

Junior Leadership Merced



Class 14 2017-2018

Application Deadline: Friday,
September 15, 2017 **by Noon**
Interview Dates:
September 20 & 21, 2017 @ 4-6 pm
**Incomplete applications will not be
accepted**

APPLICATION

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PROGRAM SPONSORS

Thank you to our gracious sponsors of 2016-2017's class 13

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Junior Leadership Merced requires participation on the following days:

<u>DATE</u>		<u>TIME</u>	<u>SESSION</u>	<u>MEETING LOCATION</u>
2017				
SEPTEMBER 20 & 21	WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY	4:00 – 6:00 PM	STUDENT INTERVIEWS	GREATER MERCED CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 1640 N STREET, SUITE 120, MERCED 209-384-7092
SEPTEMBER 28	THURSDAY	5:30 – 7:00 PM	PARENTS NIGHT PARENTS AND STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED	MERCED COLLEGE BUSINESS RESOURCE CENTER 630 W. 19 TH STREET, MERCED
OCTOBER 20,21,22	FRIDAY – SUNDAY	FRIDAY 12:00 – SUNDAY 4:00-5:00 PM	RETREAT MANDATORY (1/2 SCHOOL DAY)	LOCATION TBD
NOVEMBER 20	MONDAY	9:00 – 4:30 PM	COLLEGE – UNIVERSITY DAY	MERCED COLLEGE & UC MERCED
2018				
JANUARY 26	FRIDAY	8:00 – 5:00 PM	LAW & JUSTICE DAY (SCHOOL DAY)	MERCED POLICE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 23	FRIDAY	8:00 – 4:30 PM	BUSINESS & HEALTH DAY (SCHOOL DAY)	LOCATION TBD
MARCH 21	WEDNESDAY	8:00 – 4:00 PM	GOVERNMENT DAY (SCHOOL DAY)	LOCATION TBD
MARCH 28	WEDNESDAY	6:00 – 8:00 PM	GRADUATION	MERCED SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER 755 W. 15 TH STREET, MERCED

SELECTION PROCESS

Upon receipt, applications are screened for completion of all requested information. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Applicants are selected for an interview and are scheduled to meet with the interview team who, together with the Junior Leadership Merced Chair, make final selections. Applicants will abide by all final decisions of the interview team. **Applications must be submitted by Friday, September 15, 2017 BY Noon.** Postmarks are not accepted; applications must be received by this date and time.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION CHECK LIST

- Application (2 pages) with the three required signatures
- Transcript
- 2 Personal Reference Forms

Application with missing items will **NOT be accepted.

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JUNIOR LEADERSHIP MERCED

Please provide the following information. (If you prefer, you may type out answers to questions on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this application.)

If you have questions, please call The Chamber at (209) 384-7092

(Please print **legibly** or type)

Full Name: _____ Birth Date: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Home Address/City/Zip: _____

School: _____

Referred by: _____

1. What are your plans for the four years following high school graduation (i.e., college, career)?

2. List any school and community activities in which you have been active. List any awards or special recognition you have received.

3. Objectives – What do you hope to gain from your *Junior Leadership Merced* experience?

4. Concern(s) – Please identify and discuss a particular issue, opportunity or problem you feel is crucial to the Merced area.

5. References – Please provide the names of two people (excluding family members) who have knowledge of your background and education and can be contacted by the *JLM* committee.

Have each person complete a reference form and attach it to your application.

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

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6. Education – Attach a copy of your current transcript.

7. Complete the agreement form below with the required signatures.

I, _____, understand the purpose of the Junior Leadership Merced program and that completion of this application does not ensure acceptance in the current class. I agree to abide by the attendance requirements.

Nominees for the Junior Leadership Merced program must have the support and commitment of their school and family.

In order to meet the goals of the program, full participation of each individual selected is necessary.

Attendance at all JLM functions is to be considered mandatory. Absence may be cause for being withdrawn from the program. Exception is granted only under the most unusual circumstances and may be granted by the Committee Chair.

I will be able to fulfill this time commitment. Yes No

If no, please explain: _____

Do you have the full support of your school and family to participate actively in *Junior Leadership Merced*? (Note: You will need to provide transportation to and from activities. Transportation during an activity will be provided.) Yes No

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of School Representative: _____ Date: _____

Title of School Representative: _____

(Should be the Principal, Associate Principal or Counselor)

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

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PERSONAL REFERENCE FORM
(Please, no family members)

Thank you for taking the time to recommend _____ to the *Junior Leadership Merced Committee*. Please use your personal knowledge of this candidate to respond to the following questions. Letters of Recommendation typed on letterhead are also acceptable, provided they address the following questions.

1. How long have you known the candidate? Describe in what capacity (friend, employer, instructor etc.) you are acquainted?

2. What is your personal knowledge of the candidate's career plans and his/her goals for the future?

3. Describe the candidate's leadership potential?

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Address: _____

Telephone: _____

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Mail or deliver your **completed** application (2 pages), your transcript and 2 personal reference forms to:

Junior Leadership Merced
The Greater Merced Chamber of Commerce
1640 N Street, Suite 120
Merced, CA 95340

Phone # - 384-7092

Mailing Address:
Greater Merced Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 1632
Merced, CA 95341

Fax # - 209-384-8472

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