



# Idanr • Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara Region

## Youth Ambassador

The Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara Region (LDANR) is a registered charity whose mission is to provide resources and support to individuals affected by learning disabilities within the Niagara Region. We provide leadership in learning disabilities advocacy, research, education and services.

The LDANR is presently seeking three (3) youth for the following online position:

### **Youth-to-Youth (Y2Y) Ambassador**

#### **Benefits**

- \$500.00 gratitude payment as thanks for your contributions to your community;
- Valuable experience in planning and organizing events;
- Support fellow youth living with a Learning Disability and/or ADHD;
- Connections with fellow ambassadors and with industry professionals;
- Letter of recommendation upon completion.

#### **Commitment**

This position begins in October 2021 and concludes in June 2022. The time commitment is approximately 2.5 hours per month, plus 3 hours training and orientation prior to the start of the program.

The Y2Y Ambassadors will commit to the following:

- **Training:** 3 hours of mandatory orientation/training prior to the start of program (delivered via Microsoft Teams);
- **Planning Meetings:** 1-hour per month (October 2021 to June 2022);
- **Support Group:** 1.5 hours per month (the last Wednesday of each month\*\* (October 2021 to June 2022) from 6:00 – 7:30 pm).

*\*\*with the exception of June 2022, where the session will take place the second Wednesday of the month*

## Responsibilities

- Meet monthly with the Program Coordinator and Program Facilitators to organize a monthly support group on a variety of topics related to learning disabilities for other youth living with a Learning Disability, in collaboration with other ambassadors;
- Share experiences of living with a Learning Disability in order to empower and support other youth at the monthly youth support group.

## Criteria

Applicants must:

- Be between the ages of 18 and 24 years of age (inclusive);
- Have an official diagnosis of a Learning Disability and/or ADHD;
- Reside within the Niagara area;
- **Be willing to share their own experiences of living with a Learning Disability and/or ADHD to support and empower other youth;**
- Have access to a working device with microphone, camera and reliable internet access;
- Have experience with Microsoft Office applications, specifically Microsoft Teams;

## Qualifications

Applicants should demonstrate:

- Strong communication/social skills;
- An energetic and enthusiastic attitude to motivate others;
- The ability to work independently with minimal supervision and to work within a team;
- Strong organizational and multi-tasking skills and ability to adapt to change;
- Leadership aptitude and an interest in community service;
- Good moral and ethical character.

If selected, applicants will be required to provide the LDANR with the following:

- Police Vulnerable Sectors Clearance (PSVC) **(within 1 year)**;
- Certificate of completion of *Accessibility of Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)* training module – [Click here to access.](#)
- Certificate of completion of *Ministry of Labour Worker Health and Safety Awareness in 4 Steps* training module – [Click here to access.](#)

## Application Procedure

[Click here to complete an application form.](#) Applications must be filled out no later than 11:59 pm on **October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.**

Applicants will be asked to submit a piece of work explaining **what being a “Youth Ambassador” for LDANR means to them, and how they will utilize the experience to benefit their local community.** This can be done in any format, including but not limited to video, PowerPoint, art, or essay. This must be done in the applicant’s own original work and must not be undertaken by an adult.

*The Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara Region is committed to our Accessibility and Accommodation policy. We welcome and encourage applications from individuals with disabilities. Candidates taking part in all aspects of the recruitment and selection process are encouraged to communicate needs for accommodation and we will partner with you to meet those needs.*

*We thank all who apply; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. No phone calls please. For more information about LDANR, please refer to our website [www.LDANiagara.org](http://www.LDANiagara.org)*