



2024 – 2025 Schedule of Classes and Attendance Policy

Session	Date(s)	Time
Orientation	7/30	6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Opening Retreat Day 1*	8/2	3:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Opening Retreat Day 2*	8/3	8:00 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.
Exploring our Lenses: Equity and Inclusion	9/6	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday Session	9/9	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Exploring Public Service: Government and Policy	10/4	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday Session	10/7	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Exploring our Selves: Personal Development	11/1	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday Session	11/4	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Exploring When Resources Lack: The Ripple Effect	12/6	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday Session	12/9	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Exploring Well-Being: Community Care	1/10	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday Session	1/13	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Exploring YOU: Telling Your Leadership Story	2/7	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday Session	2/10	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Exploring Economy: Business, STEM & AI	3/7	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday Session	3/10	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Exploring Art: Culture in our Everyday	4/4	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Storytelling Showcase*	4/7	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Exploring Natural Resources: Water Quality & Climate	4/25	8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Graduation Ceremony*	4/28	5:00 – 7:30 p.m.

*Indicates required session

Attendance Policy

- Be sure you can commit to all the class dates and have discussed these with your parent/guardian, as well as other commitments (work, school activities, etc.).
 - Once selected we will work with your school to ensure the absence is excused. The student will need to make up classroom assignments.
- A student will miss **no more** than two Friday experience days and two Monday follow-up sessions to be eligible to successfully complete the program.
- Participants may need to complete a make-up if they miss any portion of class.
- Opening Retreat, Storytelling Showcase and Graduation are required sessions.
- In extreme circumstances, an appeal may be submitted to the YLI Program Manager.

Session Locations

Our session locations are local businesses and our office, The C3 Center, 1910 Ingersoll Ave, Des Moines, IA 50309. One week ahead of each experience day, we will provide an agenda and meeting location. We do not provide transportation to or from the sessions.