



21ST CENTURY LEADERS LEADER OF DISTINCTION AWARD

**Instructions for Recording of Merit Points- all forms available at
www.21stcenturyleaders.org
click on *Programs* and then *Leader of Distinction Award*
from the drop down menu**



Instructions for completing the sheets

- ❑ Download and print this instruction sheet and the four record sheets to keep track of your merit points.
- ❑ There are four separate record sheets representing the four areas of merit for earning the LEADER OF DISTINCTION Award: 1) Networking; 2) Making Presentations and Publishing; 3) Moving in the Business World, and, 4) Serving Others and My Community.
- ❑ To earn the LEADER OF DISTINCTION award you must have **100 total combined points** from any of the four merit categories.
- ❑ You are responsible for keeping track of your merit points as you earn them.
- ❑ Fill out all of the requested information for each area you have earned merit points.



What to do once you have earned 100 merit points

- ✓ Mail your completed sheets to the address listed at the top of each sheet or fax it to us.
- ✓ **Double-check to make sure EACH SHEET has your name listed at the top of the page!**
- ✓ If you make a presentation that includes PowerPoint or write a paper send it to us so we may consider publishing it on our web site.



Deadlines

- ❑ We will publicly recognize our LEADERS OF DISTINCTION at the Winter Leadership Weekend and Statewide celebration of Service in the spring. You must have your completed sheets in to our office 8 business days before each event.
- ❑ Deadlines this year are January 14th and April 1st .



Rewards and recognition

- Public recognition at a statewide or local event.
- A small memento/award representing your accomplishments as a LEADER OF DISTINCTION.
- A special designation on your summer camp shirt and business cards recognizing you as a LEADER OF DISTINCTION.
- Special listing in our public programs and published materials.
- Opportunities to have your written work published on our web site.
- Seniors will receive a lanyard to wear during high school graduation.
- **A great college application and resume item!**

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Record of Merit Points "Networking with 21st Century Leaders" for the "LEADER OF DISTINCTION" Award Application

Name: _____

Phone Calls:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	Worth 2 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
			Total: _____

E-Mails:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	Worth 2 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
			Total: _____

Letters:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	Worth 2 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
			Total: _____

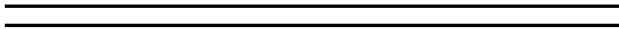
Online conversations:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	Worth 2 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
			Total: _____

Meet for Lunch/Coffee/Pizza:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	Worth 2 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
			Total: _____

Add up the Grand Total for all the ways you Networked: _____



Record of Merit Points
"Making Presentations and Publishing
for 21ST CENTURY LEADERS" for the
"LEADER OF DISTINCTION"
Award Application

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Name: _____

Presentation to Student Group:

Date: _____ **Topic:** _____

Explain aspects of our program through a presentation to your schoolmates.

Presentation to Faculty:

Date: _____ **Topic:** _____

Explain aspects of our program to your school during a faculty meeting.

Worth
10 points each

Total: _____

Presentation to Business or Civic Group:

Date: _____ **Group:** _____

Date: _____ **Group:** _____

Make a presentation that explains aspects of our program and explains why a business or civic group should become involved in our program.

Worth
20 points each

Total: _____

Investigate and Write about a Corporate Culture:

Date: _____ **Topic:** _____

Choose an area for which you have a career interest. Create a thesis describing what you believe its corporate culture to be. Then, investigate through research, including magazines, newspapers, the web and interviews of the people who work there. On our website you may find it useful to choose one of our many sponsors who represent Georgia businesses and corporations. Write a paper of two-three pages detailing your findings for your school or for posting on our website.

Worth
20 points each

Total: _____

Write about Your 21st Century Leaders Experience:

Date: _____ **Topic:** _____

Use your summer journal and your memories to write a two-page paper detailing your experiences and the usefulness of your 21ST CENTURY LEADERS experience.

Worth
10 points each

Total: _____

Add up the Grand Total for all the ways you Presented or Wrote: _____



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Record of Merit Points

"Moving in the Business World of 21ST CENTURY LEADERS"

for the "LEADER OF DISTINCTION"

Award Application

Name: _____

Phone Calls to a Business Person with 21st CL:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	Worth 3 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Total: _____			

E-Mails to a Business Person with 21st CL:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	Worth 3 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Total: _____			

Letters to a Business Person with 21st CL:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	Worth 5 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Total: _____			

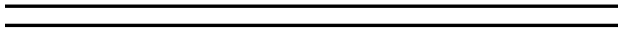
Meet a Business Person with 21st CL for Lunch/Coffee:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	Worth 10 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Topic: _____	
Total: _____			

Shadow a Business Person with 21st CL at his/her workplace for an afternoon or morning:

Name: _____	Date: _____	Business: _____	Worth 15 points each
Name: _____	Date: _____	Business: _____	
Name: _____	Date: _____	Business: _____	
Total: _____			

Add up the Grand Total for all the ways you Moved in the Business World: _____



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Record of Merit Points "Serving Others and My Community through 21st CENTURY LEADERS" for "LEADER OF DISTINCTION" Award Application

Name: _____

Plan a Service Project:

Date: _____ Location: _____

Topic: _____

Attach an outline of project plan.

**Worth
10 points each**

Total: ____

Submit a Proposal to 21st CL for a mini-grant for the above Service Project:

Date Submitted: _____

(Learn how to plan and write proposals for grants at the fall service conference.)

**Worth
10 points each**

Total: ____

Grant Awarded for above Service Project:

Date Awarded: _____ Amount: _____

**Worth
10 points each**

Total: ____

Implement and Complete the above Service Project:

Date: _____ Location: _____

Describe how the Project Turns Out:

**Worth
20 points each**

Total: ____

Evaluate and reflect on the above Service Project:

Write a 2-page paper detailing your experience with the above service project. E-mail it to zuri@21stcenturyleaders.org for a possible posting on our website.

Make a presentation about the project at the next workshop, retreat or summer program.

(Try to include photos or a video of the event).

**Worth
20 points each**

Total: ____

Add up the Grant Total for the Steps You Made in Serving Others: ____

Note: If you work with a 21st CL partner in any stage, you may each receive full points!