

CIVIL AIR PATROL

CIVIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Washington, DC
21-28 February 2009
\$295 Tuition

If you're interested in politics and careers in public service, CAP's Civic Leadership Academy, an intensive 1-week program in Washington, DC, is for you.

CLA cadets receive behind-the-scenes tours and briefings at the Capitol, Supreme Court, State Department, Pentagon, CIA, FBI, Arlington, and more.

They interact with national leaders while learning about the democratic process.

The week culminates with Legislative Day, when cadets meet with their elected representatives on Capitol Hill.

This is not your average field trip to Washington. CLA is an academically-focused activity that includes seminars, readings, and group projects.

CADET ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Have earned the Mitchell Award by 1 October 2008
2. Must be at least 16 years old by 21 February 2009

HOW TO APPLY

1. By **1 October**, email a completed CAPF 31 to bjtourville@capnhq.gov. Attach an email from your wing commander that endorses your application.
2. Include a 1-page resume of your achievements in CAP, school, and community service.

"I learned more about the United States and its government in one week at CLA than I did in an entire year of AP Government class at school." Cadet Daniel Ruffin, '06

3. Include a 1-2 page essay on one of the following topics:
 - a. Why is widespread educational opportunity necessary for a nation to develop a democratic system of government?
 - b. Why should federal courts have the right to declare an act of Congress unconstitutional?
4. Include a recent photo (jpeg) of yourself properly wearing the AF-style blues uniform.
5. Include a letter of recommendation from a teacher.
6. Selections for the Class of 2009 will be announced via email in early December.

SENIOR STAFF

CLA is seeking a small number of adults to serve on the "full-time" staff. "Part-time" escorts are also needed for Legislative Day, 26 February. To apply, email your resume to bjtourville@capnhq.gov by 1 October.

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

The National Association of Secondary School Principals has placed the CAP Civic Leadership Academy on their National Advisory List of Contests & Activities for 2008-09. CLA staff can help cadets request their school's permission to attend the academy.



ACTIVITY FEE

Tuition is \$295, which covers meals, lodging, and activities. A \$150 deposit is due on 4 Jan, with the balance due 1 Feb.

APPLY BY 1 OCTOBER 2008