

# Young Women's Leadership Charter School of Chicago

## 2011-12 Volunteer Opportunities



**Volunteers are a vital component of our success at the Young Women's Leadership Charter School (YWLC) and we welcome your interest in sharing your experience and knowledge with our students.**

### **GUEST SPEAKER SERIES**

Come help our students in courses such as leadership, financial literacy, science, or technology connect their classroom learning to the world at large, or educate our juniors and seniors about the diverse career opportunities available to them.

**Ongoing**

### **TUTORING PROGRAM**

Volunteers attend regular weekday morning sessions and are assigned to help a student in writing, math, science, or any other subject where a student may need help.

**Ongoing**

### **MENTORING PROGRAM**

YW-RISES is a pilot mentoring program for 9th grade students. Guest presenters for Saturday workshops for mentors and mentees will be needed throughout the year.

**Ongoing**

### **CAREER DAY PANELISTS**

Professionals from across Chicagoland explain to students both what they do and how they got there. All YWLC students, in grades 7-12, have the opportunity to ask panelists questions and learn how to achieve their own academic and professional dreams.

**2011 Date: Wednesday, October 19 8:00-11:30 am**

### **FAMILY FAFSA WORKSHOP ASSISTANTS**

The YWLC College Prep department offers FAFSA workshops to our students' families to ensure our students have an opportunity to get the resources needed to attend college. Families are asked to bring their tax forms, and volunteers help parents complete FAFSA forms, following the guidance of a trained professional. Volunteers are asked to have financial aid training to participate.

**2012 Date: Saturday, February 11 10am—12pm**

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*2011 YWLC Graduates celebrate their success.*



*Northwestern University's Dr. Teresa Woodruff with YWLC students.*



*Students pose in front of their social justice projects at YWLC's Girl Power Benefit.*



*Kayla Allen, a YWLC 2011 graduate, will attend Hampton University this Fall.*



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### SCIENCE FAIR JUDGE

Students in each grade level study various aspects of the Chicago River in the field and present their observations, data analysis and findings in the Science Fair. Using a defined rubric, judges and teachers collaborate to evaluate the presentations and displays.

**2012 Date: Wednesday, May 9 8:30-11:30**

### ANNUAL 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TEA PARTICIPANT

Volunteers serve as "guests" at the Annual 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Tea to help evaluate students as they put into practice their newly acquired "code-switching" skills, or the ability to distinguish between one's home language and business language.

**2012 Date: Friday, May 25 2:00-3:30pm**

### COLLEGE MOCK ADMISSIONS INTERVIEWER

In 11<sup>th</sup> grade, students participate in a college mock interview, which is the final step in their College Prep course. Volunteers serve as "mock college admissions officers" on a panel of two volunteer interviewers and one professional college admissions officer.

**2012 Dates: Tu-Th May 29-31 & Monday, June 4 12:30-3:30**

### PROMOTION PRESENTATION EVALUATOR

Students at each grade level give end-of-year presentations. Together with teachers, volunteers give feedback using a rubric that evaluates students' ability to demonstrate independent thinking, articulate what they have learned, and share what they think and know with others.

**2012 Dates: Tu-Th, May 15-17: Senior Presentations at Jenner & Block  
Tu-Th, May 29-31 & Mon, June 4: 7th-11th grades at YWLCs**

### INTERNSHIP & JOB SHADOWS

We're always looking to expand our partnerships and welcome recommendations or referrals for summer internship or fall/spring job shadow hosts across all professional fields.

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

If you are interested in upcoming volunteer opportunities, please contact

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If you are interested in visiting the school, please contact

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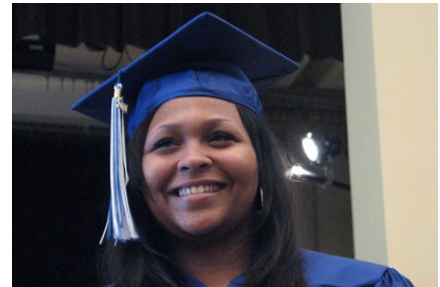
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*Student Speakers at YWLCs' Girl Power Benefit, held every April.*



*One hundred percent of the YWLCs Class of 2011 graduated. Ninety percent of the graduates were accepted into college.*



*YWLCs students at Lobby Day in Springfield with then-Rep. Will Burns.*



*A YWLCs student poses with her self-portrait.*

