



**Student Profile**  
**Robert B. Sturm Youth Leadership Mission**  
**to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.**  
**March 15 – March 18, 2009**

The Robert B. Sturm Youth Leadership Mission to Washington, D.C. will consist of delegates from the Mountains States and Plains States Regional Offices. In Denver, 20 high school sophomores and juniors interested in fostering understanding among diverse groups will be selected through an application process. Two alternates will be selected in the event of cancellations.

The students **must** commit to:

- Two mandatory meetings prior to the Mission:
  1. Delegate & Family Orientation General Information Meeting – February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
  2. Delegate Trip Planning & Mission Overview – February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.
- Participation in the Robert B. Sturm Youth Leadership Mission: March 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- Completion of a follow-up project (story, essay, video, poem, etc.) on their experience
- Participation in a group, community-wide project and follow-up activities throughout the year following the trip

The Mission will be provided at no cost and will include airfare, hotel, food, all tours and programs. Although there is no cost to the participants, applicants must agree to the above commitments. **The Youth Leadership Mission is not simply a “free trip.” It is a three and a half day intense learning opportunity. Due to the commitment all delegates must be advised that ALL meetings are mandatory (e.g. orientations, project presentations and community project).**

The strength of the Mission is the diversity of the students and their ability to discuss issues of race, religion, ethnicity, socio-economic status, etc. The students' leadership potential, their willingness to share the experience, and their willingness to actively participate in and lead group discussions regarding prejudice, stereotyping, and discrimination will be considered in the selection process.

*Participants will be expected to be ambassadors; carrying the lessons they learn on the Mission back to their own schools and to other teens, participating in programs provided by ADL, and to take an active role in presenting what they have learned to the Denver community throughout the year following the Mission.*

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**For additional copies of the Robert B. Sturm Youth Leadership Mission application, please go to the ADL Plains States Region website at <http://regions.adl.org/plains-states/programs/anti-bias-education-and.html>**