



Greetings from Presbyterian College!

One of the important aspects of **YOUTH DAY (Saturday, November 20, 2010)** will be opportunities to celebrate all the young people nominated by their congregations as ***Outstanding Church Youth Leaders***.

YOUTH DAY will offer a full program of events designed for all Middle and High School Youth amongst which all the 2010 ***OCYLA*** nominees will be recognized and the overall winner announced – at half-time in that day's PC v. Davidson Football game!

In giving this annual award, Presbyterian College hopes to inspire in youth leaders continued service and commitment to Jesus Christ through the Presbyterian Church (USA). Through our ***OCYLA*** scholarship program, we seek to recognize and celebrate outstanding youth leadership in our church congregations and communities. You are hereby invited to nominate an outstanding church youth leader from your congregation. The Nominating Forms are available online at www.presby.edu/church_relations/documents/OCYLA10.pdf. If you have any questions, please contact Harry Workman (864) 833-8267.

Here's how it works:

1. Choose one, or more (* see note below) youth from your congregation, a High School Junior or Senior in the 2010-2011 School Year, who has demonstrated exceptional Christian leadership.
2. Ask this person to complete the nomination form, including the essay section, and return it to you.
3. The Session needs to endorse the nominee with an official vote and email or mail the completed form and two reference letters back to the college.
4. Completed forms must be postmarked by November 5, 2010.

All of the nominees will receive a \$2,000 scholarship (\$500 per year) to encourage their enrollment at Presbyterian College. The overall winner, one of these nominees, will receive a \$10,000 scholarship (\$2,500 per year) to attend Presbyterian College.

* Note: Congregations with memberships between 400 and 750 members may nominate up to TWO youth; those with more than 750 members may nominate up to THREE youth.

**PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE
OUTSTANDING CHURCH YOUTH LEADER AWARD 2010
NOMINATION FORM**

(To be completed by the Youth Leader Nominee)

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete parts I - V and return to your Pastor or Clerk of Session. Please type or write neatly.

Part I: BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Name _____
(Last, First, Middle) (Preferred Name)

Date of Birth _____ Female _____ Male _____ T-Shirt size: _____

Present Address _____
_____ Zip _____

Home Phone Number _____ E-Mail Address _____

Daytime Phone # where a parent can be reached _____

Name of High School _____

Anticipated Year of Graduation: 2011 /2012 (Please circle) Current GPA _____
(A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1)

Parent's Name _____

Church Name and Address _____
_____ Zip _____

How long have you been a member of this church? _____

Church Phone Number _____ (____) _____ Presbytery _____

Name and title of Pastor or Clerk of Session _____

PART II: REFERENCES Please give the two reference form pages to adults who know you well, preferably your pastor and an adult leader in your church.

PART III: CHURCH INVOLVEMENT - What contributions have you made to the Church? Include all local, regional, and national involvement. Please attach additional sheet(s) if needed.

Organization/ Activity	Dates of Involvement	Description of Activity
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PART IV: SCHOOL EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES Describe up to three of your extracurricular activities, for each of these activities briefly identify what your participation taught you about being a leader.

Organization/ Activity	Dates of Involvement	Description of Activity	# of Hours Per Week
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1.
What this activity has or is teaching me about leadership....

2.
What this activity has or is teaching me about leadership....

3.
What this activity has or is teaching me about leadership....

PART V: ESSAY

On a separate sheet write an essay of not more than 500 words. The essay should be typed, single spaced.

Essay topic: What do you think are the defining characteristics of a Christian leader? How have you demonstrated your Christian leadership? What do you, as a Christian leader, hope to accomplish?

IMPORTANT: Student Nominee

When you have completed parts I - V, return this form with any additional sheets to your Pastor or Clerk of Session.

REFERENCE FORM
OUTSTANDING CHURCH YOUTH LEADER 2010
Presbyterian College

I, _____, ask that you complete this reference form in support of my nomination.
Nominee's Name

Reference Name

Position

In the space provided below, give us your impression of this young person's leadership qualities and potential. Please return this form to the **Pastor or Clerk of Session** in a sealed envelope.

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**Presbyterian College
Outstanding Church Youth Leader Award 2010**

Session Endorsement

(To be completed by the Moderator or Clerk of Session and postmarked no later than Nov. 5)

Please Note: *All valid nominees, High School Juniors or Seniors in the 2010-2011 School Year will be recognized on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2010 on campus during YOUTH DAY. The nominee, their parents and a representative of the congregation will be invited to attend this celebration. Please identify someone from your church and have them put this date on their calendar.*

Nominee's Name: _____

The Nomination of the above named Youth was endorsed by Session of

_____ Church.

on _____.
(Date)

Name of church representative to accompany nominee for the OCYLA recognition on Youth Day, Saturday, November 20, 2010 (if known) The following person will be the official representative accompanying our nominee on Youth Day:

Name of Church representative (if known): _____

Position in congregation (Job title or office held): _____

Moderator or Clerk of Session Signature

Please send all completed materials by November 5 to:

Office of Religious Life

Presbyterian College

503 S. Broad St.

Clinton, SC 29325

FAX# 864-938-3789

Email: jmechling@presby.edu

Additional or replacement copies of Nomination Forms and Materials can be accessed through the Church Relations website at: www.presby.edu/church_relations/documents/OCYLA10.pdf

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