**Jamaica Dyslexia Association Youth Ambassador**

 APPLICATION FORM

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| The Jamaica Dyslexia Association Youth Ambassador is an honorary title given to students who have dyslexia. This involves selecting two students from each of the three counties in Jamaica:  Cornwall, Middlesex and Surrey to serve as Ambassadors for 12 months to help raise awareness of dyslexia in their schools and their local communities. |

*The Jamaica Dyslexia Association youth ambassador is a volunteer service position.*

*See page 4 for the youth ambassador role & responsibilities*

(Please complete all requested information required below)

1. Personal information

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| Name: |   |
| Surname: |       |
| DOB: |       |
| TRN: |       |
| County and Parish |       |
| Address: |       |
| Contact number: |       |
| Email Address: |       |

1. School details

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| Name of School: |       |
| Grade: |       |
| Address of school  |       |
| Contact number: |       |
| Email address: |       |

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| Provide a summary of why you should be considered for selection as a JDA Youth Ambassador. |
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| Briefly describe yourself, your interests, personality/character, and strengths, as well as your likes and dislikes. |
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Applications close at 5:30 pm Friday, March 5, 2021

After all the applications have been reviewed, applicants will be notified if they were successful in making it to the next round, the interview selection process.

**YOUTH AMBASSADOR ROLE & RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Youth Ambassador will be able to:**

* Serve as youth representatives of the JDA.
* Serve a one-year term.
* Speak publicly about issues vital to dyslexia.
* Serve as a role model for dyslexic students setting an example of positive and responsible teen attitudes and behaviour.
* Be able to communicate effectively via social media.
* Participate in JDA, events, campaigns, programs, and activities.

***Terms and conditions of entry***

Applicant must:

* A student, ages 15–24 who have dyslexia.
* Have some knowledge about dyslexia
* Live in one of the three counties in Jamaica.
* Be willing and able to travel locally for training and events.
* Be able to work in a team
* Be prepared to meet all of the obligations outlined in this “Role and Responsibilities.”

***Benefits***

There are many benefits to becoming a JDA Youth Ambassador, such as:

* Profile on JDA Official Website.
* Opportunity to speak and represent the JDA at public events.
* Reference and letter of recommendation for colleges, internships & job opportunities.
* Opportunity to make a difference in youth leadership and development.
* Opportunities to network with peers.
* Opportunity to be connected to a vast network of dyslexia advocates, business leaders, government staff and other key organizations.
* Community service hours for school.