



WILDLIFE
LEADERSHIP
ACADEMY

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8 KEY FACTS ABOUT THE WILDLIFE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

1 The Academy's year-round training and community service experience for high school age youth begins with an intense summer Field Schools, each focusing on a specific wildlife biology, its habitat, and conservation as well as leadership skills development.

2 The Field Schools are followed by year-round mentoring offered by Academy staff and our partners as the students contribute to conservation outreach and service projects in their local communities.

3 The Academy field schools focus on different Pennsylvania wildlife species including deer, grouse, trout, bear, bass, and turkey.

4 Leading experts of wildlife biologists, media professionals, and educators instruct and mentor Academy students at the five-day Field Schools.

5 Students engage in hands-on learning about a given species' anatomy, ecology, and management, and learn how to communicate through print media, television and radio interviews, and educational programs.

6 Throughout the Field Schools, students participate in group presentations and projects, a mock town meeting, and team-building exercises to build leadership and interpersonal skills.

7 After each Field School, the students extend their knowledge in their own communities to educate and inspire others conservation through outreach, in the form of education, service, media engagement, creative arts, and outdoor mentorship.

8 Students submit record books of their outreach accomplishments to compete for opportunities to assist with the next year's Field Schools, attend special field trips with instructors, attend wildlife conferences and receive college scholarships.