



CHARTING THE LIFECOURSE

During the Forum Delegates are asked to develop a LifeCourse Project.

LifeCourse Planning is built upon the core belief that people with disabilities and their families have the right to live, love, work, play and pursue their life aspirations just as others do in their community. Upon completion of their projects, students become eligible for one of **several scholarships** CTYLP has to offer.

“Leaders aren’t born they are made. And they are made just like anything else, through hard work. And that’s the price we’ll have to pay to achieve that goal, or any goal.”

-Vince Lombardi

“YLF taught me how to become a better leader and to live with my disability and to not think of it in a negative way. It also showed me that I am not the only one who lives with the struggles of having a disability.”

- Sarah Savery, 2013 Delegate

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THE CONNECTICUT YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROJECT, INC.

“The most important thing I learned from the experience is that no one can tell me that I won’t succeed in what I want in life. That is why fifteen years later I am still involved with YLF and look forward to that last week in July.”

- Kasi Kelly, 2003 Delegate



The key to the forum is leadership by example. Adults with disabilities who have traveled the same path these young people are facing serve as faculty and staff.

Many other volunteers, some with disabilities and some without, help to make the program a success. Forum alumni take with them an obligation to follow through on goals outlined in “team leadership plans” that they have written for themselves.

Alumni return to the Youth Leadership Project in later years as volunteer staff.

THE PROJECT'S MAIN FOCUS IS THE CONNECTICUT YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM. (YLF)

Our Educational and Motivational Forum involves an intense schedule.



Delegates are selected for their leadership potential. The Youth Leadership Forum includes students who represent diversity based upon geographic location, gender, ethnicity, economic status, and types of disabilities.



Delegates are chosen by a competitive application process.

High school sophomores and juniors with any disability are encouraged to apply. Applications are available on the CTYLP website.



The Forum is sponsored in full; there is **no cost** for delegates to attend.

For more information, to apply or to become a sponsor visit our website at: www.ctylp.org
Youth Leadership Forums are held during the Summer at UCONN, Storrs Campus