

**Young Leaders – Things parents need to know**

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|  | The dates for Young Leaders in 2018 are:  Tues 17 July  Tues 31 July – Wed 1 August  Tues 14 – Wed 15 August  Tues 28 – Wed 29 August |
|  | It is for young people in Calderdale aged 16-17 who have a learning disability or autism, or both. |
|  | The course is residential – there will be three overnight stays. |
|  | This is a new course, based on a leadership course called Tomorrow’s Leaders run for adults with a learning disability, autism or both. |
|  | The course is **free** to participants.  The cost of the course will be met by Inclusion North and Calderdale Local Authority. |
|  | Young Leaders must attend every session of the course. |
|  | The course will be fun, challenging and a chance to make new friends. |
|  | The course is designed to help young people work together, support one another, and learn some of the skills needed to lead and guide others. |
|  | The young leaders on the course will be asked to do some work in between each session. |
|  | As well as learning new skills, there will be a chance to do activities. |
|  | These might include a climbing wall, archery and tobogganing. |
|  | On the course the young leaders will have a course partner. |
|  | They will be someone who helps them on the course. |
|  | Their course partner will be aged 16-17 too. |
|  | We will try to match the young leaders with a course partner who has the same likes and interests as them. |
|  | Like the young leaders, the course partners will need to apply to be part of the course. |
|  | Not everyone will get a place on the course. We only have 8 places for Young Leaders, and 8 places for course partners. |
|  | We will decide who goes onto the course based on their application. |
|  | We want to make sure that the course is right for the young people who apply. |
|  | If your son or daughter applies and doesn’t get a place on the course, we will still work with them to see what other opportunities are available. |
|  | Young leaders and course partners need to apply by 20th April 2018. |
|  | We will get back to the applicants by 4th May 2018 to let them know if they have a place on the course or not. |