

DofE Young Leaders Programme



We are really excited about our DofE Young Leaders Programme. The programme is a key part of our new strategy, ensuring we put young people at the heart of what we do and is a tool to support centres to achieve this. The programme is a great opportunity for further youth participation in the DofE generally, and your centre in particular.

Each centre which is part of the programme has two places on the DofE Young Leaders Programme. These young people will be trained by the DofE directly online, supported by their DofE Leader with what activities they will be undertaking, and the Young Leader will support the DofE provision in their own centre.

There is a wide range of activities Young Leaders can support with, from promotion to mentoring to managing the Kit Store. It's entirely up to the DofE Leaders and the DofE Young Leaders as what is appropriate for their organisation.

Young Leaders can use this opportunity for their Volunteering section if the timescales are met. This opportunity is fully funded by the DofE and there is no cost to the young person or centre. The programme is a great development opportunity for young people who take on the role and will also support many other young people within your centre.

This toolkit is designed to support DofE Leaders to engage with the Young Leaders Programme, provide relevant tools and information.

Aims of our DofE Young Leaders Programme:

- Developing participants' leadership skills further and contributing to their personal development
- Putting young people at the heart of what centres do, in line with our Youth Without Limits strategy
- Empowering young people to make a difference in their centre
- For young people to provide support within their centre to benefit other DofE participants

For your young people to register they will need to go to the following page:

DofE.org/YoungLeaders-Registration

They will need to use the password:
youngleadersregistration



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DofE Young Leaders Programme Overview

Key Information:

- The programme runs for up to a year, however, can be shorter and a Young Leaders programme will end once they attend an Exit session.
- It's fully funded by DofE
- It can be used towards the Volunteering section, if timescales are met
- Young people must be enrolled for their DofE programme with at least one section completed OR have achieved an Award OR received a Certificate of Achievement and within the DofE programme age

Stage 1

- DofE centre selects two DofE Young Leaders through their chosen method
- DofE Leader gives selected Young Leaders booking link for registering for the DofE Young Leaders Programme

Stage 2

- Young Leaders complete online booking process for 'Introduction to DofE Young Leaders Programme' session and are confirmed onto the programme
- For under 18s, parental permission is automatically requested

Stage 3

- Young Leaders are sent details for their new eDofE and change the status from new to active by logging in to the account.

Young people will then be invited to join the learning platform and start their learning.

Stage 4

- Young people will attend an online action planning session, and receive a pin badge in the post
- Young Leaders meet with their DofE Leader to agree what activities they will undertake
- Based on this discussion, Young Leaders will pick optional training modules to support their activities

Stage 5

- Young Leaders undertake their activities under the guidance of their DofE Leader

Stage 6

- Towards the end of their time on the programme, Young Leaders will book onto their Exit session
- Upon completion of the Exit session, Young Leaders will be sent a certificate as evidence of completion of the programme



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