WHY ATTEND LEAPS?

- You have an interest in building your leadership skills
- You care about issues affecting young workers
- You want to learn about workplace safety, health issues, and how to prevent hazards at work

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Since 2001, the Teens Lead at Work (TL@W) program has employed and trained over 250 Boston area teens. These teens have learned about workplace health and safety issues, the harsh realities of workplace violence and sexual harassment, as well as the importance of teen worker rights. As a result of their work with TL@W, the teens have developed leadership and public advocacy skills and used them to teach and train hundreds of other youth on important workplace issues. The peer leaders of TL@W were key in bringing about the first reforms to the Massachusetts Child Labor Laws in over seventy years. They also designed the first ever Sexual Harassment curriculum for young people by young people!

**What is LEAPS?**

LEAPS is the ONLY youth-led worker health and safety conference in the entire country. It’s a three day, two night Academy hosted by TL@W that brings together youth from across Eastern Massachusetts to participate in teen-led activities focused on worker’s rights, safety, workplace violence prevention, and community action.

The knowledge gained from the Academy will help participants create an action plan to bring back to their communities to help promote safety and violence prevention in the workplace.

**LEAPS Provides:**
- Fun and hands-on youth led workshops
- Support for your team and adult advisor
- All necessary supplies
- All-expenses paid 3 day, 2 night stay at a hotel in Boston, plus a $50 cash stipend!

**Who TL@W is Looking For:**
- Teens, ages 14-17
- Groups of four to six teens with an adult advisor.
- Committed individuals who will form determined teams with the desire to better the community they live in.
- Teens who are eager to learn!

...AND AFTER LEAPS?

All teams will be encouraged to:
- Carry out a project in your community (such as community poster contest, presentation to school officials, produce and create video on workplace safety, etc.)
- Use follow up support from TL@W peer leaders
- Attend a LEAPS participants summit in June to share the results of your action plan