



# LEWIS LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

## UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL LEWIS STUDENTS

The John Lewis Leadership Program provides real-world leadership development through field trips, guest speakers, service projects, specialized coursework, internships, and university partnerships. These unique student leadership opportunities are supported by more than 70 organization and university partners, including the family of Congressman Lewis. The program is flexible and personalized, and each student's pathway is different.

Organization partners provide unique experiences just for Lewis students, with opportunities to develop essential leadership skills that colleges and employers value.

### CORE EXPERIENCES

Core courses such as World History 2, English 10, and Government are different at Lewis High School. These courses are enhanced with unique opportunities, so that students grow as leaders while learning core content and meeting graduation requirements. In these courses, students take field trips, learn from guest speakers, explore relevant career pathways, reflect on their values and goals, and complete a community action project.

### OPTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Students can also choose a deeper engagement by attending optional field trips and events, participating in service and advocacy projects, completing an internship, documenting their growth in a leadership portfolio, and presenting their learning to a public audience. Students can access these opportunities through certain elective classes such as the Lewis Leadership Lab 1-4 or by meeting with Lewis Leadership Program staff to design their own pathway.

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## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Through the Lewis Leadership Program, students build the skills that colleges and employers value through unique experiences designed just for them. Here are some of the things students have experienced through the program:



### FIELD TRIPS

- Lewis Legacy Trip: sites connected to John Lewis's life in Alabama, Tennessee, and Georgia
- US Capitol to meet with Senator Mark Warner
- George Mason University to participate in the Youth Conflict Resolution Summit
- American Mathematical Society to explore math's role in policy-making
- NASA Langley Research Center



### GUEST SPEAKERS

- Secretary of the Smithsonian Institute Dr. Lonnie Bunch
- Civil Rights activist Courtland Cox
- Walt Disney Studios executive Stephen Leach
- National Labor Relations Board Member Gwynne Wilcox
- Fairfax County Director of Health Gloria Addo-Ayensu



### STUDENT-LED PROJECTS

- **Change-Makers:** students learned sustainable agriculture and carpentry to build 100 garden beds for a community farm
- **Our Stories Matter:** students joined George Mason University professors and students to apply oral history and web publishing skills, documenting our community's history
- **Art and Advocacy:** students work with professional artist Derek Heard to produce art for a National Park Service campaign commemorating Civil Rights and disability history