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Dare to Dream Student Leadership Conference May 21, 2012 - Rutgers University

In preparation for the *Dare to Dream Student Leadership Conference 2012*, we're recruiting students to attend or present workshops and keynote presentations. The student leadership conference have long been a positive and empowering experience for thousands of New Jersey students.

This year's conference Monday, May 21, at Rutgers University will be targeting the community of New Jersey high school students living with neurological conditions such as Tourette Syndrome, OCD, ADHD, Asperger's Syndrome and other associated disorders.

The New Jersey Office of Special Education is partnering with the New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome & Associated Disorders to develop this unique opportunity for students in transition to focus on the importance of student self-advocacy and leadership.

The conference will feature presentations from students and adults with neurological disorders who have demonstrated exemplary self-advocacy and leadership skills. Additionally, the conference program includes a variety of concurrent breakout sessions that provide attendees insight into the transition and self-advocacy process.

Students also will participate in peer-led workshops, including goal-setting, self-discovery, student self-advocacy and planning for the future. Parents are welcome to attend with their district or with their child if the district cannot provide transportation.

If you are a teacher and are interested in having your students participate in the conference this year, please contact the New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome & Associated Disorders at 908-575-7350 to coordinate your district's role prior to completing the registration. There is no charge for the conference.

Priority registration is given to districts that have students presenting a breakout session or keynote presentation. Contact Bob Haugh at 609-633-6431 if you need resource materials for developing a breakout session or have any other questions.

If you are interested in presenting a workshop and/or keynote presentation, on the next page, please provide the requested information to assist in the conference planning:



*Dare to Dream
Student Leadership*



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Please fill out the following information:

Contact Person _____

District _____

Work Phone # _____

Cell Phone # _____

E-mail _____

General Session Presentation

- Talent/musical performance (8:45-9:10 a.m. or 12:30–1:30 p.m.)
- Keynote (3-4 minute student speech during the opening session)

Student's name(s) _____

Topic _____

Possible Breakout Session Topics

- Preparing for Life after High School (college/vocational school, career, community)
- Self-Discovery
- Learning Styles
- Career Exploration
- Dealing with My Disability
- Self-Advocacy, IEP, etc.
- Any other relevant topic _____

Please return this form to:

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