HOBY OHIO SOUTH



For more than 50 years, Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) has proven to be an educational, life-changing experience that provides leadership development skills with a strong focus on community service. With the goal to Empower, Lead, Excel, HOBY inspires its participants and volunteers to make a difference.

Vision

To motivate and empower individuals to make a positive difference within our global society, through understanding and action, based on effective and compassionate leadership.

Mission

To inspire and develop our global community of youth and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service and innovation.

Core Values

Volunteerism - Volunteerism is the heart and soul of our organization. We appreciate the myriad contributions of our volunteers, and recognize the power of thank you and of giving back. We seek to promote and encourage service among our stakeholders. We recognize and value the positive accomplishments that volunteers can achieve by working together. We believe that volunteers are positively impacted by our programs as much as the youth and communities we serve.

Integrity – Integrity forms the foundation of our organization. We demand the highest level of ethics. We grow our organization based on interactions that promote mutual trust and respect with our stakeholders and partners. We strive to ensure the highest level of organizational effectiveness by continually reviewing our programs and processes to improve quality and efficiency.

Excellence – We strive to continually raise our programs and business to new levels of excellence. We encourage entrepreneurship and innovation in business, education, and social responsibility. We develop creative solutions to address challenges and to utilize opportunities. We believe that leadership skills can and should be continually improved and refined.

Diversity – We value and embrace diversity. We seek out views that reflect all walks of life, and reflect those views in our programs. We are sensitive to the special needs and diverse backgrounds of individuals. We give all individuals an equal opportunity to be heard and to benefit from our programs.

Community Partnership – We value community partnerships. We recognize the importance of working with community organizations to strengthen our supportive network. We value the input we receive from our community partners, and strive to work together cooperatively and constructively for the betterment of all.

What Leaders Are Saying About HOBY:

George W. Bush, 43rd President of the United States

"Education plays an essential role in helping students develop into future leaders. The skills and ideas young people acquire will help them make wise decisions in the coming years. Through these seminars, held annually in each of our United States, Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) provides excellent opportunities for students to better understand the workings of democracy and the free enterprise system."

Hillary Rodham Clinton, Former United States Secretary of State

"By encouraging leadership and educating teenagers about the vast world of opportunities before them, the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) program is making a very important contribution to our nation's future."

Actor James Van Der Beek, 1993 HOBY Alumnus

"One of the best things that Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) does is it labels every student who attends the conference a leader, whether they've ever considered themselves one before or not. Second thing it does is it allows sophomores, possibly for the first time in their lives, a chance to leave behind everyone's ideas of who they are. For that weekend... they're completely free to come up with their own definition of self..."

HOBY Ohio History

- 1978: The first Ohio HOBY leadership seminar took place in Columbus and was attended by 150 Ohio students.
- 1981: First HOBY seminar in northern Ohio.
- 1988: First HOBY seminar in western Ohio.
- 1995: The development of a fourth Ohio seminar site came when the first HOBY seminar was held in southwest Ohio.
- 2017: Over 800 Ohio students will attend the four HOBY seminars in Ohio.

2017 HOBY Ohio Seminars

- Ohio North Youngstown State University Youngstown, Ohio June 1-4, 2017
- Ohio South Marietta College Marietta, Ohio June 8-11, 2017
- Ohio Southwest Urbana University Urbana, Ohio June 15-18, 2017
- Ohio West
 Ohio Northern University
 Ada, Ohio
 June 8-11, 2017

HOBY Ohio South Information

- In 2017, HOBY Ohio South will host 200 students from central and southeastern Ohio, representing nearly 70% of the high schools in this area.
- HOBY Ohio South will be moving locations in 2017 to Marietta College, who has one of the top rated Leadership programs
- HOBY International has recognized the Ohio South seminar site as one of the top HOBY seminars in the nation every year since 1998.
 - Outstanding Leadership Seminar (1998-2003, 2006-2016)
 - Superior Leadership Seminar (2004, 2005)