



NATIONAL CELEBRATION OF
JOB CORPS
Building the Future of America's Youth



National Job Corps 50th Anniversary Celebration NJCA FYO Student Ambassadors

As part of the 50th Anniversary of Job Corps, the National Job Corps Association (NJCA) and its sister organization, the Foundation for Youth Opportunities (FYO), are showcasing the success of Job Corps' biggest stars: the students!

The NJCA FYO is organizing student-centric activities in Washington, D.C., from Tuesday, April 21, through Thursday, April 23, in conjunction with Job Corps' National 50th Anniversary Celebration.

The National Job Corps 50th Anniversary Planning Committee and the NJCA FYO hope students will be a part of:

- Job Corps' National 50th Anniversary Celebration at the Mellon Auditorium;
- Student Leadership Conference; and
- Civic Education Meetings.

Our goal is to have Job Corps students from across the country play integral roles in helping to plan the future of Job Corps.

Students

To showcase the depth and breadth of Job Corps, the NJCA FYO is requesting that all operators select one student from each of its centers to participate. We also encourage operators to include an alternate student. (Some alternates may be selected based on overall participation.) Operators are welcome to bring multiple students to D.C.; however, due to space limitations, only those official Ambassadors will be able to attend Job Corps' National 50th Anniversary Celebration and the Student Leadership Conference.

Suggested dress code for the students will be: dark pants and blazer (navy or black), white shirt and tie for men; dark suit or dress for women.

Following are the Student Ambassadors activities:

National Job Corps 50th Anniversary Celebration

Our students will be front and center at the Mellon Auditorium. In a symbolic opening ceremony, Student Ambassadors will represent the 125 Job Corps centers across the country. Each student will proceed into the event with a “building block” that tells the story of their center. The blocks will be placed around the stage to help establish the theme of “Job Corps: Building the Future of America’s Youth.” Students will then take their seats at designated tables using a ticket from a table purchased by their operator, or an individual ticket. There will be discounted student tickets available when individual tickets sales begin. Chaperones will be able to attend the event using a ticket purchased by their centers. There will be limited standing room only space for non-ticketed guests.

Student Leadership Conference: Building the Future of America’s Youth

The NJCA FYO plans to host a one-and-half-day conference for students to learn, hear from DOL and Job Corps leadership, and visit with their peers. The Student Leadership Conference will take place at the Sheraton Pentagon City.

Civic Education

A key component of leadership is civic education. There is no better way to learn how government works than from members of Congress and their staffers. Therefore, the NJCA has reserved time for Student Ambassadors to go to Capitol Hill to meet with their congressional representatives with their center or operator staff. If possible, the students may bring a small token that represents their home state.

Please complete the attached Student Participation Form for each center.

Chaperones

Each student attending the events must be assigned a chaperone to ensure safety, serve as a point of contact for the NJCA FYO and assist with other aspects of the Student Ambassador program. Operators will determine the best student-to-chaperone ratio for their delegations. Small operators may choose to share a chaperone with another operator.

Chaperones are not required to register for the 50th Anniversary Celebration or the Student Leadership Conference, but may attend as many of the student activities as they wish.

Please provide the name and contact information for each chaperone on the attached Student Participation Form.

Hotel

The NJCA has arranged a block of hotel rooms for the students and their chaperones (Hilton Garden Inn Arlington/Courthouse Plaza) that is separate from the conference host hotel (Sheraton Pentagon City). Please use the URL below or call directly and reference the group name below to make your reservation.

Hilton Garden Inn Arlington/Courthouse Plaza

1333 North Courthouse Road

Arlington, VA 22201

703-807-4860

http://hiltongardeninn.hilton.com/en/gi/groups/personalized/D/DCAARGI-NJC-20150418/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

Group Name: National Job Corps Association/Foundation for Youth Opportunities

Group Code: NJC

Rate: \$229 per night (per diem rate)



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**** Draft Agenda ****

Monday, April 20, 2015

AM – Afternoon	Travel to Washington, D.C.
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Tuesday, April 21, 2015

AM – Afternoon	Travel to Washington, D.C.
2:00 p.m.	Meet at Hilton Garden Inn Arlington/Courthouse Plaza – Instructions for Evening Celebration Ceremony
3:30 p.m.	Arrive at the Mellon Auditorium for Practice Run*
6:30– 9:00 p.m.	Student Processional Opening Ceremony of National Job Corps 50th Anniversary Celebration Seated Dinner

* Transportation will be provided

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Wednesday, April 22, 2015

8:15 a.m.	Travel to Sheraton Pentagon City for National Conference*		
8:30 a.m.	Registration / Continental Breakfast		
9:00 a.m.	Plenary: National Director's Message to the Job Corps Community		
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.	Breakouts		
Breakouts	Green Group	Blue Group	Red Group
	Promoting a Safe Living and Learning Environment	Becoming a Leader on Campus	Assessing Your Career Journey
12:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Civic Education Meetings on Capitol Hill		

Thursday, April 23, 2015

8:15 a.m.	Travel to Sheraton Pentagon City for National Conference*		
8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast		
9:00 – 11:00 a.m.	Breakouts		
11:00 a.m.	Plenary: Secretary Perez's Message to the Job Corps Community		
11:45 a.m.	Adjourn – Begin Travel Back to Center		

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National Job Corps 50th Anniversary Celebration

NJCA FYO Student Ambassador

STUDENT PARTICIPATION FORM

The NJCA FYO needs your help to ensure the success of the Job Corps 50th Anniversary Student Ambassador program! As we get closer to the celebration, we need to gather information about the students who will be joining us in Washington, D.C. This information assists us with the actual planning of the event (and possible media and congressional opportunities).

Please complete the form below with information about the student you plan to send to Washington, D.C. At this time we are requesting one student and one alternate from each center. **Please return the completed Student Participation Form to Vickie West at vwest@njcaweb.org no later than February 27.**

The student you select should:

- Feel comfortable speaking about their experience in Job Corps; and
- Feel comfortable participating in large events

Center Information:

Job Corps Center: _____

Center Contact: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Student Information:

Name: _____ Age: _____

Hometown: _____

Trade: _____

Please provide a brief description of the student you're selecting and why.
For example, how and why the student came to Job Corps, special talents or hobbies, and his or her plans for the future.

Name of Alternate Student: _____

Please provide a brief description of the alternate student. *For example, how and why the student came to Job Corps, special talents or hobbies, and his or her plans for the future.*

Chaperone Information:

Please note that while NJCA will coordinate activities and be mindful of the well-being of students while they are in D.C, chaperones are ultimately responsible for their students. Chaperone contact information allows us to ensure easy communication and confirm that all students are accounted for.

Chaperone's Name: _____

Title: _____

Email: _____

Cell Number: _____

Check here if you are a small operator and are interested in sharing a chaperone with another operator.