



The Ivy League Connection

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- 1) **I understand** that a scholarship from The Ivy League Connection is a privilege and not an entitlement and that privileges can be revoked.
- 2) **I understand** that being on time is a valuable tool to learn and that **tardiness WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.**
- 3) **I understand** that I will be expected to attend at least one dinner this spring where I will have the opportunity to meet the sponsors of the Ivy League Connection as well as my chaperone, ILC administrators and alums from the university I will be attending this summer.
- 4) **I understand** that I **must** bring **one** parent or guardian to these dinners.
- 5) **I understand** that I **may** be asked to give a brief speech at this dinner.
- 6) **I understand** that I will be expected to dress appropriately for these dinners wearing an attire suitable for an interview at a Fortune 500 company, a wedding, a scholarship interview or any other such event requiring sartorial splendor.
- 7) **I understand** that there is a dress code when participating in ILC events that will not bring shame on the program or my community.
- 8) **I understand** that while attending my Ivy League school my parents or guardians will **not** be allowed to visit with me nor will I be allowed to leave campus to visit with them.
- 9) **I understand** that any visits to other college campuses while attending my Ivy League school are compulsory and that **my parents, guardians, siblings and friends will not be allowed to join me.**
- 10) **I understand** that I will be expected to attend a meeting of my local City Council where I may be asked to speak to them about how I will be a representative of my community.
- 11) **I understand** that I will be required to attend one meeting of the WCCUSD School Board to be recognized by my community and I may be asked to speak

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before that assemblage to explain how I will be an ambassador for my community.

- 12) **I understand** that there will be a mandatory tutorial session that I will be required to attend.
- 13) **I understand** that there will be mandatory training on blogging and photography that I must participate in.
- 14) **I understand** that I will be expected to be at least on time to every ILC event and that I will strive to be early.
- 15) **I understand** that I shall keep the ILC apprised of any changes to the contact information for myself and my parents or guardians.
- 16) **I understand** that my cohort will be setting up a blog site supplied and administered by the ILC and that I will be expected to participate in this process.
- 17) **I understand** that I will be required to post periodic blogs to the ILC blog site between now and the time I leave for my Ivy League school. These will include milestone events such as the tutorials, casual dinners, formal dinners, school board meeting, orientation, city council meeting and the day before my departure to my Ivy League School.
- 18) **I understand** that I will be required to post daily blogs to the ILC blog site from the time I depart for my Ivy League school until I return.
- 19) **I understand** that I will be expected to post blog entries to the ILC blog site when I return from my Ivy League school describing my experiences while there.
- 20) **I understand** that after I return from my Ivy League school I will be expected to fill out and return a questionnaire about my experiences as a member of the ILC. I understand that I will be expected to adhere to the target deadline given for completion of this questionnaire.
- 21) **I understand** that I will be expected to check my emails **every day**.
- 22) **I understand** that I will be expected to respond to every email from the ILC administration and chaperone even if it's only to acknowledge that I've received the email.

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- 23) **I understand** that for the purposes of this program, I will be required to set up and use a professional looking email address that will include my name in the email address.
- 24) **I understand** that I will be expected to maintain an open line of communication between myself and the ILC administration.
- 25) **I understand** that I will be under the care and guidance of the ILC administration team (Charles Ramsey, Madeline Kronenberg and Don Gosney) and that I will also be under the care and guidance of an ILC chaperone assigned to my Ivy League group.
- 26) **I understand** that I will be expected to maintain my studies to the highest level both here at home and also while attending my Ivy League school.
- 27) **I understand** that should I fail to maintain my grades between the time I am selected for the ILC and the time of departure, that my participation in the ILC may be terminated.
- 28) **I understand** that while at any ILC event I will not be allowed to smoke, drink alcoholic beverages or use any drug not prescribed to me by my own physician. **I understand that any violation of this policy will immediately end my participation with the ILC and I will be returned to California immediately.**
- 29) **I understand** that I will be expected and encouraged to bring to the attention of the ILC administration any problems that I may have with the program, the Ivy League School I'm attending or the ILC administrators.
- 30) **I understand** that I am expected to treat my ILC cohorts, my chaperone, the ILC administrators and all personnel at my Ivy League school with the same respect that I demand from them.
- 31) **I understand** that any violation of the previous item (#30) will be grounds for my immediate dismissal from the Ivy League Connection and **I will be sent home immediately.**
- 32) **I understand** that photos and videos will be taken of me and that I relinquish all rights to the use of those images.

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- 33) **I understand** that there will be at least one mandatory orientation meeting of the ILC members and I and at least one parent will attend this meeting.
- 34) **I understand** that the Ivy League Connection is, for the most part, a privately financed scholarship program and that I am not entitled to anything above and beyond what has been promised to me.
- 35) **I understand** that my parents and guardians are an integral part of my ILC experience and that they will participate as much as possible and practical.
- 36) **I understand** that it will be my responsibility to apply online for my chosen class. I further understand that I will provide copies of this application to the ILC and will alert them every step of the way of my status.
- 37) **I understand** that I will provide copies to the ILC Administrators of all correspondence between myself and my Ivy League School.
- 38) **I understand** that the ILC will pay for my registration and tuition to my Ivy League school during my tenure with this program.
- 39) **I understand** that the ILC will pay for all textbooks necessary for my participation in the ILC.
- 40) **I understand** that the ILC will pay for my transportation, food and lodging to and from my Ivy League school.
- 41) **I understand** that the ILC will help me in every way possible to succeed as an ILC member.
- 42) **I understand** that while attending my Ivy League school that I will be responsible for any incidental personal expenses.
- 43) **I understand** that if I take photos or videos at any of the ILC events or while attending my Ivy League school, the ILC would love for me to share them with the program so they can be archived and used to showcase the program. [A subscription to MediaFire has been set up to easily download the photos.]
- 44) **I understand** that I will need a laptop when I travel back east. [If you cannot provide one, the ILC can make arrangements to loan you one.]

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- 45) **I understand** that I will not be allowed to access firearms or any explosive devices while participating in any ILC events and that a violation of this rule will **immediately end** my participation in the ILC.
- 46) **I understand** that once I leave home I will be under the care, supervision and control of the ILC Administrators and Chaperone.
- 47) **I understand** that **any** failure on my part to follow the instructions of my Chaperone or any representative of my Ivy League School will result in me being **immediately returned home to my parents.**
- 48) **I understand** that learning to follow instructions and living up to my commitments is a critical part of my future success and, along with blogging and time management, will be my Rule of Life.
- 49) **I understand** that my participation as a member of the ILC is a privilege—a privilege that can be revoked if I give the ILC administration cause to do so.
- 50) **I understand** that at the end of the day, this is all supposed to be fun and an adventure and I will strive to enjoy myself.