



Central Ontario Leadership Seminar
May 25 to May 27, 2012

We are entering into another exciting year of planning for the Central Ontario Leadership Seminar. The Central Ontario Leadership Seminars is a Canadian Non-Profit Charity dedicated to the development of leadership potential in grade ten high school students. Volunteers for this charitable organization have provided an annual three day leadership seminar to students in Central Ontario since 1982.

The goals of COLS are:

- Empower young leaders to be “the change they would like to see” in their schools and communities.
- Foster personal growth by promoting positive thinking, goal setting and community involvement.
- Provide young leaders with a forum to interact and develop lifelong relationships with other young leaders.
- Through independent and interactive activities, encourage the development of critical thinking skills (i.e., learn “how” to think, not “what” to think).

There is no cost to the students, parents or high schools involved with the COLS seminar. Generous gifts from constituents, combined with active support from more than 100 volunteers, provide the backbone of support necessary to deliver the COLS program. This is the base of support which will sustain the organization for many years to come.

The Central Ontario Leadership Seminar (COLS) is a three-day event that will take place on May 25 to May 27, 2012. The 2012 seminar will once again be held at:

University of Toronto, Mississauga
3359 Mississauga Rd. N.
Mississauga ON L5L 1C6

This event is a phenomenal session of interaction between our ambassadors, our businesses, and our community leaders. We are always so inspired to see the excitement and positive outlook that emulates from our young leaders; this is what makes the volunteer efforts so rewarding.

This letter is an invitation to your school to elect **one student** representative to attend this year’s COLS 3-day seminar. We know that teaching is becoming more demanding every year and your time is limited. We suggest that you engage past ambassadors of COLS to help you with the selection of **one grade ten student** to represent your school at the Central Ontario Leadership



Seminar. We are confident that the past ambassadors will be happy to speak to the grade ten classes, read the essays handed in and help select an ambassador for COLS 2012.

Because there is no cost to the student or school for this seminar we ask that, if your student must cancel from the seminar, an alternate student is sent. As we are unable to cancel rooms at the last minute, we are forced to pay for all spots reserved -- a penalty of \$100.00 will be charged to any student who cancels after May 16, 2012 unless the cancellation is due to illness. As part of this application, **please provide an alternate student that would be able to attend the seminar.**

Upon selecting your high school's student ambassador, registration forms for this student needs to be submitted to COLS. We have provided a clear indication of how to complete this application on behalf of your school into the following two steps:

STEP 1: Online Registration *[to be completed by the High School contact]*

- Go to: www.cols3day2012.eventbrite.com using the password: **outstanding**
- Complete the online registration.
- Submit the application and find the corresponding confirmation email
- Write down the emailed Receipt for Order number on the hard copy application form:

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Kevin Waher	TEST (Student Ambassadors)	1

STEP 2: High School Contact Information *[to be completed by High School Contact and attending student and his or her parents]*

- This year I have attached all the forms that your ambassador, parents and High School Contact need to fill out. They include Student Application, Medical form, Ambassador Rules and Regulations, and Consent of Acknowledgement and Risk form
- The selected student also needs to submit a **short essay of 75 to 100 words** answering the question on the bottom of the Student Application Form.
- Once completed all the forms and essay may be submitted to COLS (preferably scanned and e-mailed to registration@cols.ca), faxed to my home at 519-925-0212 or mailed to the address below:

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427 Olde Village Lane
Shelburne, ON L0N 1S2
Fax: 519-925-0212
E-mail: registration@cols.ca

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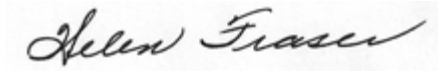
Please note that the deadline for application submission is February 29, 2012. We are only able to accommodate 120 ambassadors so send your student's form as soon as possible to ensure your student's spot.

Upon receiving the application forms from your school, your school's ambassador will be e-mailed a letter of welcome confirming the required forms have been received. The student will receive another letter by e-mail sometime in May explaining more about the seminar and suggestions of what to bring. The student will also receive a phone call from the Senior and Junior Leader for his or her group the week before the seminar.

For more information please visit our website at www.cols.ca.

We are looking forward to another outstanding seminar with our "Young Leaders of Tomorrow".

Sincerely yours;



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