

October 7, 2015

Dear Friend,

The NFJC of WNY, Inc. is pleased to announce the offering of its annual High School youth leadership retreat program, the **Community Build: Institute for Inclusion**. This is a weekend-long residential program, fully staffed by NFJC facilitators, that utilizes the power of human interaction to help students examine the nature and responsibility of establishing healthy relationships with those of different backgrounds. This is a great opportunity to further develop your student leaders and enhance their knowledge of Diversity Issues, Bullying Issues, and Social Cliques. Participants will reflect the diversity found within the WNY Region, and they will bring back to their schools a strengthened commitment to improving their communities.

The Institute will be offered from November 20-22, 2015 on the St. Bonaventure University Campus, St. Bonaventure, NY (approximately an hour and a half drive from Buffalo). There is **no cost** for delegates to attend "Community Build" and we will provide bus transportation to and from the Institute. Students will depart from the Jewish Community Center on Delaware Ave in Buffalo at 4:00 pm, Friday, November 20th and return there by 6:00 pm on Sunday, November 22nd.

You will find enclosed a copy of the forms that must be completed by all applicants; **please have your students complete the entire form prior to submission**. All forms may be reproduced and are also available for download (www.nfjcwny.org), and we request that you recommend no more than 6 students to attend. Unless yours is an all boy/all girl school, we ask that you nominate at least 2 students of each gender. **Please note: not all applicants are accepted to the Institute, and we will accept no more than four from each school, though sometimes only one or two.**

Those applicants chosen to attend "Community Build" will be notified of their acceptance via a formal acceptance letter, which will include more specific information about departure and arrival times and what they will need to bring with them on the retreat.

The application deadline for is Tuesday, November 10, 2015, and these can either be mailed in or faxed to us (852-0046). If you have any questions regarding "commUnity build", please either call the NFJC Office at 853-9596, or visit www.nfjcwny.org.

Sincerely,



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