

**Russian-Speaking Students**

at your

**High School**

are invited

to the

**15th Annual Russian-Speaking  
Youth Leadership  
Conference!**

**Tuesday May 3, 2011**

**at Concordia University**

***RSYLC School Registration forms due  
April 5, 2011***

More information at: <http://eecnorthamerica.org/rsylc>

## **What is the Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference?**

*The purpose of this conference is to promote youth leadership within the Russian-speaking community in the Pacific Northwest.*

*The Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference is committed to addressing the concerns and needs of Russian-speaking students and helping each student reach his/her fullest potential.*

### ***This registration packet contains:***

- ✓ **School Registration - Form A**
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***RSYLC Registration Forms A & B must be returned by  
April 5, 2011***

**Please see information sheets for instructions and other deadlines.**

# ***School Registration - FORM A***

***15<sup>th</sup> Annual Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference  
Concordia University, May 3rd, 2011***

## ***Registration Forms A & B are due April 5, 2011***

**Instructions:** Please complete ALL of the following information.

School: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chaperones: (1 adult per 10 students; at least 1 certified staff member must attend)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of adults attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of students from above school: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to **RSYLC**.

***Send Registration Forms A & B plus \$30.00 for each participant to:***

***RSYLC***

***Attn: Eric Kaganov, Slavic Youth of America***

***14305 SE Stark Street, Portland, OR 97233***

**Questions? Call Eric Kaganov at (503) 737-7627 [eric@syaoregon.us](mailto:eric@syaoregon.us)**

***Thank you for your interest in RSYLC 2011!***



# ***RSYLC Student Code of Conduct***

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- Only registered students will be admitted to the conference.
- All students must travel to the conference and return to school on school buses with chaperones.
  - NO private transportation is allowed.
  - Students who violate this rule will not be admitted to the conference.
- Students must stay with their chaperones at all times.
- Every student must wear a nametag.
- Students are prohibited from leaving the conference area.
- Students are expected to attend all assigned sessions and participate appropriately.
- Students must respect their chaperones, conference organizers, workshop presenters, and the rights of other participants, host institution rules and property.
- Students must dress appropriately, **NO** hats.
- **NO** headphones, **NO** cell phones.

***If the rules above are violated, the chaperone and school administration will be notified.***

***YOUR COOPERATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!***

***Thank you for your interest in RSYLC 2011!***

# ***Chaperone Responsibilities***

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## **Pre-Conference:**

- Meet with your students prior to the conference to go over behavioral expectations, explain the dress code and answer any questions about the conference.
- Assist students in developing a skit to present during the conference.
- Assist students in completing art contest submissions or scholarship applications – translate documents, if necessary.

## **Day of the Conference:**

- Make sure that all students are dressed appropriately.
- Review conference expectations with students.

## **At the Conference:**

- Check in at the registration desk **upon arrival**.  
**No students** will be allowed at the registration desk.
- Distribute conference packets and nametags.
- Instruct students to carry programs and wear nametags at all times during the conference.
- Maintain direct supervision of your students **AT ALL TIMES**.
- Guide them to attend all assigned sessions and participate appropriately.

***We anticipate a wonderful conference this year.  
Your participation and assistance are essential!***

# ***RSYLC 2011 School Presentation***

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***Conference Theme: “Take a Stand and Speak Out”  
Тема конференции: «Отстаивай свои принципы»***

## **Directions:**

- *A maximum of 15 students per school presentation are allowed.*
- *Dialogue must be primarily in Russian.*
- *Each school presentation may run no more than 7 minutes.\**

*\*If more than 15 students from a school want to participate, then students may perform two different skits. However, each student can only perform in one skit.*

## **The Conference theme:**

What does it mean to “**Take a stand and speak out? Why, how, when?**”  
Что это значит, «**Отстаивать свои принципы? Почему, как, когда?**»

## **Judging Criteria:**

- Must incorporate the theme (up to 10 points)
- Must be appropriate for a school environment (up to 10 points)
- Humor (up to 10 points)
- Use of costumes and props (up to 10 points)
- Creativity (up to 10 points)

***In case of a tie, the judges will deliberate and decide the winner.***

## **Prizes:**

- One winner will be selected.
- Winning team members will receive an RSYLC 2011 Sweatshirt.
- Second and third place teams will receive consolation prizes.

# **2011 ART CONTEST**

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***Conference Theme: “Take a Stand and Speak Out”  
Тема конференции: «Отстаивай свои принципы»***

## **Directions:**

- On an 8.5” x 11” paper, create a design on this year’s conference theme:  
What does it mean to: “Take a stand and speak out? Why, how, when?”  
Что это значит, «Отстаивать свои принципы? Почему, как, когда?»
- Drawings should be in color, clean, clear, and appropriate for school setting.
- Mail your original in a large envelope – do not fold! – to the address below.  
You may also scan and send a .jpg of your work to [eric@syaoregon.us](mailto:eric@syaoregon.us).

***Art work must be completed and sent by Friday, April 15.***

## **Judging Criteria:**

- Judging is done by the conference planning committee.
- Winners are judged on artistic quality & relevance to conference theme.

## **Prizes:**

- First place: \$100 gift card; recognition in the RSYLC 2011 Program, RSYLC Website & promotional materials.
- Second place: \$50 gift card.
- Third place: \$25 gift card.

**NB: Art Contest Winners must be 2011 RSYLC participants.**

***RSYLC***

***Attn: Eric Kaganov, Slavic Youth of America  
14305 SE Stark Street, Portland, OR 97233***

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# ***Scholarship Competition***

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## **Directions for Scholarship Applicant - High School Seniors Only:**

- Complete the attached application in Russian or English
- Write a short autobiography (150-200 words) in Russian or English
- Get copies of your current transcript
- Using the attached reference forms, obtain three references, one from each of the following:
  1. A school counselor or administrator
  2. A teacher or educational assistant
  3. A community leader
- Write an essay on the following topic:  
**“Take a Stand and Speak Out”- «Отстаивай свои принципы»**
  - Essays may be written in English or Russian
  - Essays must be three to five pages – double-spaced, 12pt font.

***Attach all documents to the completed application and send or email by April 15, 2011 to:***

***RSYLC***

***Attn: Eric Kaganov, Slavic Youth of America  
14305 SE Stark Street, Portland, OR 97233***

***Questions? Call Eric Kaganov at (503) 737-7627 [eric@syaoregon.us](mailto:eric@syaoregon.us)***

## **Judging Criteria:**

Applications will be judged by the RSYLC Scholarship Sub-Committee.

Essays will be judged on organization, how well ideas are developed, relevance to the topic and leadership content.

## **Prizes:**

Winning seniors will receive a \$1000 scholarship upon admission to college.

The number of winners will be determined based on the annual RSYLC budget.

**NB: Scholarship Winner(s) must be 2011 RSYLC participants.**

***Deadline for scholarship applications is April 15, 2011***

# **Scholarship Application – ENGLISH**

## **2011 Annual Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference Scholarship**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA on 4.0 scale: \_\_\_\_\_

1. List all the extracurricular activities you have participated in (sports, clubs, drama, etc.)

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2. List volunteer activities you have participated in and name the organization(s)

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\_\_\_\_\_

3. Do you work? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain: Place of work \_\_\_\_\_  
Position \_\_\_\_\_ How many hours/week do you work? \_\_\_\_\_

4. What college/university do you plan to attend after high school?

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5. What do you plan to major in? \_\_\_\_\_

6. How many years have you lived in the US? \_\_\_\_\_

7. How many times have you attended the Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference? \_\_\_\_\_

8. In your opinion, does the Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference encourage Russian-Speaking students to pursue higher education? Why or why not?

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***Deadline for scholarship applications is April 15, 2011***

# **Scholarship Application –РУССКАЯ АНКЕТА**

## **2011 Annual Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference Scholarship**

Имя: \_\_\_\_\_ Фамилия: \_\_\_\_\_

Дом. адрес: \_\_\_\_\_

Телефон: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Класс: \_\_\_\_\_ Школа: \_\_\_\_\_

Средний бал (GPA on 4.0 scale): \_\_\_\_\_

1. Перечислите в каких школьных мероприятиях (спорт, кружки, театр, клубы, и т.д.)

Вы участвуете: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Занимаетесь ли Вы добровольной работой (volunteer work) вне школы? \_\_\_\_\_

Если да, то для какой организации? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Есть ли у Вас официальная работа? \_\_\_\_\_

Если да, укажите: Место работы \_\_\_\_\_

Должность \_\_\_\_\_ Количество часов в неделю \_\_\_\_\_

4. В какое высшее учебное заведение Вы планируете поступать после школы?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. На какой факультет? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Сколько лет Вы живете в США? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Сколько раз Вы участвовали в русско-говорящей конференции? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Как Вы думаете, помогает ли конференция русскоязычной молодежи с принятием решения относительно высшего образования? Да или Нет? Почему?

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# ***Scholar Reference I***

**2011 Annual Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference Scholarship**

**-Must be completed by a school counselor or administrator-  
in English or Russian**

Name of scholarship applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this two-page form and give your frank opinion of the applicant's qualifications. Place the signed reference in an envelope, seal it and return it to the applicant to forward with the rest of application or mail by April 15, 2011 to:

***RSYLC***

***Attn: Eric Kaganov, Slavic Youth of America***

***14305 SE Stark Street, Portland, OR 97233***

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of school official \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

***Deadline for scholarship applications is April 15, 2011***

Name of scholarship applicant \_\_\_\_\_

**QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT:**

1. Character: (responsibility, initiative, goals): \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Scholastic ability: \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Prospects for future service: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Determination to complete college and put the benefits of higher education to professional and social use: \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Thank you!***  
***The Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference***

# ***Scholar Reference II***

**2011 Annual Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference Scholarship**

**-Must be completed by a teacher or educational assistant-  
in English or Russian**

Name of scholarship applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this two-page form and give your frank opinion of the applicant's qualifications. Place the signed reference in an envelope, seal it and return it to the applicant to forward with the rest of application or mail by April 15, 2011 to:

***RSYLC***

***Attn: Eric Kaganov, Slavic Youth of America  
14305 SE Stark Street, Portland, OR 97233***

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Name of teacher or EA \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

***Deadline for scholarship applications is April 15, 2011***

Name of scholarship applicant \_\_\_\_\_

**QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT:**

1. Character: (responsibility, initiative, goals): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Scholastic ability: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

3. Prospects for future service: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

4. Determination to complete college and put the benefits of higher education to professional and social use: \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Thank you!***  
***The Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference***

# ***Personal Reference III***

**2011 Annual Russian-Speaking Youth Leadership Conference Scholarship**

**-Must be completed by a community leader-  
in English or Russian**

Name of scholarship applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this two-page form and give your frank opinion of the applicant's qualifications. Place the signed reference in an envelope, seal it and return it to the applicant to forward with the rest of application or mail by April 15, 2011 to:

***RSYLC***

***Attn: Eric Kaganov, Slavic Youth of America***

***14305 SE Stark Street, Portland, OR 97233***

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

***Deadline for scholarship applications is April 15, 2011***

Name of scholarship applicant \_\_\_\_\_

**QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT:**

1. Character: (responsibility, initiative, goals): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Leadership qualities: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Prospects for community service: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Determination to complete college and put the benefits of higher education to professional and social use: \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Thank you!***  
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