



2015-2016 Nomination Form

Dr. Brenda White Wright Emerging Leaders Academy

The Mission of the Dr. Brenda White Wright Emerging Leaders Academy is:

To identify, encourage and equip emerging student leaders with the skills, knowledge and experience to effectively lead at ETSU and beyond.

Nominees must currently be full-time undergraduate students in “good standing” at ETSU and have an interest in developing leadership skills. Please help us by only nominating students who have not been in a leadership role on campus but have the potential to be leaders. Current involvement in a student organization or campus activities is not required. Preference will be given to first and second year students with the hope that participants will have an opportunity to apply the leadership skills gained from the Academy on campus in the coming years. More Information about the Dr. Brenda White Wright Emerging Leaders Academy is provided on the next page.

This program requires attendance at an overnight, weekend long “Advance” and weekly meetings throughout the semester. The weekly meetings will be held each Monday from 5:00 to 7:00pm, January through March. The “Advance” and weekly meetings are important for success in this program and therefore must be made a priority. All aspects of the program are provided at no charge to the student.

****Please complete online nomination forms by Monday, November 2nd 2015 at 4:30 p.m.****

Nominee’s Full Name: _____

Nominee’s Goldmail Address: _____ Nominee’s E Number: _____

Your Full Name: _____

Your Goldmail Address: _____ Your Phone Number: _____

1. How long have you known the nominee and in what capacity?

2. Based on the information provided about Emerging Leaders Academy, why do you believe this student is a great candidate for the program?

3. How has this student demonstrated leadership potential and campus involvement?

4. Please rate how well your nominee demonstrates the following characteristics on a 1 to 5 scale, 5 being “excellent”, 1 being “poor”. Fill in the rating in the empty box to the right of each characteristic.

Work Ethic: Hard working and demonstrates natural leadership qualities. Not necessarily in a leadership role but shows obvious potential to thrive in an encouraging environment.	
Initiative: Displaying of energy and actions that will lead to positive involvement and strong leadership.	
Responsibility: Demonstrates maturity and ability to follow through.	
Empathy: Ability to vicariously experience emotions, experiences, and thoughts of others.	
Communication Skills: Ability to effectively communicate with others.	
Stress/Time Management: Ability to adequately manage time in able to increase effectiveness.	
Character: Displaying distinctive positive and morally sound qualities.	
Student Involvement: The amount of time and effort put into activities on campus.	

Please provide any other comments about the nominee’s strengths, accomplishments, character, goals, potential or anything else that you believe is relevant. Attach any additional sheets necessary.

Thank you for your time and support of the Emerging Leaders Academy!



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What happens after students are nominated for the Emerging Leaders Academy?

Once all nominations are received, students will be notified and congratulated for their nomination. The nominees will then be required to fill out an application and attend an information meeting and group interview. Those selected for the program will be notified and congratulated by November 9th. The nominator will also be notified of the students selected.

What will the students learn at Emerging Leaders Academy?

Through the Academy, students will:

- Understand, experience and embrace the value of servant leadership;
- Explore and understand their own leadership/followership style;
- Identify personal strengths, weaknesses, interests, and passions;
- Learn about group dynamics and engage in opportunities to work as a team;
- Participate in activities to begin building leadership skills;
- Become familiar with and engage in campus and community activities;
- Develop a personal leadership action plan and;
- Develop and model respect and appreciation for the richness of human diversity

What are some of the topics that students will discuss in the Emerging Leaders Academy?

1. Ethics in Decision Making
2. Communication
3. Diversity & Privilege
4. Conflict Resolution
5. Campus/ Community Engagement
6. Stress & Time Management
7. Decision Making
8. Personal Leadership Plans (Capstone Presentation)

Important Dates for Emerging Leaders Participants:

Welcome Reception: January 15th, 2016

Overnight "Advance": January 16th – 18th

Weekly Meetings, 5:00 to 7:00pm:

- January 25th
- February 1st
- February 8th
- February 15th
- February 22nd
- February 29th
- March 14th
- March 21st

Graduation: March 28th

About Dr. Brenda White Wright

Dr. Brenda White Wright is a motivational speaker, storyteller, and diversity consultant with over 40 years of experience in business management, servant leadership, board and organizational development, human resources, education, multicultural issues, race relations, youth initiatives, community relations, resource development, radio and television. She earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business and Communications, a Master's Degree in Reading and Storytelling, and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from East Tennessee State University. For over twenty years she served as President and CEO of Girls Incorporated of Kingsport, a United Way agency that provides programs for at-risk youth ages 5-18. In that capacity, she was named by *The Business Journal* as one of the region's "Twenty-Five Powerful Female Executives."

For more information about Dr. Brenda White Wright, visit <http://www.wrightapproach.net/home.html>