**TU Teen Summit Application**

**Dates: Wednesday June 28 – Sunday July 2, 2023**

Hi! We’re so pleased you want to join us for the TU Teen Summit. Please fill out this application and answer the followingessay-style questions as thoroughly as possible.

This is a competitive process. Not all applicants will be accepted, so please take your time to answer each question thoroughly in essay form. You must be in 8th, 9th, 10th, or 11th grade to be eligible.

\*If you have previously attended a Summit, contact Franklin Tate for a different application\*

**Instructions:**

1. Please type your responses into this document, save it, and attach it to an email to Franklin Tate, ftate@tu.org
2. Include two letters of recommendation from individuals that are non-family members (some examples: coach, teacher, mentor, boss, peer) who can tell us why you are an outstanding candidate for TU’s Teen Summit.
3. The deadline to submit your application is Friday, March 17th 2023 at midnight.
4. Email your application to Franklin Tate ftate@tu.org: attach the completed word document to an email OR send a cloud link. If sending a link to Google Drive, etc. please be sure permissions are set so anyone with the link can access.
5. Finalists will be contacted by Franklin Tate to schedule an interview in March.

**Part One: Your Information**

First, Middle, Last Name:

Home address (street, city, state, zip code):

Your email:

A Parent or Guardian’s email:

Phone number where we can reach you for an interview:

Name of school:

Current grade:

Gender (male, female, another gender, or prefer not to say):

TU Chapter (if applicable):

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**Part Two: Essay Questions**Please answer each of the following essay questions. Answers should be between 100-500 words.

1. Why do you want to attend the TU Teen Summit and what do you hope to get from it?
2. Give an example of a time that you demonstrated leadership. What did you do and how did it affect others?
3. Please explain your involvement with Trout Unlimited and/or conservation so far.
4. How do you identify with TU’s mission to bring together diverse interests to care for and recover rivers and streams so our children can experience the joy of wild and native trout and salmon?
5. After the Summit, you will be part of the Youth Leadership Council. This group of teens is charged with planning, promoting, and expanding TU Teen programs with help from TU staff. What unique skills do you have that might be an asset to the group?
6. Will you have time in your schedule after the Summit to dedicate to planning and participating in TU Teen programs (at least one hour per month in the evening for calls plus community outreach events with TU where applicable)?
7. What activity or benefit could TU offer that would most interest teenagers in your community?