

GETTING THE MOST FROM SLA

PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

The Sunrise Leadership Academy (SLA) is a civics engagement program with the ultimate goal of fostering a new generation of informed, civic-minded leaders. All seven (7) SLA sessions include fun learning exercises, speakers, engaging discussions, service learning project, volunteer opportunities, and service hours.

SESSIONS

SLA will include seven (7) weekday sessions and a Sunrise City Commission recognition (graduation). For virtual sessions students must arrive at 9:15 am for SHARP for check-in, networking, quick energizer, and lesson. Sessions take place from 9:15 am to 10:50 am on Thursdays. With a <u>mandatory 20-minute orientation</u> prior to the the first session. Sessions – 2/11, 2/25, 3/11, 3/25, 4/8, 4/22, 5/6; Graduation – 5/11.

ATTENDANCE (Virtual and In-Person)

In order to (a) receive service hours, (b) have a written letter of recommendation from a program facilitator, (c) be awarded a certificate of completion, and (d) participate in **SLA graduation** ceremony – participants must attend *six out of the seven sessions*. In the event of an absence, a note from the student's parent/guardian, physician or school administrator must be provided. Please note, it is EXTREMLY IMPERATIVE for students to attend ALL SESSIONS, participate, and be camera ready - *as each session feeds off of the previous session*.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentations are themed around career readiness, entrepreneurism, personal finance/wealth building, social media etiquette, self-care and leadership. All sessions are set to prepare you to be a young adult. During presentations, please hold questions until the end of presentation and place all electronics on mute.

ATTIRE

Business casual attire is required for each session. Participants will be provided with an SLA polo shirt (picked up during a drive thru at the Civic Center), which *must be worn at each session*. Jeans are not permitted. Khaki slacks/skirt and *comfortable dress shoes* are recommended. More comfortable attire may be suggested for specific sessions; please refer to each session's agenda for details.

ELECTRONICS

Out of respect for staff/guest speakers, electronic devices must be on silent mode/out of sight during sessions.

FUTURE COHORTS

To allow other interested students to participate, we are limiting SLA participation to one-time opportunity. After graduation, **SLA Alumni** are able to come back and host sessions or hands-on exercises.

EMERGENCIES

Students are required to submit a Registration and Release Form that includes emergency contact information. If an emergency arises, family members or school personnel may contact the SLA Program Liaisons, Sady Diaz at (305) 761.1258 (sdiaz@sunrisefl.gov) and/or Ezechiel Dezine (786) 718.9549 EDezine@sunrisefl.gov.

Please note: As a participant in the SLA, you agree to abide by the code of conduct established for the program.

SPECIFICS FOR YOUNG MEN'S BUSINESS CASUAL ATTIRE

SHIRTS

SLA polo shirts (always tucked in) will be worn to all seven (7) sessions. Please note shirt shall not be altered, cropped or embellished.

PANTS

Dark colored or khaki pants (pressed)

ACCESORIES

- Shoes: Dress shoes should be worn. No sandals, athletic shoes or hiking boots. Appropriate colors are black, navy and brown. (To coordinate with your other attire and accessories.)
- Socks: Wear dark socks, mid-calf length so no skin is visible when you sit down.
- Belt: Belt should coordinate with shoes.
- Jewelry: Conservative watch and no earrings. Multiple/colorful bracelets and necklaces are not appropriate. Keep your choices simple and leaning towards being conservative.
- Hats: No hats are permitted indoors.

SUPPLIES

 Supplies: Each SLA participant will be provided a binder, notebook, highlighters, and pencils/pens to be utilized for each session.

SPECIFICS FOR YOUNG WOMEN'S BUSINESS CASUAL ATTIRE

SHIRTS

SLA polo shirts (always tucked in) will be worn to all seven (7) sessions. Please note shirt shall not be altered, cropped or embellished.

PANTS

Dark colored or khaki pants (pressed).

SKIRT

Length: Khaki skirt (pressed) will be at or below the knee. Skirts shall not be fitted, cropped or embellished. Your skirt should come at least to your knees while you are standing. A long skirt should not be slit to above the knee, it is not appropriate.

ACCESORIES

- Shoes: Dress shoes should be worn. No sandals, athletic shoes or hiking boots. Appropriate colors are black, navy and brown. (To coordinate with your other attire and accessories.)
- Belt: Should coordinate with shoes.
- Jewelry: Conservative watch and small earrings. Multiple/colorful bracelets and necklaces are not appropriate. Keep your choices simple and leaning toward conservative due to the environment.
- Hats: Absolutely under no condition are hats permitted indoors.

COSMETICS

Keep makeup at a minimum (conservative and natural looking).

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