

MICHIGAN DISTRICT KEY LEADER FAQs

APRIL 29 – May 1 2022

REGISTRATION WILL OPEN FEBRUARY 1st.

<http://www.downriverwestkiwanis.net/michigan-key-leader.html>

WHAT IS KEY LEADER? Key Leader is Kiwanis District / International's leadership education program for students, primarily in high school. The Key Leader mission is to provide a life-changing experience that inspires young people to achieve their personal best through service leadership.

WHO CAN ATTEND A KEY LEADER EVENT? Events are open to ALL students ages 14 to 18. They do NOT have to belong to a Kiwanis family program, such as Key Club, Builders. There is no limit on the number of participants from the same school. Camp will be cut off at 72 students.

WHAT IS THE SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND? Students will arrive for registration from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday and depart after 11 a.m. on Sunday. All lodging, meals and activities are at the event site during that time. Check out the Key Leader sample weekend agenda on the website www.keyleader.org

WHAT HAPPENS AT A KEY LEADER WEEKEND? The students have large- and small-group activities, with a combination of lectures, discussion, interactive activities that take place indoors and outside. Audio-visual presentations. Every weekend will offer a lot of fun with new friends. Saturday night there will be a dance party along with a campfire and smores.

WHICH ADULTS WILL BE PRESENT DURING THE WEEKEND? A professional Key Leader facilitator will lead the event. This facilitator brings to the program excellent experience working with young people and has successfully completed a training course on the curriculum. Each Kiwanis district provides trained adult volunteers to coordinate the logistics and supervise students. Kiwanis International completes a criminal history background check on all the adults who will be present for the weekend NO exceptions.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST? The all-inclusive **cost is \$260** for each student. Finding funding to attend Key Leader sounds like a tough job. It is NOT! First try to contact your local Kiwanis club and ask for the \$260. sponsorship fee. In case the Kiwanis club has questions have them contact our District Chair, Carol Abadie @cabadiecomcast.net. Anybody can sponsor a student, a school, Kiwanis club, community organization, religious group, family or others can sponsor a student.

REFUNDS / CANCELLATIONS: Cancellations greater than 30 days to event will receive 100% refund, 15 days prior to event will receive 50% refund, less than 2 weeks, no refund will be issued.

ARE THERE STUDENT LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES DURING KEY LEADER? Yes, Students in 11th and 12th grades who have previously attended a Key Leader event may apply to be a student facilitator. When completing the registration, select Student Facilitator as your role. You will receive a questionnaire to complete. You will be notified if you qualify as a Student Facilitator, after your questionnaire is received. The fee for student facilitators is **\$125. We only need 8 Student Facilitators, and these will be filled on a first come, first served basis. If not selected as a Student Facilitator, you will have the option of being a participant for \$260.00.**

HOW DO STUDENTS REGISTER? Registration will open February 1st. Once it is open go to <http://www.downriverwestkiwanis.net/michigan-key-leader.html> or www.key-leader.org and complete the registration form. Be ready to provide basic contact information, including an email address, mailing address, Parent and Emergency Contact information. Students will need to list the adult or club /organization who is paying their fee (the sponsor).

Key Leader has been put under the umbrella of **Michigan District of Key Club International Inc's 501©3. This is great news, since Key Leader is now under MI Dist. Key Club, this will possibly make your financial contributions eligible for a tax deduction, depending on your individual tax circumstances. The EIN (Employer Identification Number) is #46-2392992.**

PAYMENT: After completing the online form, the registration can be paid by check only **Make checks payable to Michigan District of Key Club International Inc, mail to Carol Abadie, 22385 Village Dr., Woodhaven, MI, 48183.**

WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT KEY LEADER? Check for updates on the website www.key-leader.org You can also visit us on Facebook at 2020 Michigan District Key Leader.

Email questions to the Mich. District Chair, Carol Abadie at cabadie@comcast.net Home:734-675-5033/Cell: 734-624-1190.