

## Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy

### MISSION

Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy's mission is to deliver a youth leadership program, empowering youth to learn, grow and lead through a learning experience designed to impart knowledge, create community awareness, promote team building and develop leadership skills.

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy is a five-day leadership development program designed to introduce participants to leadership concepts and provide interaction with local business, government and community leaders.

Participants will learn and grow by developing leadership skills and gaining knowledge through various methods. While some time is spent in a classroom setting, most of the week is spent observing leadership in action at various County locations with local business, government and community leaders. The week culminates in a graduation ceremony.



## Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy

### PARTICIPANT COMMITMENT

This is a five-day program, June 16-20, 2025. Sessions are held each day from 8:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. Attendance every day, for the entire day, is expected and required to receive a graduation certificate. Excused absences will be considered on a case by case basis.



*"My daughter enjoyed her time at Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy! She found it to be a great experience. This is a wonderful educational learning opportunity for students."*

*S.L. (Penn Trafford Parent)*



## Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy

### TUITION

This program is financially supported by the Commonwealth of PA and the Workforce Investment Board of Westmoreland/Fayette Counties. It is being facilitated by the Westmoreland County Chamber of Commerce Education Foundation (501C3.) The participant investment in Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy is \$175 which will be invoiced upon acceptance into the program. This investment helps defray operational costs, session materials and meals (light breakfasts, box lunches, snacks.)



*"Thank you for accepting me into the Leadership Academy, placing me in a space to learn and make memories and new friends the I will never forget. The structure of the academy was exceptional, teaching me so much that I will be able to use throughout high school and in my career." B. S. – Franklin Regional High School*

## Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy



### REQUIREMENTS

Application to Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy is open to students who will be freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors September 2025 with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 who are enrolled in a school district, private school or is being home schooled in Westmoreland County. The ideal class is 25 individuals. We welcome diversity and inclusion.

### SESSION DATES & LOCATION

June 16-20, 2025 from 8AM-3:30PM. Participants should make their own arrangements to travel daily to and from the Westmoreland Conservation District, 218 Donohoe Road, Greensburg, PA 15601

### SELECTION CRITERIA

The Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy selection committee will select the first 25 participants meeting the application require



### APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply:

- Complete the application process (application & code of responsibility form) by April 30, 2025.
- Submit check in the amount of \$175 payable to WCCC Education Foundation. No refunds after April 30, 2025.
- Please direct questions to Grace Markum, Program Facilitator:  
Call/Text: (814) 659-7144 or [leadership@westmorelandchamber.com](mailto:leadership@westmorelandchamber.com)



*Leadership Westmoreland Youth Academy  
Class of 2024*



Leadership Westmoreland  
Youth Academy



**Westmoreland County  
Chamber of Commerce  
Education Foundation**  
241 Tollgate Hill Road,  
Greensburg, PA 15601  
Phone: 724-834-2900  
[westmorelandchamber.com](http://westmorelandchamber.com)



**Presented by the Westmoreland County  
Chamber of Commerce with support from:**



The WIB is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. For federal funding information, visit [westfaywib.org/resources/](http://westfaywib.org/resources/).

