

**AHS Link Crew Application: 2009 - 2010**

Also available online at the Link Crew Webpage-  
<http://arapahoe.littletonpublicschools.net/ACTIVITIES/LinkCrew/tabid/2975/Default.aspx>

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1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Grade in 09-10: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Did you apply to be a Link Crew leader last year? Yes/No

4. Were you selected to be a Link Crew leader? Yes/No

If so, how much time did you spend with your group? What activities did you plan that you felt were successful? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. How much time (spent on Link Crew) do you think is necessary to be a good Link Leader?

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6. What are your out-of-school commitments, interests and activities that could affect the time you devote to Link Crew? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. Describe the best experience you've had working with people and how this can translate to your experiences with Link Crew. \_\_\_\_\_

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8. What are your ideas for getting freshmen and new students involved in the school?

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9. How do you want to improve as a leader and how can Link Crew help you?

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## Expectations

As a Link Leader for the 2009-2010 school year, I understand that I will be given a leadership position at Arapahoe High School. I realize that all ninth graders and new students will look to me as a role model. My actions - both good and bad - will be watched carefully by the students and staff.

As a result, I commit to act as a responsible leader for the entire 2009-2010 school year. This means that at home, at school, and during after-school activities, I will represent the Link Crew program in a positive way. I will be a responsible, energetic, and reliable role model at Arapahoe High School.

As a Link Crew leader, I will commit to all the dates, academic, and behavioral expectations presented in the following contract.

- ⇒ *Read the Link Crew Expectations presented on Page 3*
  - ⇒ *Check off each item as you read*
  - ⇒ *Sign & date the contract below*
  - ⇒ *Have your parents read, sign & date the contract below*
  - ⇒ *Detach Page 3 of this packet and keep for your records*
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I have read and understood the expectations presented in the Link Crew Contract. I am available for all assigned dates and commit to the academic and behavior expectations presented.

I agree that if I do not follow these expectations or do not choose to act responsibly, in and out of school, I may be removed from the Link Crew Program. As a result, my freshmen or new students will be assigned to another leader. I understand these consequences as a leader and a role model for freshmen. I will do "the right thing, right" even when adults aren't watching.

I am excited to become a Link Crew Leader at Arapahoe High School. I commit to being a positive role model for my classmates and friends.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*As a parent, I understand the Link Crew expectations including dates, academics and behavior.*

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to Mrs. Ackerman or Mr. Trotter in the English department by Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, no later than 2:13 p.m. Also, don't forget your **three references** need to be turned in by this date. Decisions will be posted in the North Academic Hallway by Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your interest in Link Crew!

## Link Crew Expectations

### Important Dates

The success of Arapahoe High School's Link Crew depends on the quality of our student leaders as well as the quality of the training they receive. As a result, all Link Crew leaders MUST be available for the following days:

- May Play Day:** *May TBA, 4:00– 6:00.* This is a celebratory day for all new Link Crew leaders. Leaders will experience and play the activities they will lead on Orientation Day.
- Link Crew Leader Training:** *August 12, 7:30 – 3:00 and August 13, 8:00 – 1:00.* Link Crew leaders will learn and practice the activities and discussions they will lead with freshman on Orientation Day.
- Orientation Day:** *August 17, 7:00 – 2:00.* The Big Day...Link Crew leaders lead freshman through an opening assembly, orientation activities, a school tour, and team-building discussions.
- Extra-Curricular Events and Activities:** *2009-2010 School Year.* Throughout the year, Link Crew leaders are expected to attend and assist at events such as the Tailgate Parties, Back to School Night, Parent-Teacher Conferences, Cramfest, Freshman Showcase, Teacher Talent Show and more.

**Check your calendars! If you cannot attend these events, you cannot apply to be in Link Crew! NO EXCEPTIONS**

### Academics

An outstanding Link Crew program also develops effective communication between teachers and leaders as well as leaders and freshman. In order to make this communication as easy as possible, Arapahoe offers a Leadership Class as an additional part of Link Crew. You must register for this class.

- Link Crew Leadership Class: Fall Semester, Thursday, Zero Hour (6:20 – 7:20), 2 credits. Students earn one credit for weekly class attendance and the second credit for logging 18 hours of freshman contact time. This time includes attendance at events, activities, visits with freshman, etc. Curriculum covered in the class includes communication, goal-setting, presentation skills, organization, teamwork, and empathy.

### Behavior

- I will not use illegal substances including alcohol, drugs, or tobacco
- I will not commit a crime.

**I am aware the principal will remove me from Link Crew ENTIRELY if I do any of the above behaviors.**

**NO EXCEPTIONS!**

- I will not receive a referral, be suspended, or expelled.
- I will not be disruptive or disrespectful in class.
- I will be a positive influence in the hallways- my clothing, words and actions will be appropriate.
- I will accept all students, even if they are different from me.

**After reading and agreeing to the Link Crew Expectations, sign and date the contract on Page 2. Then, have your parents read, sign, and date the contract. Detach this page and keep for your information. Turn in the rest of the application to Mrs. Ackerman or Mr. Trotter on Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, no later than 2:13 p.m. Also, don't forget your three references need to be turned in by this date. Decisions will be posted in the North Academic Hallway by Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!**