 11th grade students who would like to learn more about themselves as leaders, are interested in living and learning in the outdoors, and are excited to meet new people and try new things.

How do I get in?

Students are accepted by application only. All applications are due by July 15, 2018. This is a first come, first served application process, so early applicants have the advantage!

How much does it cost?

This program is made possible through funding from L.L. Bean, which underwrites a large portion of each student's payment. The full cost for each student is \$650.00, but we only ask students to pay a minimum of \$200.00 toward the cost of the program. We welcome contributions over this minimum amount. Full scholarships are available upon request.

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