

Greetings! Prospective Summer Policy Academy Fellows;

Thank you for your interest in learning about our program and your commitment to participate. The Leadership Institute and the Summer Policy Academy (SPA) is founded on Indigenous thought and philosophy derived from core values, cultural life ways and daily practice. The SPA is an educational leadership and public policy program focused on four principles: Leadership, Community Service, Public Policy and Critical Thinking. NM High school students will participate in an intensive four-week program alongside their peers representing the surrounding 22 tribal communities. The 2023 Summer Policy Academy will convene **June 25-July 7, 2023** at the Santa Fe Indian School. The students will share and present their service project to an audience of their peers, family and community to culminate the program.

### **APPLICATION DUE DATE & CHECKLIST**

In order to be considered for the Summer Policy Academy the following materials must be **completed, signed and submitted by May 5, 2023**

**1. A completed application must include the following:**

- Letter of Intent- a cover letter describing your Interest and Commitment to participate in the program.
- SPA Application Form (including goals and interests)
- Personal Essay (2 pages double-spaced)
- One Letter of Recommendation from a non-family member

### **NOTIFICATION DATE**

Prospective SPA Fellows **will be notified of their selection to participate as soon as possible after their applications are submitted.**

**2. Upon selection, the following materials will be emailed to you:**

- Letter of Acceptance and Selection
- SPA Agenda and Logistical Information
- Participant Code of Conduct and Commitment Form
- Photo Media Release Form

### **REQUIREMENTS**

Students are required to be vaccinated as follows per the SFIS Covid-19 Mandate:

As of October 12, 2022, up-to-date COVID-19 vaccination includes:

- Primary series (Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson)
- 1 updated (bivalent) booster for those aged 5 years old and older and 2 boosters for those aged 50+ or those who are immunocompromised.

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**All completed and signed materials should be received by email or regular mail**

**The Leadership Institute at the Santa Fe Indian School**

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# SPA Student Application

## Student Information

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  Male  Female

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

Current High School \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade level: \_\_\_\_\_

Tribal Affiliation(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student Cell Phone (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Student email address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent/Guardian

Parent/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Other Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

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

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of contact:

Home  Work  Cell  Email

## Emergency Contact

**Note: This person(s) will be contacted if primary guardian is unavailable.**

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

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

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

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

Relationship to Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone 2: \_\_\_\_\_

## Signature of Participation and Commitment

I understand that by signing this form I commit to fully participate in the full extent of the Summer Policy Academy (SPA) and Community Initiative. I will abide by all program guidelines and expectations. I give permission for SPA to make arrangements on my behalf to prepare and follow through with all planning and logistics for my participation. In the event of emergency or unforeseen circumstances that would prevent me to participate, I will notify SPA immediately so my space may be filled by another prospective student.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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



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Applicants must complete (1) one typed *Cover Letter* describing your interest and commitment to participate in the Summer Policy Academy Program.

Applicants must also complete a typed (2) two-page, double-spaced *Personal Essay* and respond to at least two of the following questions:

- What is one important issue impacting your tribal community?
- What would you like your community to look like in 5-20 years?
- Who will be our caretakers?
- What is your contribution?
- What are some personal qualities of a leader?

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### Goals and Interests

**Answer below, or on a separate sheet if necessary**

**Describe your Interests and Hobbies?**

**Describe your involvement in Out of School Time, Leadership and/or School and Community Initiatives?**

**Describe your future aspirations?**

**Who is or who has been the mentor in your life thus far and why?**



SUMMER  
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**NOTE: Students please give this form to the person who will recommend you.**

Applicants must submit one (1) Letter of Recommendation to be completed by an (Advisor, Teacher, Counselor, Community Advocate, etc.) This letter must be completed by a (non-family member) and submitted with the completed SPA application packet.

**Due Date: May 5, 2023**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Making Recommendation \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Years Known \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please include the following in your Letter of Recommendation:**

- How has the applicant demonstrated leadership and dedication to their tribal community and/or school?
- Describe a personal quality that you admire about this individual?

**Upon completion, please return the letter to the student in a sealed envelope.**

**Address Letter to:**

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