



## Fall College Retreat at the Reagan Ranch Santa Barbara, California November 12 & 13, 2021

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### Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Who can attend?**

Students currently enrolled in college are invited to attend this program.

#### **When should I arrive?**

You should arrive on Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> for check in at the Reagan Ranch Center (217 State Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101). Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. and ends at 12:30 p.m.

#### **What time does the conference end?**

The conference ends Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. We recommend flights depart on Saturday night after 6:30 p.m. FULL TIME attendance is **required**. Flights requiring a departure prior to 5:00 p.m. are not allowed.

If the *only* returning flight would leave your student in an airport overnight for a layover, we are able to assist with accommodations Saturday night. Stay over rooms are limited. Contact Madison Habersetzer at [madisonh@reaganranch.org](mailto:madisonh@reaganranch.org) for more information.

#### **What are the hotel accommodations?**

You will be assigned to a room at the Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort (633 E Cabrillo Blvd, Santa Barbara, CA 93103) and will receive your hotel assignment at check in. You will have one or two roommates of the same sex. The registration form contains a blank in which you can request a roommate, and we will do our best to accommodate your requests. Room keys will be available at the hotels at 4:00 p.m.

## **Can I stay an extra night in the hotel?**

For students who are traveling a great distance and are unable to fly out on Saturday night, there is an opportunity to stay at the hotel for an extra night at a reduced rate. Young America's Foundation has a limited number of hotel rooms, available for a subsidized rate of \$75 per student paid directly to the Foundation. To reserve a room, call Conference Co-Director Madison Habersetzer at 805-957-1980.

Students utilizing a hotel room subsidized by the Foundation on Saturday night agree to –

- Continue to abide by the Foundation's responsibility pledge, which they signed prior to the program. This includes the expectation that only students assigned to the hotel room will be sleeping in the room. Any infraction will eliminate students' opportunities to participate in future programs.
- Attend all required portions of the program, including an additional closing dinner banquet at 7:00 PM at the Reagan Ranch Center.

## **Is tuition assistance available?**

Tuition assistance may be available on a case-by-case basis for those with financial need. If you have financial need, please email a brief essay (no more than a page) to Madison Habersetzer at [madisonh@reaganranch.org](mailto:madisonh@reaganranch.org) with some language regarding your financial need and what you hope to gain by attending the conference. We cannot consider your request until we receive this essay.

## **Is travel assistance available?**

While travel assistance is never guaranteed, Young America's Foundation will gladly consider all completed requests.

Travel assistance may be available on a case-by-case basis for those with financial need. If you have financial need, please email a brief essay (no more than a page) to [travel@yaf.org](mailto:travel@yaf.org) that includes:

Language regarding your financial need

- What you hope to gain by attending the conference
- Your travel plans
- The expected amount of your travel plans and the amount you are requesting. (For example, Expected travel costs from IAD to SBA \$500. I am requesting \$200 in assistance.)
- The subject line for this email should read "Fall College Retreat – Travel Assistance Request"

Please register for the program before submitting your travel assistance essay. Travel assistance essays are due three weeks prior to the event, and we will not

consider your request until we receive this completed essay.

### **Can I sponsor a student to attend this program?**

Yes! Your generous tax-deductible gift of \$1000 will allow Young America's Foundation to host a student at this program who could not otherwise attend. You can designate a specific student you know to attend, or sponsor a student who is receiving free tuition as a result of financial need. For more information about these and other sponsorship opportunities, please contact Young America's Foundation development officer Alec Sackett at [alecs@reaganranch.org](mailto:alecs@reaganranch.org) or call 805-957-1980.

### **How do I cancel my attendance?**

If you can no longer attend for any reason, please email [madisonh@reaganranch.org](mailto:madisonh@reaganranch.org) with your *name* and indicate for which *conference* you need to cancel. If you cancel prior to October 15, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. PST, you will receive a full refund. Please check your card statement to verify your refund was processed.

If, after canceling, you continue to receive correspondence about this conference, please forward your original email to both [madisonh@reaganranch.org](mailto:madisonh@reaganranch.org) and [bmarsh@yaf.org](mailto:bmarsh@yaf.org).

### **To which airport do I fly?**

You should fly to Santa Barbara Airport (SBA), if possible, or you can arrive at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and take a 2-hour bus ride to Santa Barbara through the Santa Barbara Airbus (Please visit [www.sbairbus.com](http://www.sbairbus.com) for more information). Another option is to fly to Burbank airport and take the Amtrak train to Santa Barbara, but this option will add several hours to your trip.

### **How will I get to and from the airport and the conference?**

Students must arrange their own transportation from the airport to the conference.

### **Can I take the bus?**

Yes, Greyhound has buses to downtown Santa Barbara, but they are not within walking distance of the Reagan Ranch Center or the hotels. You can take a taxi or Uber to the Reagan Ranch Center from the bus stop. Please visit [www.greyhound.com](http://www.greyhound.com) for more information on this option.

### **Can I take the train?**

Yes, Amtrak runs trains through Santa Barbara on its Pacific Surfliner route, which spans from San Diego to San Luis Obispo. The train station is located right in front of the Reagan Ranch Center and is a short walk to the hotels. Please visit

www.amtrakcalifornia.com for more information on this option.

### **Will students have free time during the conference?**

No, because the event is only two days long, there is minimal free time. If you wish to tour Santa Barbara, please make your own plans to arrive on Thursday or stay through Saturday night and Sunday. Young America's Foundation only covers your hotel room on Friday night, and you will check out on Saturday morning before the sessions. A luggage storage room will be provided.

### **What does the conference fee include?**

The \$50 conference registration fee includes Friday night at a Santa Barbara hotel, conference materials, and meals from Friday dinner through Saturday lunch.

### **What is the dress code for this conference?**

Dress for Friday afternoon sessions is business casual. This means slacks, polo or button-up shirts, sweaters, etc. **Jeans, shorts, and t-shirts are not acceptable attire.** Dress for the Friday dinner banquet is business professional. This means a suit for the gentlemen and a suit or dress for the ladies.

Dress for Saturday morning sessions and the trip up to the Ranch is casual, but respectful. Please pack layered clothes and bring a jacket as weather can be unpredictable on the mountain. **Jeans are acceptable as long as there are no holes or tears.** Be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes

### **What are the activities during the conference?**

The program begins on Friday afternoon with speaker and question-and-answer sessions. Friday evening includes a reception and business formal banquet. Saturday features morning speaker and question-and-answer sessions and then a memorable a trip to and tour of the Reagan Ranch! Students will receive a detailed agenda via email prior to the conference.

### **What are the terms and conditions of the conference?**

*A. LIMITED SPACE.* I understand that I am applying for a limited amount of space at this conference and that my application is subject to confirmation. I understand that all applications submitted prior to October 15, 2021 will receive a response on October 15, 2021 regarding acceptance. Applicants that apply after October 15, 2021 will receive notice within 2 weeks of their application submission. In the event I have not been accepted I will be refunded via my original payment method.

*B. FAILURE TO ATTEND.* I recognize that my participation in this conference is made possible through the generous financial support of Young America's Foundation's supporters nationwide. As such I agree to attend all sessions of the Fall College

Retreat. I understand that if I fail to attend all sessions of conference, I will be charged, and I agree to pay, the total cost of my attendance for the conference including the hotel, food, and conference costs, which is \$1000.

*C. PLEDGE NOT TO DISRUPT.* I assert that I am not here under any false pretense. I will not disrupt or undermine the event by my actions.

*D. PROMOTION OF OTHER GROUPS.* I understand that Young America's Foundation has a set procedure in place for outside organizations to attend the event and I am not allowed to promote any other groups or organizations without written permission from Young America's Foundation.

*E. FAILURE TO NOTIFY OF CANCELLATION.* Except in case of emergency, I must notify Young America's Foundation by October 15, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. PST of my inability to attend or I will be charged the supplemental fee of \$1000 since it is too late to give my spot to another student.

*F. LATE CANCELLATION.* I understand that the conference fee is not refundable if I cancel my participation after October 15, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. PST.

*G. ROOMMATES.* I understand I will be assigned roommates for the conference. I may request preferred roommates of the same sex, but there is a chance I may not be able to room with them.

*H) HOTEL RULES/REGULATIONS.* I agree to abide by all rules and instructions of Young America's Foundation and to obey all laws. I agree to notify Young America's Foundation's staff immediately if a problem arises during the conference.

*I. WAIVER.* Young America's Foundation uses real photos, videos, and quotes from our students for promotional purposes and to advance its mission. By attending this program, I do hereby grant Young America's Foundation ("the Foundation") permission to use, exploit, adapt, modify, reproduce, distribute, publicly perform and display, in any form now known or later developed, my image or visual likeness, my name and/or my voice ("Personal Information") throughout the world, by incorporating it or them into publications, catalogues, brochures, books, magazines, photo exhibits, motion picture films, videotapes, websites, and/or other media ("Works") or commercial, informational, educational, advertising, fundraising, or promotional materials relating thereto. I waive any right to inspect or approve any Works that may be created using the Personal Information and waive any claim with respect to the eventual use to which the personal information may be applied. The Personal Information may be used at the Foundation's sole discretion. I understand and agree that the Foundation is and shall be the exclusive owner of all right, title, and interest, including copyright, in the Works, and any commercial, informational, educational, advertising, fundraising, or promotional material containing the Personal Information.

*J. ADDED TO EMAIL LIST.* I understand that my email address will be added to the YAF email list for notification of future events.

*K. OPT IN TO TEXTING SERVICE.* By registering, I agree that the phone number I have provided under Cell Phone is my own and that YAF may call and send text messages to this phone number in order to respond to and provide me with information and services related to my request, comments, and questions regarding YAF. Message and data rates may apply. Text Stop to stop.

*L. SOCIAL MEDIA/PRIVATE MESSAGING.* I understand that the words, statements, and images that I post on social media or send through private forms of communication may reflect on YAF and the Conservative Movement as a whole. I understand that during the conference, YAF is monitoring participants social media posts, including but not limited to, posts on Facebook, Twitter, and Group Me. I understand that by posting, or sending, inappropriate words, statements, or images (as determined by YAF), I may be removed from the conference, in which case I forfeit my registration fee and I will be liable to pay the remainder of the \$1000 program cost.

*M. FAILURE TO ABIDE BY TERMS AND CONDITIONS.* I understand that if I fail to abide by these terms I will forfeit my registration fee and liable to pay the remainder of the \$1000 program costs.