

South Carolina Youth Leadership Conference



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A little history and inspiration behind SCYLC

- o The Maine Youth Leadership Seminar
- o The difference between MYLS and SCYLC

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- o **Our mission statement:** “To Engage Young Adults of the State of South Carolina in the Art of Leadership in Helping Them Develop and Enhance Those Skills Necessary to Excel in Their Future Endeavors.”



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SCYLC is a four-day conference designed to foster leadership skills among high school sophomores.



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The conference strives to engage students who have yet to be recognized as leaders. Desired participants are those young people who are well-poised to lead if exposed to training and mentorship.



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How are students selected to attend SCYLC?

Why is the number of students attending greater than the number of schools?

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Other programs on leadership in South Carolina

- o SC Chamber of Commerce Business Week
- o Boys & Girls State
- o HOBY

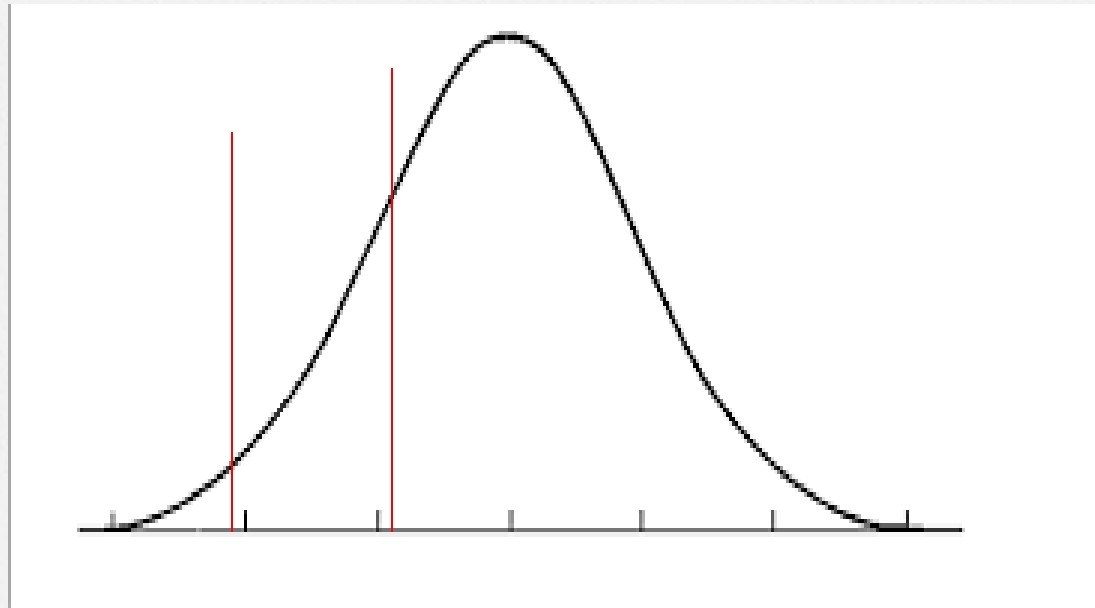


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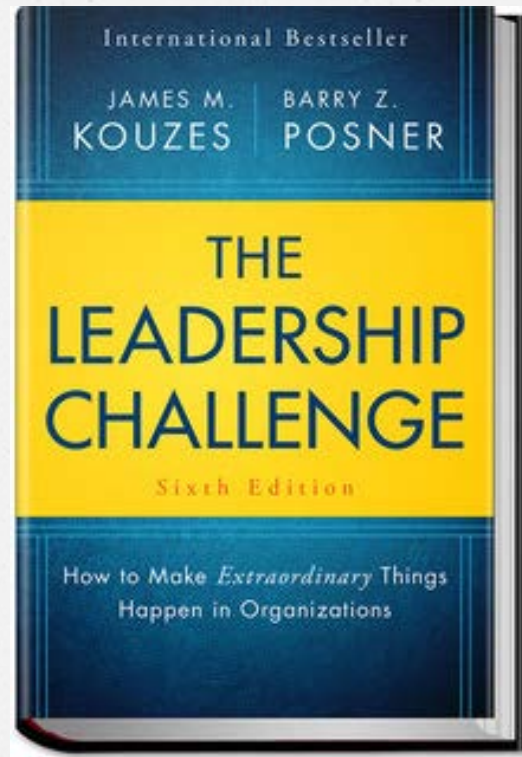
SCYLC compared to other programs on leadership

- o Foundation in characteristics of leadership at end of sophomore year in high school.
- o Not necessarily the “top students.”
- o Ongoing contact to encourage practice of leadership
- o Engage graduates in planning and conduct of conference

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- o Teamwork
- o Communications
- o Health & Leadership
- o Finances
- o Engineering
- o Volunteering
- o Environment
- o Career Discovery



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Faculty of the S. C. Youth Leadership Conference

Danielle Breidung, MEd

Nikita Burks-Hale, MEd

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Lisa Henry, BB&T

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Lt. Col. S. Bates USMC**

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Carleton Dallas

Dr. Caroline Sawyer

Sen. Tom Davis

Maria Walls, CPA

Rep. Jeff Bradley

Ann Colbert

Dr. Chris Marsh

Dr. Dereck Rhoads

Dr. Manuel Sanders

Hannah Horne

Nicole Arnold*

Rhonda Mincey

* Keynote. ** Commencement

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“I absolutely loved it. I had a fantastic time and it was so much better than I expected.

A massive thank you to everyone who helped with this and planned it.

Much love and I hope to see all of you soon.”



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The Volunteer segment held on Saturday mornings is one of the most important.

- ◆ Spanish Moss Trail
- ◆ Coastal Discovery Museum
- ◆ Port Royal Maritime Museum



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The Students Speak Again!

“Nothing like I expected. I honestly expected it to be boring, staid, and for all of us to be ecstatic to leave. Everyone I heard wished it wasn’t over.”



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Feedback from a student's mother:

“When I spoke with my daughter Friday night she was one big run-on sentence. She went on and on about Maya..... and finally, after talking nonstop for about twenty minutes, she inhaled, exhaled, and said she had to go so she could start reading Maya's book!

She didn't call yesterday, only a text stating she had so much to share with us and tell us but was with her friends and would have to share with us on Sunday.

What you are doing is a tremendous blessing to many and will have ripple effects for years to come..... I am confident that her experiences from this conference have helped equip her for success in her new endeavors. Thank you again.”



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May 18 – 21, 2017

University of South Carolina Beaufort's
Hilton Head Gateway Campus

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- o 60 high school sophomores
- o 10 seniors & juniors as class counselors
- o 45 different high schools
- o 20 faculty



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“The TWO biggest problems with SCYLC”

seriously

- o Returning students as class counselors*
- o Returning faculty*



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- o Good Evening Mr. Moss,

- o This is Ashlyn Herring from Socastee High School and I just attended the SCYLC 2017 and I was wondering if there was any way I would be able to come back as a Junior Counselor for the SCYLC 2018. I really enjoyed learning how to be a good leader. I was going to talk to my guidance counselor about starting something at school to try and get more people to step up and become better leaders or just to even get them to come out of their shells a little. I would really appreciate it if I got to come back next year.

- o Dear Mr. Moss

- o I was one of the students from Beaufort High School who went the conference this year and I was wondering if I can return as a counselor next year. I really enjoyed the way it got students my age that are also trying to be leaders to bond and build off one another to better ourselves. I was hoping to not only have another chance to hone my skills as a leader, but also help and encourage others to stand out and be leaders in their community like the counselors did for both me and the other kids at the conference. I hope I will be among those you will consider to be counselors next year.

- o Sincerely,
Jonathan Pozas

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- o Hello,
- o Mr. Bill I thank you for having me there. It was amazing I met new people. Learned a lot and just took every opportunity that I could. It was the best four days of my life. Today I did not want to leave. The junior councilors were amazing. I hung out with them the most. Next year I would LOVE to come back. Not only for me to enjoy it again but to share all the experiences that I had and help people be the best that they can be. Whatever it takes to come back I will do. Also, please let Jackson, Haley, and Steven come back! They were definitely my favorite. Thanks again. Please let me know what it takes. It was a blessing to be there and I know that I am definitely leaving as a better person. I am also joining ytop with Jackson.
- o Good evening Mr. Moss.
- o It is Manuel from the South Carolina Youth leadership conference. I am emailing to express my interest in not only being a junior councilor but also aiding the conference in what ways I can. I thoroughly enjoyed my time at the conference and if possible would like to work with the conference. If I can do anything between now and next year please let me know. Thank you for your time.
- o Sincerely
Manuel Wallick

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o Hello Mr. Moss!

My name is Nayah Lewis and I go to Scholars Academy in Horry County Schools. I talked to you Sunday morning about the possibility of coming back next year as a junior counselor.

This past weekend, I attended SCYLC and when I left, I have never felt more confident in myself and my leadership abilities. I think that this is the most excellent program for young leaders who need help developing their skills to help lead others. I loved the different speakers and how they were able to make us see leadership and teamwork in so many different ways. I doubt I will ever forget my experience there. I made so many new friends and learned so many new things and I would love the opportunity to come back next year as a junior counselor to not only expand my horizons, but to also help those who attend next year expand theirs as well.

If I am being honest, I didn't think that this camp was going to change me the way it did in the beginning. I wasn't expecting to be too surprised. But when we left, I felt like a whole new person. I was more confident, knowledgeable, and proud of myself and what I learned. I have already implemented many things that we learned from the conference and have, for example, decided to take a director's role in a filming project that I have to do for my AP US History class and am working with several students to get support to be in the movie. Also, I am already trying to get in touch with Jackson and my Interact Club to maybe see if there would be any possibility we could help out with YTOP.

Having 2 different conferences would be a great idea saying that so many people are interested in coming to the program and this would help inspire a greater number of young leaders like myself. I want to thank you so much for the opportunity to come this year and I hope you will consider bring me back next year.

Thank you so much,
Nayah Lewis

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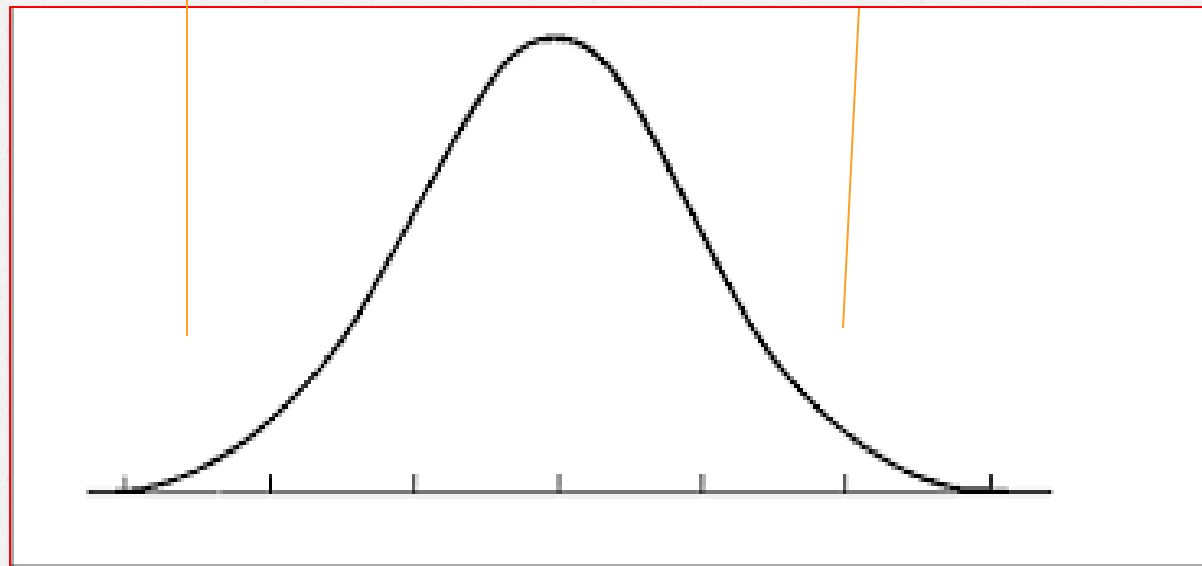
A new initiative this year based on the success of the South Carolina Youth Leadership Conference

Bringing SCYLC to the classroom

Pilot program at Hilton Head Island High School

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Hilton Head Island High School Initiative



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Coming in 2018

Two conferences!

University of South Carolina Beaufort's
Hilton Head Gateway Campus – June 7 – 10, 2018

Clemson University – May 17 – 20, 2018*

* Tentative

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- o Pilot program Hilton Head Island High School
- o Clemson University added as a host site. Will host May 17 - 20.
- o USCB Hilton Head Gateway Campus will host June 7 - 10.
- o Every high school in South Carolina receives a formal invitation.

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A Major Goal of SCYLC

To gain the support and participation of businesses in the State of South Carolina to work with SCYLC in engaging our young adults in ways that lead to developing and enhancing the future workforce.

VIDEO

