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### **CHS MYLead Ambassadors Announced**



Eight exceptional students have been selected by their teachers as this year's MYLead Ambassadors for Charlotte High School. The top candidate, Mackenzie Forell, is the daughter of Julie and Travis Forell. Mackenzie received a full scholarship to the conference from MYLead. With the generous full scholarship from the General Federation Women's Club of Charlotte, Ashley Friar, daughter of Michael and Kelly Friar, will serve as an ambassador as well. Earning partial scholarships from Charlotte High School, the six additional sophomore participants are: Taylor Lindsay, daughter of Karen and Wayne Lindsay; Jarrad Epkey, son of Jenifer and Brian Epkey; Parker Hice, son of Shawnda and Chris Hice; Lacy Jewell, daughter of Diana and Tim Jewell; Lynsey Peters, daughter of Jennifer and Timothy Peters; Madison Auten, daughter of Hollie and Rod Auten. The Youth Leadership Conference is held annually in May and June at Michigan State University. Jarrad Epkey attended the May conference and found it to

be an amazing learning experience that will propel him forward as a leader at the high school. The other seven students look forward to attending the upcoming June conference.

MYLead (Michigan Youth Leadership) is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to develop leadership potential in the youth of Michigan. MYLead focuses on five key actions: motivating youth about making a positive impact; enabling youth to become successful leaders by explaining how and instilling the confidence to take action; emphasizing leadership and the need for good leaders in all areas of life, and helping youth to have the will to fulfill this need; encouraging youth to help others through service; and helping youth become leaders both now and in the future. The goal is for students to take these actions back to their schools and continue to make a difference while teaching others how to do the same. Specific skills to be taught at the conference are leadership skill enhancement, critical thinking development, creative problem-solving, and positive peer interaction. What a great opportunity for our ambassadors of Charlotte High School! Congratulations to all eight of these highly qualified young people!

For more information about MYLead, visit [www.mylead.org](http://www.mylead.org).