

PAL Advanced Leadership Program Checklist

During your exchange year, you will have the opportunity to complete activities designed to build your leadership skills through World Link's PAL Advanced Leadership Training Program. **YOUR ACTIONS** and completion of the activities listed below will determine if you complete the PAL Program and get the PAL Certificate at the end of the year. Each activity is worth points towards your final year end tally and will be used to determine the top 10% of students. The key to being in the top 10% is consistency. See the PAL Points Chart in your handbook to read about the PAL points system.

WRITE THESE DATES AND ACTIVITIES IN YOUR WORLD LINK PLANNER TODAY. KEEP THIS CHECKLIST!

Activities on this list may not make sense now, but World Link will provide the proper training for you to successfully complete each requirement during your exchange year. Contact Kristin (kristin@worldlinkinc.org) if you have any questions.

All World Link Students are required to:

- End of September:** Join a school club
- By End of Year:** Volunteer at least 30 Community Service Hours (Turn in 'My Monthly Activities' to be counted.)
- November 10th-18th:** Give 1 presentation set up by the student during International Education Week (IEW).
- During Year:** Keep grade point average a 3.0 or higher to stay in good academic standing.
- During Year:** Build strong ties with host families and American peers.

Students on the PAL Program are ALSO required to:

- During Year:** Stay active in a school leadership club or multiple leadership clubs you joined in September.
- November 10th-18th:** Do multiple presentations and cultural sharing activities during International Education Week, competing in World Link's IEW Competition.
- December** – Participate in a holiday service volunteer activity.
- Due February 5th:** Complete Melting Pot Activity and be in World Link's Melting Pot Competition.
- By April 14th:** Organize and implement a Global Youth Service Day Project in the host community. All projects completed on time and reported by April 15th will be considered for World Link's Top Ten GYSD Project Competition.

Students on the Advanced Leadership Track and in the top 10% will be invited to the PAL-NYC Workshop. Note: The number of participants and location of the workshop is contingent on funding.



WE ENCOURAGE ALL STUDENTS TO COMPLETE THE PAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS TO GET THE MOST BENEFITS OUT OF OUR PROGRAM AND EXCHANGE YEAR. THIS PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO HELP STUDENTS BECOME SUCCESSFUL ALUMNI AND LEADERS.

State Department Volunteer Service Award:

All World Link students are eligible to receive the State Department Volunteer Service Award. To receive this award, a student must volunteer for 100 hours of community service and have reported those hours on their "My Monthly Activities" forms which were properly submitted each month. Hours will then be verified by World Link National Staff. Students who have successfully completed the 100-hour requirement will receive this award at the end of the exchange year.