



Application Form: 2018 FosterClub All-Star Internship

Instructions: Please answer the following questions, and provide a paragraph or two for the essay questions. Please Note: Answers submitted are neither right nor wrong. Our goal is to select an All-Star team that reflects diversity in culture, race, educational experience, skills, personal qualities, and foster care background. Just do your best to answer honestly, and represent your true self!

All questions with an asterisk () must be answered.*

1. I understand that it is recommended to download the Word or pdf copy of the Application form, and compose my answers BEFORE I submit it through this webform. It is also recommended that I have save the application for my own records in case of technical difficulties. Once I submit, I cannot add to this Application at a later time.*

Yes ____

2. I understand that I need two recommendations written by two adults that know me well and that the recommendations must be submitted online through www.FosterClub.org (they **cannot** be mailed or faxed).*

Yes ____

3. I understand that I must fully complete this application **AND** have two recommendations submitted online by February 20, 2018, to be considered for the All-Star Internship.*

Yes ____

4. I understand this application may require two hours to complete.*

Yes ____

5. I understand that FosterClub staff members may contact me regularly after I submit this application. When you apply for this position, you will automatically become a member of FosterClub. Please email youngleaders@fosterclub.com if you would like to opt-out.*

Yes ____

This year the Internship is offered in two sessions, both held at Seaside, Oregon with some national travel. Session A is from May 24 until July 12, and Session B is from July 5 until August 24 (dates subject to slight adjustment). Please select which dates work best for you below. If you are a student, please select the session that may best fit your school's summer break.

Session A: May 24- July 12

Session B: July 5 - August 24

I'm flexible: I can attend either session

2018 FosterClub All-Star Program

Part 1: Basic Info

Legal First Name (as it appears on your ID):*

Legal Last Name (as it appears on your ID):*

Nick Name or Preferred Name:

FosterClub Username (if you have one):

Birthdate:*

Age at internship start date:

Street Address:

City:

State*:

Zip:

Were you in foster care in a different state than the one you are living currently? Please list any states where you spent time in foster care*:

Main Phone Number:

Alternate Phone Number (in case your main number isn't working):

Main Email Address:

Alternate Email Address (in case your main email isn't working):

Facebook URL if you have one (go to your own profile and copy from the web address bar and paste here):

From the above, which is your preferred method of communication?:

- Phone Call
- Text
- Email

What was your sex at birth? (optional):

- Male
- Female
- Intersex

Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation? (optional):

- Bisexual
- Gay
- Heterosexual/straight
- Lesbian
- Questioning
- Pansexual
- Asexual
- Prefer no labels
- Something else:
- Not sure about my sexual orientation
- Not sure what this question means

What is your gender? (optional):

- Girl/Woman
- Boy/Man
- Another Gender:

Do you consider yourself to be transgender?

- No, I am not transgender
- Yes, I am a transgender girl (assigned male at birth and identify myself as a girl)
- Yes, I am a transgender boy (assigned female at birth and identify myself as a boy)
- Yes, I identify as non-binary, genderqueer or another term
- Not sure whether I am transgender
- Not sure what this question means

What is your gender expression (a person's appearance, style or dress may be interpreted as gender expression)? (optional):

- Very Feminine
- Mostly Feminine
- Somewhat Feminine
- Equally feminine and masculine
- Somewhat Masculine
- Mostly Masculine
- Very Masculine

Which pronouns do you use?

- She/Her
- He/Him
- They/Them
- Something else: _____

Race or ethnicity (optional):

- Black
- White
- Asian and Pacific Islander
- Hispanic
- Native American/First Nations
- Other (please specify):

Is English your first language (optional)? Yes No

Native language, if English is not your first language (optional):

Have you applied for the FosterClub All-Star program previously?

- No
- Yes – This is my second time in applying
- Yes – This is at least my third time in applying

Part 2: Education & Career

What is your education status?

- Still in High School
- Working on GED
- Graduated from High School
- Obtained GED
- Enrolled in College
- Graduated from College
- Graduate Student
- Other (please specify)

Name of last school attended (current school if still attending):

Most recent GPA:

What are your educational goals?

Employment History

Current or prior employer:

Time employed:

Supervisor's name:

Company phone:

Job description:

What are your career goals?

Part 3: Leadership & Advocacy

What advocacy activities are you involved with?

- Serve as a member of Youth Advisory Board or Council
 - Name of Advisory Board:
- Speak to foster parents, caseworkers, judges or others (CASA, GAL, etc)
- Share my story with other foster youth
- Educate policymakers on foster care and the impact it has
- Other: _____

Can you describe your role in the activities you listed above?

*For example - do you hold a leadership position on the youth board and what have you been working on?
How have you provided perspective to foster parents, caseworkers, etc?*

Part 4: Essay Questions:

Essay 1: Describe your leadership and volunteer activities. Include specifics about the types of activities you participated in, and the organizations that you worked with.

Essay 2: List and describe any honors or awards that you have received.

Essay 3: How have your experience(s) prepared you for working with and mentoring other foster youth?

Essay 4: Why is it important that young people in foster care have an opportunity to improve the foster care system, and also support their peers in foster care?

Part 5: Foster Care Experience

Are you still in foster care? Yes No

Number of years in foster care:

Date exited foster care (It's okay to guess):

Current living situation:

Foster home

School

On my own

Shelter

Adoptive home

Relative home

Group home

Other (please specify):

Are you currently in an Independent Living Program? Yes No

Please identify a recent caseworker:

Name:

Organization:

City and State:

Phone:

Email:

Which foster care issue(s) would you be interested in advocating around? *Check as many that apply.*

- adoption
- failed adoption
- reunification with biological parent
- immigration
- lgbtq identity in foster care
- involvement in court process
- cultural identity in foster care
- personal mental health challenges
- parental mental health challenges
- psychotropic medications
- challenges with peer or romantic relationships because of foster care
- moving to multiple schools because of foster care
- incarcerated parent
- sex trafficking
- preventing entry into foster care (i.e. if parent had more help)
- personal substance abuse
- parental substance abuse
- juvenile justice or incarceration
- residential facilities such as group home or treatment center
- kinship (relative) foster care
- aging out of foster care
- homelessness

- sibling separation
- other:

Choose one of the above elements you selected and share how you would like to be involved in making a change or sharing your experiences.

Essay 5: Provide a brief background of your foster care experience (number of homes, types of placements, ages while in care, etc.). Please include your current foster care status (emancipated, adopted, guardianship, still in foster care, etc.).

Essay 6: How have you been successful living independently? If you are not yet living independently, how are you planning for living on your own after foster care? What are your goals for continued independent living?

Essay 7: Please share one difficult challenge you've faced within your foster care experience.

Essay 8: How has being in the foster care system been a positive experience?

Part 6: Personal Perspective

Essay 9: Please describe an experience from your own life where you interacted with someone who was much different than you based on race, disability, religion, political views, or sexual identity.

Essay 10: Why are you interested in becoming a FosterClub All-Star?

Essay 11: What are your hobbies and interests? What do you like to do in your spare time?

Part 7: General:

List any limitations you may have which could affect your participation in the entire summer program (e.g. dates not available to attend, work obligations, school begins before internship is complete, etc.). Also list any health concerns, including allergies and medications taken.

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? (Note: this does not necessarily make you ineligible for the All-Star program. We consider each case individually.) If you have been convicted of a crime, please include as many details as possible, including your age at the time of the crime)?

Yes No If "Yes", please provide details:

Some states and organizations have chosen to Sponsor an All-Star Position. Youth selected for these “Sponsored All-Star Positions” will be required to fulfill extra obligations throughout the year, such as speaking to groups, working with other youth, or serving on an Advisory Board.

All of these activities could be scheduled, but only if they do not interfere with school and/ or work. If you are selected for a sponsored All-Star Position, are you able to make a one-year commitment to the All-Star Program? Yes No

How did you first hear about the All-Star program?

- Caseworker
- Youth board
- Another youth
- Foster parent or caregiver
- Partner organization
- Past All-Star
- Website
- Other:

Emergency point of Contact:

Name:

Relation to you:

Phone :

E-mail:

Part 8: Certifications

I certify that the information in this Application form is true and complete, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

If I am not selected as an All-Star, please consider this Application for FosterClub's Outstanding Young Leader recognition. (Circle One)

Yes No

Signature of Applicant:

Name of one supportive adult who will write a recommendation (optional):

Name of second supportive adult who will write a recommendation (optional):