

Be a Leader

"I've learned how to make a difference in my community and be more confident in myself." – Leneya, age 12

Learn New Skills

"I have been in AFYW for 3 years. I have improved my public speaking skills, gained confidence, friends and have become inspired to do well in school." ---Rebecca, age 17

MAKE NEW FRIENDS

"My AFYW experience was amazing! I made so many new friends, even my BFF!" ---Jess, age 13

EMPOWER

YOURSELF

"I learned so much about myself, my peers and my community. I love the new ME!" ---Natasha, age 16

ACCESS for YOUNG WOMEN

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Access for Young Women (AFYW) is now in its 24th year of providing valuable leadership opportunities to young women ages 11-18. The program has demonstrated proven results in increasing girl's self-esteem, academic performance, leadership skills, and knowledge of gender issues.

AFYW provides an intensive 30 week leadership development curriculum that includes training in public speaking, problem solving, goal setting and critical thinking. The young women also address important issues affecting their lives such as body image, identity, global issues, relationships, and social media. The program culminates with an Annual Youth Leadership Conference organized and facilitated by the young women to educate their peers and spread awareness on issues of importance to them.

How to apply:

Participants must be young women ages 11-18 interested in community service and leadership development.

The program runs from October 2017 through May 2018 once a week for group meetings on one of the following days:

Tuesdays from 4:30-6:30, 11th-12th grade/ages 16-18
Thursdays, from 4:30-6:30, 9th -10th grade/ages 14-15
Fridays, from 4:00-6:00, 6th-8th grade/ ages 11-13

Participants will be eligible to earn up to 60 hours of community service credit upon completion of the program.

Interested participants may apply by emailing Sarah Faber, Leadership Coordinator at SFaber@qchnyc.org for an application.

Questions? 718-592-5757 x221 & ask for Sarah