

SADIE NASH LEADERSHIP PROJECT

Welcome to the Sadie Nash Leadership Project! We are a young women's leadership and educational organization. We work with young women ages 14-21 who attend public high schools in all five boroughs of New York City. We offer after school programs during the school year, a summer leadership program, as well as leadership fellowships and internships.

We are currently recruiting for **Leadership Institute**, our year-long after school program. Classes start October 2009 and run until May 2010. Classes meet TWICE a week: once on a school day, and once on Saturday. All classes focus on leadership development and community building and will also integrate women's health and college awareness. **Participants will receive an end-of-year stipend based on their participation and attendance in the group, and are eligible to receive school or community service credit. Leadership Institute participants are eligible to enter the second – more advanced – level of our Summer Institute and are eligible for other SNLP internships and fellowships.**

There are 2 tracks in Leadership Institute. You may choose one:

Track A) Sisterhood Academy – This class will focus primarily on identity and leadership development and will also cover career options, healthy relationships, wellness, and creative self-expression. Using their own lives and experiences as a starting point, young women will examine their identities, explore their families and communities, and critically discuss issues facing young women. They will also build practical skills and knowledge on issues such as health, financial literacy, college awareness, stress management, and job readiness. Through a variety of creative means (spoken word, art, and creative writing), they will express and demonstrate their growing leadership and sense of community and identity. Classes **will meet on Wednesdays 4:30-6:00pm, and Saturdays 12pm-3pm in Brooklyn Heights.**

Track B) Making Waves – This group will focus on social justice, activism and social change. Young women will examine issues in their lives and communities and will explore historical and contemporary female leaders and social justice movements. They will explore theories of leadership development and social change; and through guest speakers, field trips, and project based work, will also become familiar with local government, local leaders, and relevant social justice campaigns in our city. Participants will also develop practical leadership and activist skills such as communication, research and interviewing skills, and organizing skills. As a culminating project, participants will design and execute a social justice youth summit to educate and mobilize their peers around issues of concern to them. Classes **will meet on Thursdays 4:30-6:00pm, and Saturdays 12pm-3pm in Brooklyn Heights.**

To apply, please complete the application on the other side of this paper. Once we receive it, we will invite you to interview with us. Applications are due Tuesday, Sept 29th, 2009. You are also invited to attend an Open House to find out more information. Open Houses will be held in Brooklyn Heights on Friday Sept 25th and Monday Sept 28th, 2009.

We hope you consider applying to Leadership Institute! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. You can reach Shreya Janssens-Sannon at 718.422.8664 or at shreya@sadienash.org.

