

Black River Middle School Peer Leader Application

What is the Peer Leader program?

The Peer Leader Program is a program where students who are leaders help others to make better decisions. These students are positive role models who want to make a difference in the lives of their fellow peers and community members. And they do!

What types of activities are involved?

There are a variety of activities that we will do together such as group meetings, one day retreat, peer tutoring, preparing and conducting lesson to younger classmen, 5th grade orientation as well as volunteering for various community functions.

When do we meet?

Peer Leaders meet approximately 6-8 weeks in group sessions to engage in various leadership activities. We work on developing and knowing the self along with communication skills, leadership skills, and team building. **Note:** Peer Leaders are responsible for making up work missed due to peer leader activities.

How do I apply?

To begin, you must read the following information and have your parent/guardian sign the bottom.

In order to be eligible to apply as Peer Leader, you must meet the following criteria:

1. Starting now, you must perform 20 hours of community service. You must also complete the attached log sheet and give to your school counselor, upon your return to school the first week school is back in session in September of your 8th grade year.
2. Complete the attached application, including typed essay.
3. You will be required to be available for and perform an additional **20 hours of community service during the school year**. There will be several opportunities and school related activities that will be offered to help you meet this requirement.

Being a Peer Leader is a privilege earned by outstanding character, compassion for others, excellent work ethic, tremendous values, and strong sense of leadership and responsibility. **The following actions may cause removal from the program:**

1. Receiving more than 1 in school detention,
2. Multiple outstanding assignments in any class,
3. Excessive unexcused absences,
4. Receiving a bus violation notice,
5. Involvement in any school situation deemed "un-peer leader like" (inappropriate notes/texts, emails, founded HIB case, being caught in a lie, cheating/copying work, violation of dress code and repeated class disruption,
6. Missing more than 2 PE classes due to being unprepared or for a behavior issue

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Please sign below to acknowledge that you have read and understand the requirements. We are asking that your parents also sign as a way of showing their unity and support of you.

Student - Printed Name & Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

**PEER LEADER
PICTURE CONSENT FORM**

Name: _____

I allow my child to have his/her picture taken while participating in Peer Leaders.	Yes	No
I allow my child to have his/her picture taken while participating in Peer Leaders and posted on any of the bulletin boards / smart TV's around the school.	Yes	No
I allow my child to have his/her picture and name in the school paper or website while participating in Peer Leaders	Yes	No
I will allow my child to have his/her picture taken and posted on Twitter and/or any other social media used by the Chester School District while participating in Peer Leaders	Yes	No
I allow my child to have his/her picture and name in a local newspaper article while participating in Peer Leaders.	Yes	No

Thank you!

Parent Signature

Date

BRMS PEER LEADER APPLICATION

Application Deadline: Friday, August 30, 2019

Name: _____

Please answer the following questions:

1. What extracurricular and / or volunteer activities will you be involved in your 8th grade year? (Include sports, band, choir, jobs, clubs, community service, etc.) _____

2. If your best friend was asked to describe you in five words, those five words would be: _____

3. What do you think are the most important things for teens to know about self care. Why? _____

4. **ESSAY:**

Please answer the following questions in three separate short paragraphs. Your answers **must be typed** and attached to your application.

1. Why do you want to be Peer Leader?
2. How will you benefit from this program?
3. What personal qualities do you feel you bring to the program?

PEER LEADER COMMUNITY SUMMER COMMUNITY SERVICE
(20 Required Hours)

Volunteer hours are times you spend helping someone with no form of payment in return. This does not include helping out at home (aka - responsibilities and chores). Some ideas for volunteer hours include: cleaning community parks, nursing home visits, volunteering at the library or for any organization, tutoring someone, help / leadership position at camp, volunteering to assist at community events, assisting elderly neighbors on a regular basis. You will need to have a signature for each activity to be given credit.

Total Hours:	
Student Signature	
Parent Signature	

Volunteer Activity: _____ Date(s): _____

Number of Hours: _____

Brief description of activity:

Location / Address:

Signature from Parent or Supervisor of Activity:

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