

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Where will the seminar be held?** The seminar will take place at Florida State University Cawthon Hall 119 Honors Way, Tallahassee, FL 32304.
- **When will the seminar be held?** Seminar participants may register any time after 1:00pm but before 2:30pm on Thursday, May 31st, 2018. The seminar will begin with Ambassador Orientation on May 31st at 2:30pm and conclude with Closing Ceremonies on June 3rd from 12:00pm to 1:00pm. ***You must be present for the entire seminar, including overnight.***
- **Where should I go when I arrive?** Enter the facility through the designated entrance and proceed to the registration table. Several HOBY volunteer committee members will greet you, guide you to the registration table, and check you in.
- **What kind of program is planned?** During your HOBY Leadership Seminar, many dynamic leaders—all volunteers from the fields of business, education, government, and other professions—will address aspects of our changing world and the challenges future leaders will confront. The program will not promote any specific political party, religion, or way of thinking; but is designed to develop critical thinking skills by actively involving participants in discussions and informal debate. During the seminar, you will be asked to undertake a community service project(s) involving at least 100 hours during the year following your seminar, to make a difference in your school, community, place of worship, or other environment where you see a need. The program also includes outstanding speakers, leadership activities, social events, and a special closing ceremony to which your parents are invited.
- **What are the accommodations like?** Participants will be assigned to dorm rooms with two to four participants per room on floors reserved exclusively for the seminar. Ambassadors are responsible for bringing their own pillows, blankets, towels, and toiletries (Please see suggested packing list). Everyone will receive nutritious breakfasts, lunches, and dinners. Please eat lunch prior to arrival on June 1st. On the Medical History Records Form, please indicate any special dietary considerations, including vegetarianism, and we will do our best to accommodate you.
- **What if I need to take medication while I am at the seminar?** Please provide information about your medication on the Medical History Records Form and bring the Physician Medication Verification Form with you to the seminar (documents are included in this form set). Make sure to read and comply with the Policy for Use of Medication During a HOBY Event.
- **If necessary, how may I be contacted during the seminar?** Parents, friends, and family members are discouraged from calling students during the seminar due to the disruption caused to panels and activities. In case of emergency, your parent(s) or guardian may call Augustus Fulton-Wiley IV at (850) 304-6001 and/or Trent Smith (850) 896-3224. The seminar will be chaperoned by qualified adults who will be staying at the facility 24 hours a day.

- **Who pays for the seminar?** Your school or parent has paid a Registration Fee and will provide transportation to and from the seminar. All costs for meals, lodging and training materials have been generously provided by sponsors throughout our state, including businesses, foundations, individuals, and service organizations wishing to support leadership education.
- **What should I wear at the seminar?** Dress is casual. Please wear your high school t-shirt for the events on Thursday night. A HOBY T-shirt will be provided to the Ambassadors at registration. Shirts will be collected at night, washed, and returned to the Ambassador at the beginning of the next day. Long pants or jeans are required for Friday while visiting the State Capitol Building and are suggested for Saturday while performing community service activities. Closed toed walking shoes are a requirement for the entire weekend. Clothing and footwear worn to the community service events on Saturday may become soiled. Please bring appropriate clothing. If HOBY staff members deem an Ambassador's attire to be too revealing or inappropriate for the activity they are participating in, the Ambassador will be asked to change. See the suggested packing list for more information.
- **What about religious services?** An optional non-denominational service will be available on Sunday morning for Ambassadors that choose to attend. We are unable to accommodate requests to attend off-campus religious services.
- **What transportation arrangements have been made?** You are responsible for your transportation **to and from the seminar**. Please include all details of your itinerary on the enclosed Participant Confirmation Form. If you have last minute transportation problems, please notify Augustus Fulton-Wiley IV at (850) 304-6001 and/or Trent Smith (850) 896-3224.
- **What if I am unable to attend the seminar?** If circumstances arise that prevent you from attending the entire seminar, including overnight, we would like to give another student the opportunity to attend. Please return these forms to the person at your school who selected you and follow up with a call to Augustus Fulton-Wiley IV at (850) 304-6001 and/or Trent Smith (850) 896-3224.
- **Who may I contact should I have additional questions?** Additional questions or concerns should be directed to Augustus Fulton-Wiley IV at (850) 304-6001 and/or Trent Smith (850) 896-3224 leadership@northfloridahoby.org.
- **What action should I take now?** With your parent or guardian, carefully review, complete and sign the forms in this set by April 14th, 2017. After you submit your registration forms, you will receive an e-mail confirming your registration. Start collecting empty printer cartridges, pop tabs, canned foods, and children's books and find the North Florida HOBY page on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/groups/NorthFloridaHOBY/.