



February 1, 2008

Dear Sophomore Ambassador,

**Congratulations!** You have been selected to represent your high school at the Maryland Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Seminar. You were chosen because of the outstanding leadership potential you have demonstrated in school and community activities.

The HOBY Maryland Leadership Seminar will take place from 8:00 am Friday May 23 until 3:30 pm Sunday May 25 – Memorial Day weekend. The event will be held at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, with more than 185 sophomores in attendance. Your Registration Fee has been paid, and excluding transportation to and from the site, a sponsor has generously paid for the remainder of your seminar expenses. During the weekend, you will join other "HOBY Ambassadors" from our state to enjoy a unique learning experience. We will present multiple viewpoints on important issues and encourage you to think critically about leadership, and also begin to identify your own particular leadership strengths. The seminar will be an enjoyable experience in a stimulating workshop environment. What you get out of the seminar will correlate directly with your level of participation in the activities – come prepared to interact!

Enclosed, please find the HOBY pre-seminar materials and program details. Please ensure that you thoroughly review and complete all of the forms with your parent or guardian. You must return the following forms to me by April 1, 2008:

1. **Participant Confirmation Form**
2. **Medical History Records Form (2 pages)**
3. **Medication Verification Form for Physicians**
4. **Health Insurance Form**
5. **Consent & Acknowledgment of Risk Form**
6. **Notice of Privacy Practices**
7. **Saturday Service Form**
8. **Talent Showcase Form**
9. **Parents' Lunch & Closing Ceremonies Form**
10. **Bio & Photo Form**

Give the Principal's letter to the school office and use the PR Release in your school or neighborhood paper to announce your selection as your school's ambassador to HOBY.

If you will be bringing medication with you, you must also complete the **Medication Verification Form for Physicians** and bring it with you on the first day of the seminar.

If you have any questions or if you find you will not be able to attend the seminar, please contact me at 410-426-8287 home or 410-746-0150 cell. Should you have any problems while en route to the seminar, please call 301-318-2256 and ask for Aaron Bernstein. We are delighted to offer you this opportunity and look forward to greeting you personally at the Maryland Leadership Seminar.

Sincerely,

Carol Applegate, Chair  
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