New Jersey State Elks Association
Path to Leadership Conference
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A Fraternal Organization

Dear Educator, Parent, Guardian:

You are invited to attend the annual New Jersey State Elks' Association State-Wide **Path to Leadership Conference** for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students.

The Conference will be held on **Thursday, February 4, 2027**, at the Ocean Place Resort and Spa in Long Branch, NJ. Check-in begins at 8:30 AM. The first program starts at 9:30 AM and the Conference concludes at 1:30 PM.

Our presenter for this year's program is **Eddie Cortés**, a dynamic motivational speaker and youth advocate who inspires students to recognize their potential and take control of their future. Eddie will deliver engaging and impactful keynote sessions focused on resilience, positive decision-making, overcoming challenges, and building the confidence to become a positive influence in their schools and communities.

The cost of the conference is **$50 per attendee**, which includes a welcome snack upon arrival, all program materials, and lunch. Teachers, parents, and guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend. CEU credit is available for teachers, and "excused absence" letters can be provided for students upon request.

To learn more about the conference and see highlights from last year, visit the conference website at:
👉 https://sites.google.com/view/njelkspeerleadership

The application is online. You can access it at:
👉 https://form.jotform.com/njelksdap/path2027 or by scanning the QR Code on the attached flyer. **One application must be completed for each attendee (this includes chaperones and parents).** The registration deadline is **January 10, 2027 or once capacity is reached, whichever comes first**.

All invoices will be sent electronically after January 10th. Please mail your payment after receiving your invoice to our new mailing address:
NJ State Elks Association, Path to Leadership Program, PO Box 43, Manahawkin, NJ 08050

If you are paying for both the Peer Leadership Conference and Path to Leadership Conference, please send separate checks and indicate the invoice number on each. Over 550 students and advisors attended our last program, so early registration is encouraged.

We look forward to seeing you in February. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the email address or phone number shown above.

With appreciation,
Mary Ellen Lawrence

Mary Ellen Lawrence, NJSEA Chairperson
Drug Awareness Committee

New Jersey Elks

Path to Leadership CONFERENCE

Thursday, February 4, 2027

Who should attend?

- Middle School Students, Grades 6-8, Parents/Guardians, Educators

Where?

- Ocean Place Resort and Spa, Long Branch, NJ

When?

- Registration - 8:30AM - 9:30AM
- Conference Ends at 1:30PM

Speaker

- Eddie Cortés

Cost?

- $50 Per Attendee

Topics:

- Mental Health, Bullying, Drug Prevention, Resilience, Social Media, and more

Information Needed for the Application

- Advisor Name & E-mail
- Organization Paying (Elks, Alliance, School, Self)
- Email of Person Responsible for Payment

Scan here for the website

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