



Youth Empowerment Steering Program

KooDooZ is offering a Youth Empowerment Steering Program for the benefit of 5th through 10th grade students who meet at least once a week in a classroom, home school or youth group environment.

Designed to cultivate young social entrepreneurs, the KooDooZ Steering Program offers an array of cause and social impact initiatives that are co-authored as online challenges by partner educators, profit-for-purpose experts and nonprofit leaders.

Each challenge is delivered with easy-to-follow milestones and methodologies to ensure goal attainment. Additionally, the KooDooZ system documents evidence of youth progress towards meeting specific service goals and learning outcomes.

As a certifying organization for the President's Volunteer Service Award, KooDooZ has the ability to credit time served for those tasks that meet volunteerism, community service and service learning standards. As a result, every hour a kid spends in the KooDooZ Steering Program makes a difference for both the cause and the kid.

To be considered for this **free Youth Empowerment Steering Program**, please fill out the application form and submit it to KooDooZ no later than April 30, 2010.

Steering Program Requirements

At the core of the Steering Program is a cause-based social networking site where kids can couple their passions with proven methodologies to achieve personal and/or societal change.

Time Commitment

As there are four challenge categories (Heart, Mind, Body and Spirit), it is a Steering Program goal to have each student take on 4 challenges from these life-balancing categories. We request participation for a minimum of 4 weeks with 1-2 hours spent weekly on the site.

Note: KooDooZ team members are available to assist on-site or via remote access once a week to ensure ease of use.

Technical Requirements

Students will need daily or weekly access to www.KooDooZ.com, which is accessible from any online computer over the Internet Explorer 8, 7 & 6 or Firefox 3 & 2 browsers.

While the discovery of challenges happens online, the experience of "doing" happens real-world. A requirement of the Steering Program is to have students upload a "Burden of Proof" to detail the results of each challenge via text, photo, embedded link or PDF document. These uploads are monitored and can be compiled for electronic distribution for the benefit of the educator and/or youth leader.

Guardian Requirements

Youth 13 and under are required to obtain verifiable parental consent for their online participation.

Steering Program Benefits

Participating students may apply for an "early decision" seat on the KooDooZ Youth Advisory Board (YAB):

The YAB is composed of 20 diversified young adults who demonstrate exemplary work as entrepreneurs, social entrepreneurs and/or volunteers. Members of this distinguished youth board play a critical role in evaluating and nominating nonprofit and community partnerships for the purpose of addressing local and/or global challenges.

77% of middle schools and 86% of high schools require community service, yet 74% don't have resources to organize or track student civic participation:

The KooDooZ Steering Program works with participating kids, classrooms and youth groups to shape challenges and outcomes most meaningful to their communities.

Community & Youth Partnerships are essential:

The current economic climate has made teens more aware of the needs of others. An online survey conducted by Harris Interactive (January 2010) revealed that almost nine out of ten teens (89%) say they wish they could do more to help those in need. Yet despite this fact, few kids are given the chance to really make a difference. The KooDooZ Steering Program is a unique opportunity to empower your youth.



Steering Program Application

Application for the benefit of:

Classroom Youth Group

(name of institution)

Institution Type:

School After-School Program

Library Faith-Based Org

Other (Please Describe):

Application Submission

FAX: **310.919.3737**

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Participant Description

Participants will primarily be ages:

9-11 years

12-13 years

14-15 years

The profile of the youth within my program is best described as: (pick only one)

high-achievers

disadvantaged

everyday kids

The number of kids benefitting from this program will be:

10-24 25-50

51-100 101-200

Greater than 200

Applicant Details

I understand and agree to the following:

Steering Program Participants must meet weekly in order to turn challenges into achievements

Steering Program Participants must have access to a computer that has the Internet Explorer 8, 7 & 6 or Firefox 3 & 2 browser in order to successfully complete this program with KooDooZ

I (or my assignee) will serve as a primary Steering Program contact, and will work with KooDooZ to shape a successful program

Applicant First & Last Name

Applicant Email

Applicant Daytime Phone

Applicant Signature