

Franklin County Junior Leadership



Class of 2022

Kaitlyn Balding



"Being in Junior Leadership has helped me to see the impact that volunteering has on the community as a whole and has helped me become more willing to give of myself."

Thania Barrientos



"I learned that to be a Junior Leader isn't to just try to reach 50 community service hours...it is to help others, to be a team member, and most importantly, to be a leader."

Bailey Bishop



"Junior Leadership has taught me to not just use my free time to help out but make plans to help because there is nothing better than seeing the smiles on others faces when they see you helping others."

B.P. Blair



"I have learned how to manage my time more efficiently in order to accomplish as much as I can in my day-to-day life."

Jaidden Calvert



"Spending a Saturday at a hot festival, or helping organize papers for a council member is not always fun, but it does teach an important lesson; you are never above volunteering to your community, and being humble is crucial."

Gretchen Davis



"It is crazy to think that before Junior Leadership, those people that are shy are now the first to walk up to someone and start talking."

Katherine Delgado



"People were so kind and generous, it helped me to understand that life is wonderful and full of adventures but there are also some forks in the road. Yet people keep going and grow from their experiences."

Landen Etherington



"Finding ways to make time for school, work, serving, and friends greatly improved my responsibility as well as time management skills."

Olivia Gann



"Junior Leadership has taught me that you do not have to be rewarded in everything you do."

Kate Grissom



"The friendships I have made because of this program have made me more outgoing and willing to put myself out there."

Talli Hamilton



"Going into Junior Leadership I was scared of working events that none of my friends were working. But, I went out of my comfort zone and made wonderful friends along the way."

Brady Hardin



"While in Junior Leadership, I learned a lot about my surroundings. I was unaware of the many events in Franklin County."

Alivia Harris



"Even though Junior Leadership has taught me to have more of a servant's heart and to be responsible, I have also met some of my best friends."

Allie Herring



"A civil servant can be defined as anyone who willingly serves others without a desire for recognition or acknowledgement. I feel this program has done a tremendous job at growing me into a dedicated civil servant."

Addison Hester



"This program has taught me ways to give back to the community. Giving back is truly rewarding."

Braxton Hipps



"My activities and duties during the Junior Leadership Program have been vital factors and will help me in the future to be able to adjust to college and the workplace much easier."

Braiden Holcombe



"In the beginning of Junior Leadership, my work ethic was not the best in the world, but now I'm finding myself doing my chores for once."

Emma Hutcheson



"I learned to do more things on my own and even learned where some places were that I did not know of before."

E. J. Jones



"The events I went to really showed me how to be more involved in my community and how we are the future for our community."

Presley Laster



"The Junior Leadership program taught me to stand firm with my decisions and helped me to build my own character. I do not have to be a follower because the Junior Leadership program taught me how to be a leader."

Madeline Ledbetter



"From dressing up as Snow White to selling hot dogs with the local firemen, I felt my efforts in some way ensure that each event was a success."

Brayden Malone



"It was frustrating at times when I had to work for hours and never got any money from it but in the end knowing that I helped someone else and actually made a difference was better than any pay I could have received."

Destin Martin



"During my time in this program I feel like it has equipped me with most of the things that I need to become a leader and a better person during the rest of my life."

Mylene Martinez



"I have learned that many people need extra help and although I won't be in Junior Leadership anymore, I would still like to help as many people as I can because I enjoy helping."

Autumn Montgomery



"Learning to tolerate things people do that I find disrespectful or rude is something Junior Leadership helped me with."

Ashlee Moon



"Before I started Junior Leadership, I viewed work as a chore and something I was made to do, but now work to me is an opportunity for a new experience, and a new way to meet people in our community."

Kara Moore



"Appreciating my community, the new friendships and confidence I now have, and teaching me to work hard is just a small portion of what this program has taught me."

Sarah Morgan



"I have always loved helping others, but this program has grown that love. The joy that comes with helping others is a feeling that I never want to lose."

Maddie Mouser



"I felt like completing something like Junior Leadership was an unattainable goal, but the ability to be determined and dedicated, to set a goal, and ultimately complete it, is an invaluable, lifelong tool I now have."

Grayson Murray



"Communication is very important in life and is one aspect that will almost never be outshined, and when you can communicate well there is no limit to what you can do."

Bianca Norberto



"With this program I was able to learn the true meaning of what a leader is. A leader is not necessarily someone who "leads and commands" but rather someone who cares about others and is willing to go out of their way to make sure they are happy and satisfied."

Anna Beth Oliver



"Junior Leadership taught me how to be more selfless. At these events, the last thing that you should worry about is yourself. You are there to serve others. You always put others' needs before your own."

Yadmil Perez Gabriel



"Although I have lived in Russellville for all my life, Junior Leadership showed me what our community has to offer and it showed me our communities' values."

Jorge Pineda



"I have learned that things need to be done and will not be done by themselves. I have to put effort into what I am doing to make it turn out to the best of my ability."

Nick Pounders



"I have met so many people I may not have met if I didn't join this program. It has helped me decide what I want to do for my career one day."

Cooper Riddle



"Through the many service opportunities offered I met new people, made connections with local business leaders, and I gained a new knowledge of the community in which I live in."

Jhonny Rodriguez-Jimenez



"I definitely grew out of the mentality that I needed to be paid early on in the year and it helped me enjoy volunteering a lot more once I stopped expecting some kind of reward out of it."

Allie Scott



"I have learned that it takes a team to accomplish most things, and having good people to help you makes a job so much more enjoyable and accomplishable."

Micco Selosa



"It has taught me what Franklin County really is and what it's like to be part of, allowed me to make connections and memories with people I didn't know I could, and prepared me on how to become a successful individual in the future."

Caige Smith



"I have met other students from other schools that I otherwise would not have known. When I am out at ballgames or events we greet each other now as friends instead of strangers."

Elizabeth Smith



"Although Junior Leadership might be 'just some program that juniors are in' to most people, to me it has helped me in so many ways, even some I don't even know how to put into words."

Brayden Spurgeon



"As I started working events, I realized that I was valuable to the people I was working for and I felt obligated to work even harder to do my part."

Alexis Stewart



"Junior Leadership has shown me the amazing people of my community and how much I enjoy helping my community and getting to be part of something special that puts a smile on people's faces."

Jaycee Vinson



"You might like working by yourself but as you go through Junior Leadership you will see how easy some things can be if you just let your peers help you accomplish the task."

Jonah Walker



"I have learned that, while leadership is important in our future careers, the people we work with and spend most of our job with are just as important as good leadership."

Sarah Williams



"The most important impact Junior Leadership has had on me is that I am now more considerate of others and I enjoy giving back."