***This section is to be completed by the applicant.***

**Name: Last:**                                                                      **First:**                                                            **M.I.:**

**Address:**                                                                           **City/ State/ Zip:**                                                                 

**Email Address:**                                                                                        **Preferred Phone:**

*\*Two references for each applicant must be returned to your school with the application and the essay. One reference should be a teacher in your school. Another reference should be someone in the community who knows you well. This may be a coach, school administrator, church member or other community leader. Please give each person you are asking to be a reference an envelope for their form. Follow-up with your references* ***before the deadline.***

**To the Reference:**

The person named above is an applicant for the *Hawkinsville-Pulaski County Youth Leadership Academy.*  *Youth Leadership Academy* is an educational program designed to nurture and enhance the skills of students from our community who wish to impact the future. *Youth Leadership Academy* offers rare opportunities to interact with community leaders and explore issues, concerns, and activities of our community.

The goals of *Youth Leadership Academy* are to:

* Present in-depth programs that acquaint participants with community needs, problems and resources and allow interaction with community leaders and decision makers;
* Provide opportunities for students from different school environments to get to know one another and develop mutual trust and respect;
* Foster students’ interests in the community and in voluntary activities; and,
* Identify and develop leadership skills.

Your assistance is gratefully appreciated.

Please complete the following questionnaire and return it to the applicant in the envelope provided by **September 29, 2019**.

**Name of Reference:**

**Position/Title:**

**School/ Firm/ Organization:**

**City:**                                                                                             **State:                  Zip:**

1. **How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?**

1. **How does the applicant exhibit the following?**

***Concern for Others:***  *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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***Responsibility*:**

***Maturity:***

***Interaction with Peers:*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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1. **What other leadership qualities do you see in the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
2. **How will participation in this program benefit the applicant?**

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1. **Additional Comments:**

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**Signature of Reference:**                                                                                                       **Date:**

**Printed Name of Reference: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**