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Leadership Application

A lot is expected of the leadership for eNVision. In the past, we have had members who sacrificed a good deal of their time and energy to help make this program into what it is today; one that people look up to as professional and with great respect. This job is to be taken seriously as a lot is expected from fellow members, alumni, director, staff, fans, sponsors, and community.

Before you fill out and return an application, ask yourself this question: Are you doing this for the betterment of the program, or to feed your ego? Are you applying for a position because you think it will be glamorous or make you popular within the group? Or are you truly interested in helping this group continue to lead the community and continue a standard of excellence?

Every year the applications come in and everyone goes for the “marquee” positions. The other positions are tough to fill with qualified and dedicated individuals because they are deemed unimportant by the membership. Please remember the old adage: “If you find someone doing little things well, put him/her in charge of bigger things.” Special consideration will always be given to those who have demonstrated the ability to do the “little” jobs well. Keep that in mind if you are a younger member of the organization and would like to be a leader. Understand your limitations and don’t apply for a position you know you aren’t ready for.

Please remember that as a leader, you will be expected to be at everything related to eNVision. Conflicts like work, college visitations, outside clubs, sports, family events and the like are where you are expected to make sacrifices for if necessary. Leadership is the first to arrive and last to leave.

Member leadership will be chosen by the Director (while taking into consideration input from staff members). Understand that if you are not chosen it does not mean that you are not a qualified applicant. There are many talented and experienced members.

The primary role of a student leader is to motivate his or her section to do their best. You should see yourself as a mentor to the members of your section and in a service role for the organization. Good leadership qualities include: sense of humor, passionate interest in music, dance, and performing, high energy level, tolerance of changing moods, knowing how to listen, creative, enthusiasm, self-confidence, appreciation of success, sensitive to the needs of others, optimism, and treating people how you would like to be treated.

Remember, this organization will not continue to be successful without assistance from member leadership.

Responsibilities of Member Leadership

It is the responsibilities of ALL eNVision leadership to oversee and enforce rehearsal etiquette to make sure rehearsal and sectionals run smoothly. It is your obligation to communicate with the director regarding questions or concerns of anyone in the ensemble.

Section Captains: You are responsible for checking your sections equipment and uniform on show days (everything clean and “show day” ready, equipment loaded on truck and uniform packed), setting up and running weekly sectionals (on non-camp weeks), running sectionals at rehearsals (in the absence of staff), to make sure your section is up-to-par with anything performance related (music, drill, etc.) and to take care of the “little things.” You are also responsible for rehearsal space maintenance.

Leadership Application is due no later than August 24, 2015

1. Please provide at least 3 references with contact information (non-family members).
2. Please answer the following questions in essay format. Be informative and concise.
 - Why should you be a leadership member for eNVision?
 - What skills do you possess that will allow for you and the members you lead to be successful?
 - How will you be effective during rehearsals, sectionals, and performances?
 - What have you done up to this point to earn the respect of your peers and to convince them that you are a leader?
 - What would the perfect rehearsal look like? Describe in detail.
 - What does eNVision mean to you?
 - Do you have ideas on how to improve the eNVision experience?
 - You may add additional comments that you feel are relevant.
3. Please choose an organization service project to be completed before final acceptance as a leader. Examples are: Update booth display collage to represent “where we’ve been” to complete strangers, inventory all equipment and make sure it is properly branded, or get documented pictures/count/information for past uniforms to put up for sale. Be creative.

In order to be considered as a possible leader with eNVision, you must agree to:

- Always lead by example.
- Attend monthly leadership meetings and necessary leadership training.
- Complete this application and return it no later than August 24, 2015.
- Support the director, staff, and organization with the utmost dedication, devotion, and loyalty.
- Be prepared to have an active role on and off the floor; your actions will be conducive to success.
- If not chosen, I will assume my regular role in the group and give full cooperation to the director, staff, and leadership selected.

I intend to be committed to the eNVision organization for the upcoming year regardless of the outcome of this leadership application. I understand that if I make this commitment and do not honor it, it will negatively impact my fellow members, the director, staff, and organization.

Signature of Member _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if under 18) _____ Date _____

Printed Name and Relation _____
