# **Community Leadership Workshop (CLeW)**



The Community Leadership Workshop (CLeW) is HOBY's introductory one-day leadership program for high school freshmen that focuses on *leadership* as a discipline to be explored and *learned*. HOBY CLeW students participate in group activities, engage with local community leaders, and conduct community service projects. CLeWs are organized, developed, and implemented by local business leaders, civic groups, volunteers, HOBY partners, and HOBY Alumni. HOBY is always looking for partners to produce a CLeW for local students.

#### **7 EASY STEPS TO ORGANIZE A CLeW**

### 1. Establish a CLeW Planning Committee

Five to ten volunteers typically serve on the committee. The CLeW Chairperson has to be 21 years or older. HOBY provides resources, materials, and training to help with the planning process.

#### 2. Select and Confirm a Date and Location

One day for 6 to 10 hours at a school, community center, clubhouse, church, or other suitable venue.

#### 3. Establish the Budget and Sponsoring Organization(s)

With help from civic organizations and local businesses, a CLeW can be produced for about \$500.

#### 4. Identify School(s) and Invite 9th Graders

Invite freshmen students from all local schools. CLeWs should have a minimum of 25 participants and maximum of 150 participants with a recommended size of 50 to 100.

#### 5. Plan Your CLeW Program

A HOBY CLeW contains these components:

- A minimum of one panel/phase and a maximum of two panels/phases
- One leadership skill development activity, management game, decision making exercise, or simulation
- One Leadership for Service/community volunteer service project
- Life with HOBY session

## 6. Conduct the CLeW

Have fun meeting and engaging with students, business leaders/panelists, and HOBY partners.

### 7. Report Your Success to HOBY

Use HOBY's report template to submit basic information about the program and participants.

#### BENEFITS OF CONDUCTING A CLeW

- Become directly involved with a unique youth leadership program.
- Strengthens the community through leadership and civic awareness among youth.
- Build closer working relationships with high schools.
- Obtain recognition from local civic or service organizations.
- Obtain publicity for your group/organization and HOBY Alumni Associations.
- Easy, low-cost project involving as few or as many volunteers as needed.
- Provides leadership development experience to HOBY Alumni.



#### SAMPLE CLeW PROGRAM

8:45 Student arrival and check-in

9:00 Welcome and orientation

9:15 Group ice-breaker activity

9:30 Motivational speaker

10:30 Panel/Phase

Noon Lunch

**12:45** Leadership skill development activity

1:30 Leadership for Service/ volunteer service project

3:00 Panel/Phase

**4:30** Wrap-up, evaluation, HOBY alumni presentation

5:00 Departure

#### SAMPLE TOPICS

- Volunteerism
- Business (entrepreneurs, small business, ethics)
- Law (crime, juvenile justice, local law enforcement)
- Democratic process (local, state & national government)
- Education
- Media (journalism, public relations)
- Leadership
- Medicine (ethics, research)
- Science & Technology

