



SUNRISE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The **Sunrise Leadership Academy (SLA)** was launched by the City of Sunrise in 2009, to give Sunrise students an up-close view of municipal operations and explore their unique role in our diverse community. SLA consists of seven (7) sessions and and recognition by the City of Sunrise (May graduation).

The mission of the program is to foster a safe/fun environment for young adults to become informed, engaged and active civic-minded leaders. Sessions will take place virtually on the GoTo Meeting Platform on a Thursday (from February - May). Virtual sessions will take place from 9:15 am to 10:50 am. The sessions will include activities, speakers, and engaging discussion for participants.

Students will have a total of seven (7) themed sessions as follows:

- **Session 1** – 2/11/2021: Squad Goals
- **Session 2** – 2/25/2021: Self-Care/Wellness/Time Management
- **Session 3** – 3/11/2021: You Are A Brand/What Legacy Do You Want to Leave Behind?
- **Session 4** – 3/25/2021: Career Exploration
- **Session 5** – 4/8/2021: Personal Finance/Budgeting/Wealth Building
- **Session 6** – 4/22/2021: Growing Entrepreneurs (*Potentially In Person)
- **Session 7** – 5/6/2021: What You Got/Learning Lessons (*Potentially In Person)

Under the Sunrise Leadership Academy program guidelines, only Sunrise area students who pool from three area schools may participate in the program (**Piper, Western and Plantation High Schools**). In addition, SLA participants must have:

- A minimum grade point average of 3.2;
- An interest in government/advocacy;
- Junior or Senior within Sunrise area school;
- Completed a minimum of 10 hours of volunteer service; and
- Attend 6 out of the 7 sessions in order to graduate from program.

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