

NEW JERSEY STATE ELKS 33rd ANNUAL

PEER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

“ELKS AND YOUTH: PROMOTING WELLNESS IN OUR
COMMUNITIES”

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2022

Celebrating 154 Years of Service

JOYCE POWELL
STATE PRESIDENT

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FEBRUARY 4 - FEBRUARY 6, 2022
OCEAN PLACE RESORT AND SPA
LONG BRANCH, NEW JERSEY

Conference Mission Statement

Since 1983, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has been involved in the war on drugs. In his year as National President, Kenneth Cantoli of Hasbrouck Heights, NJ made Drug Awareness Education a priority. For the past 33 years, the NJ Elks have sponsored a Peer Leadership Conference. Our objectives are to increase participants' ability to make healthy decisions for themselves and others, specifically related to drugs and alcohol, thus Serving Our Communities.

We provide peer leaders with specific tools and resources to implement action plans in their communities, thus creating a network with the ability to educate their groups, schools, and towns on the skills presented at the conference. **The conference gives participants knowledge and information that promotes wellness.**

Conference Registration

- Students must be in 9th to 12th grade only.
- Be certain that all "Responsible for Payment" sections are completed. If using a purchase order, please indicate PO number. All payments should be received prior to the conference
- Make all checks payable to: NJ State Elks Association
- The \$385 registration fee includes: conference registration, materials, food, lodging, and special events.
- Advisors are strongly recommended. Advisors are required for groups of 2 or more.
- No refunds on cancellations received after 1/10/22. All cancellations received after this date will still require full payment

Mail completed Student/Advisor Applications, Conference Team Registration Form, and payment for \$385 per person (plus \$175 additional for advisor single rooms) to:

NJ State Elks Association Peer Leadership Conference
PO Box 687
Landing NJ 07850

All registrations should be received by December 18, 2021. Registrations received after 12/18 are "space available" only basis. Any registrations received less than two weeks before the conference MUST have a P.O. or check for payment. Registrations without payment or proof of payment will not be allowed to attend the conference.

Conference Schedule

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

7:30-9:30AM Registration/Breakfast
9:30-10:00AM Welcome
10:00-11:00AM Opening
11:15-12:15PM Keynote 1
12:30-1:30PM Lunch
1:30-2:45PM General Session 1

2:45-3:30PM Advisor Meeting / Room Keys & Assignments
2:45-3:30PM Break
3:30-4:45PM General Session 2
4:45-6:30PM Room Check-In
6:30-7:30PM Dinner
7:30-9:00PM Evening Entertainment
9:00-11:30PM Dance
9:00-11:30PM "Chill Time" Activities
12:00PM Room Checks

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:30-9:30AM Breakfast
9:45-10:00AM NJ State Elks Welcome
10:00-11:00AM Keynote 2
11:00-12:15PM Student Workshops 1
11:00-12:15PM Advisor Workshop 1
12:15-1:30PM Lunch w/ Elks Presentation
1:45-3:00PM Student Workshops 2
1:45-3:00PM Advisor Workshop 2
3:00-3:15PM Break
3:30-4:45PM General Session 3
4:45-5:00PM Group Photo
5:00-5:30PM Turn In Scavenger Hunt Forms
5:30-6:30PM Free Time
6:30-8:00PM Dinner
8:00-9:00PM Room Break
9:00-12:00AM Dance
9:00-12:00AM "Chill Time" Activities
12:30AM Room Checks

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

8:00- 8:30AM Religious Service (Optional)
8:30-9:30AM Breakfast
9:30-10:30AM "That's a Wrap" Session
10:30-11:30AM Keynote 3
11:30-12:00PM Closing

***Agenda Subject to Change**

For More Updates – Once you register:



Join the Facebook group:
"NJ Elks 2022 PEER Leadership"



Use the hashtag #elksconference on Twitter



Follow us @ elksconference and use the hashtag #elksconference

For more information or additional brochures, visit njelks.org,
Send an email to njelksconference@gmail.com; or call
Lisa Rovito at 201-978-7218 or Ellen Veprek at 732-691-6554

SCHEDULED SPEAKERS



ALBERT MENSAH

RISING FROM HUMBLE BEGINNINGS IN GHANA

Albert Mensah was born and lived the first nineteen years of his life in Ghana (Africa). Born in a mud hut and living far from any urban center, Albert's life was hard. When he was just a small boy he carried water several miles each day to help his family survive. Albert's powerful message of hope and inspiration is based on his own life experience as he shares the practical skills and tools he used to become successful. Albert believes that any person can become more successful if they can conceive a powerful dream that touches the heart of their existence. Albert's life in Africa and his amazing success since coming to America demonstrates that high achievement always begins with Aiming High in the pursuit of such a dream.



JULIA GARCIA

YOUR STORY, YOUR VOICE.

After 10+ years working with over a quarter million students' nationwide, social emotional health expert and TEDx Speaker Julia is leading a generation of young voices to speak up, stand up and rise up together. She is extraordinary in her ability to create a culture of empathy and compassion on campuses. With her infectious energy, raw spoken word poetry, and powerful audience interaction, she creates a space for students to have a real experience instead of just attending an event.



PATRICK PEREZ

MAD SKILLS FOR STUDENT'S SUCCESS

With shows like America's Best Dance Crew and Dancing With the Stars tearing up the airwaves you might think you've seen it all... until now! Get your students ready for some caffeine for their dreams and some sugar for their souls because their lives are about to get a lot sweeter!

Patrick combines the eye-catching style of break dance (b-boying) with student success principles that deal directly with drug and alcohol prevention, academic success, dropout prevention, choices and pregnancy/STD prevention. Patrick's passion is to use his gifts in order to reach out to those students who are in need of hope, encouragement or just a good kick in the pants to get going!



JOHAN KHALILIAN

MOTIVATE, ENGAGE, EQUIP.

Johan has established a reputation as an inspiring motivational speaker with a straightforward and entertaining, yet deeply provocative message. A product of Humboldt Park Chicago, an area known for its gang violence and crime, Johan was able to move past the obstacles and traps that ensnared so many of his peers and live a life that was far from ordinary. His dreams, choices and determination took him from inner city of Chicago to a national speaker who uses his life story to help people of all ages believe in the power of their dreams and the impact their life can make in the world around them.



KYLE WILLKOM

ACTION PACKED LEADERSHIP!!

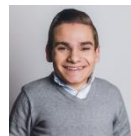
Kyle has been speaking professionally for the past 8 years, and his messages have reached tens of thousands of people in 46 states. He delivers messages on positivity, leadership, and action through his use of musical comedy and engaging personal stories.



CRAIG JANDOLI

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

Craig is the Assistant Principal of Academics at Don Bosco Prep. Craig is a dynamic speaker who has an innate ability to get young people to open up and be vulnerable. He empowers the students by letting them know they are not alone in the challenges they face and that they can offer support to one another.



BRANDON FARBSTEIN

EMPOWERMENT SPEAKER & GEN Z ACTIVIST

At just 19, Brandon Farbstein has already made a name for himself worldwide as a sought after speaker and prominent Gen Z activist. Diagnosed with a rare form of dwarfism at the age of 2, Brandon stands at 3'9" – making his life's journey full of adversity, strength, and impact.

COVID-19 WAIVER/RELEASE

Due to the current Pandemic (COVID-19) attendees, parents, guardians and members of the attendees family understand that there are inherent risks associated with attending the New Jersey State Elks Association Peer Leadership Conference or PATH to Leadership one day program and agree to assume all risks with regard to the pandemic. The parent or guardian hereby agrees to voluntarily waive, release, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the New Jersey State Elks Association it's local Lodges and the members, volunteers, speakers, sponsors, agents, servants and employees of them against any damages, claims, lawsuits, liabilities, attorney fees or other losses which they may sustain, be subjected to, or caused to incur should the attendee be exposed to or contract COVID-19 or any other illness or injuries related thereto including death or otherwise.

Attendee, parent or guardian agrees to observe and obey any instructions, warnings or other requirements provided at the Conference including wearing a mask properly, practice social distancing, participate in contact tracing, if necessary and any other guidelines that may be communicated at the conference or in advance of the conference. Failure to follow such guidelines could result in being requested to leave the conference immediately.

NOTE: By signing and returning the attached "HEALTH FORM" you are acknowledging that you have read and that you agree with the above COVID-19 WAIVER/RELEASE form.

2022 NJ STATE ELKS PEER LEADERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM FEBRUARY 4-6, 2022
REGISTRATION FEE: \$385 PER PERSON

Please print clearly and completely ALL information requested.

Check one below:

STUDENT _____ ADVISOR _____ ADVISOR SWEATSHIRT SIZE _____

Name: _____ Sex: M or F Age: DOB: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

School: _____ Organization You Are Representing: _____

Day Time Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Arrival Date: _____ Departure Date: _____ Email: _____

Ethnicity (Circle One): African American Asian Caucasian Latino Native American Other

Advisor(s) or Adult(s) attending with you: _____

Grade: 9 10 11 12 Advisor contact number: _____

Roommate Request (Not Guaranteed): _____

Advisor Single Room please add an additional \$175.00: Yes / No

Have you previously attended the NJ State Elks Conference? Yes / No

Responsible for Payment (**Must be completed**):

Elks Lodge _____ School _____ Alliance _____ Other _____

Person or Entity Responsible for payment: _____

Contact Person for Payment: _____ Phone: _____

Form of Payment: Purchase Order #: _____ OR Check #: _____

Form of payment must accompany this application

HEALTH HISTORY (Use Additional Sheets if Necessary)

Name of Physician or Clinic: _____ Phone: _____

Physician Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date last Tetanus or Booster shot: _____ Do you wear contact lenses? Yes or No

Food or medication allergies (including reaction): _____

Dietary Restrictions: _____

Diabetic?: _____ (Yes or No)

If so, do you take insulin? Type: _____ Dosage: _____ x per day: _____

Hypoglycemic? _____ (Yes or No)

Do you take oral glycemics? Yes or No Type: _____ Dosage: _____ x per day: _____

Are you currently under medical care?: _____ If yes, please explain below

Will you be on any medications during the conference? _____

If so, Name: _____ Dosage: _____

Reason: _____

Please list and explain all medical conditions, including asthma, dizziness, migraines, seizures, etc.:

**HEALTH FORM
MUST BE COMPLETED FOR ALL STUDENTS
PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

I am the parent/guardian of: _____ (Student Participant)

Consent for Attendance: I hereby give permission for the Participant to attend the NJ State Elks Association Peer Leadership Conference in Long Branch, NJ on February 4 to February 6, 2022. The above named individual shall be allowed to participate in all above mentioned informational and physical activities and workshops.

Medical Consent: I hereby authorize appropriately trained personnel (EMT), or other trained personnel designated by the Elks, to administer first-aid treatment to the Participant, if necessary. In the event that the Participant suffers a serious injury or illness, I understand that the Elks will notify me as soon as possible to obtain my approval for treatment. If I am unavailable, I designate the following people to give such consent. By signing below I also acknowledge receipt, review and agreement with the attached Covid-19 Waiver/Release form.

EMERGENCY CONTACT #1

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Day Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT #2

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Day Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

In the event that efforts to contact me or my designees are unsuccessful or are not possible during emergency circumstances, I hereby authorize the attending physician to administer any treatment including surgery which he or she deems necessary. I understand that I will, in any event, be contacted as soon as possible. I further give my permission for the Participant to receive aspirin, Tylenol, or other over-the-counter medicine under the supervision of the EMT on-site.

Payment for Medical Treatment: I agree to be responsible for paying any medical bills, either directly or through insurance payments, which may result from any treatment deemed necessary by medical personnel.

THIS MEDICAL INSURANCE INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETED OR THIS FORM WILL BE RETURNED.

Policy Name: _____ Policy Holder: _____
Identification or Group Numbers: _____
Insurance Company Address: _____

If you do not have medical insurance, please circle the following statement: **"I Do Not Have Insurance"**

Consent for Photographs: I hereby give permission for photographs to be taken of the Participant, and for photographs in which participant is included to be used for purposes of publicity of the Elks Conference.

Release of Liability: For an in consideration of the participation of the Participant in Elks program(s), I hereby release and hold harmless NJ State Elks Association, their officers, employees, volunteers or agents, and any medical personnel they select, from any and all liability or damages including accidental injury or illness which may occur during the Participant's attendance at the Elks Conference.

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Day Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Employer: _____ Phone#: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian (Name and Relationship to Participant):

Relationship: _____ Date: _____
(Signature above)