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# RISE

A Teen Leadership Development Program

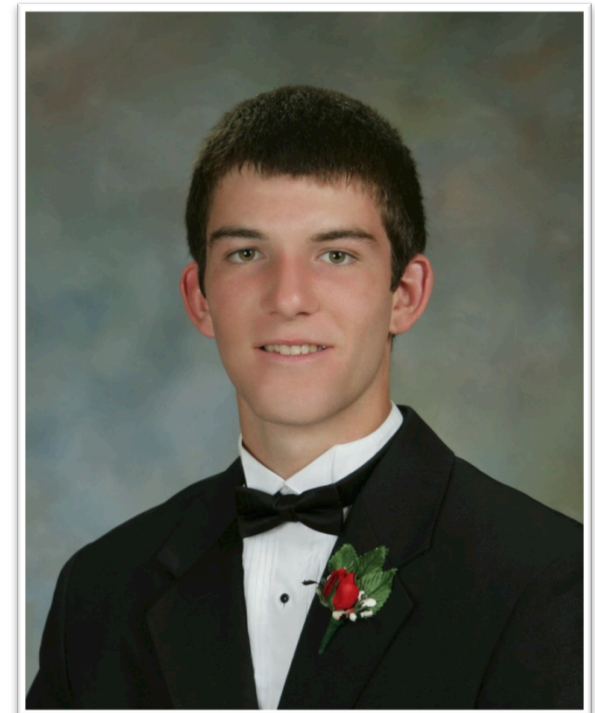


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## Andrew L. Hicks Jr. Foundation History

- Andrew L. Hicks, Jr.
  - Respect for others, and also demanded respect
  - Ice hockey and soccer player at Henderson High School in West Chester, PA
  - Loved his hometown and appreciated his friends and life
  - Wanted one of his high school friends to come to know Jesus before graduating as a result of his friendship with him
  - Served several summers in Chester, PA
  - Heart for social justice and love for the youth of the City of Chester
  - Died on July, 19, 2010 while hiking with family on vacation in California



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## Andrew L. Hicks Jr. Foundation History

- Andrew L. Hicks, Jr. Foundation established, August 2010
- The Andrew L. Hicks, Jr. Foundation aims to honor Andrew's life and demonstrate the love of Christ to the youth of Chester by identifying and fulfilling service opportunities with the involvement of Henderson High School students and the West Chester community.
- Open Events for K-5<sup>th</sup> graders
- Warrior Guides mentoring program for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- Camp Paradise for 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders





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# CCWA-Paradise Farm Camps

- ❖ Connecting Children to the Outdoors since 1875
- ❖ Proud stewards of 600 acres of scenic natural resources
- ❖ Serves thousands of children annually through it's many programs
  - ❖ Residential Camp
  - ❖ Day Camp
  - ❖ Environmental Education
  - ❖ Partnership Projects





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## RISE Mission Statement

- **RISE** is a teen leadership program serving 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in the City of Chester. RISE develops leadership through fostering personal **Responsibility** and **Integrity**, providing opportunities for **Service**, and instilling an expectation of **Excellence** in its participants, of themselves and of their community. The mission is accomplished through weekly meetings, regular cultural experiences & outings, youth summits, and a week-long residential camp experience.

A background image of a sunset with a bright sun low on the horizon, casting a golden glow over a layer of clouds. The sun is partially obscured by the clouds, creating a lens flare effect. The clouds are illuminated from below, showing various shades of orange, yellow, and brown. The overall scene is peaceful and inspiring.

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## RISE Vision Statement

- **RISE** expects its participants to become high-achieving individuals, positive influencers in their peer groups, and righteous leaders in their schools and neighborhoods as they model personal responsibility, integrity & excellence, and also demonstrate leadership through acts of service in their community.

A background image of a sunset over a mountain range. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm orange glow across the sky and reflecting on the clouds. The mountains are silhouetted against the bright light.

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# Teen Leadership Development

- RISE is designed to build vital skills that will help the participants RISE to their potential and understand their purpose in life.
- RISE will be a year-round program with workshops, weekly meetings, service projects and a week-long residential camp experience.
- RISE is designed to be both developmentally and culturally appropriate.
- RISE is designed with the psychological concepts of self-efficacy and positivity in mind.



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# What do we expect of YOU

- Responsibility
  - Commit to attend at least two monthly meetings.
  - Commit to attend all mandatory RISE events such as summits, group service projects, and camp.
  - Be active and engaged participants.
  - Utilize the tools that are presented.
  - Keep and maintain your RISE journal.

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# What do we expect of YOU

## ■ Integrity

- Represent RISE at all times and in all places.
- Remember who you are and what you stand for.
- Follow RISE Honor Code:
  - Maintain a healthy lifestyle.
  - Speak life.
  - Treat others fairly.
- Be open and honest about disciplinary issues at school or with the law.



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# What do we expect of YOU

## ■ Service

- Be open and inclusive at RISE events and in the community.
- Complete 40 hours of service per year.
- As a group, plan a June Andrew L. Hicks, Jr. Foundation event.
- Invite one friend to one meeting or service project per year.



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# What do we expect of YOU

## ■ Excellence

- Set and maintain high standards for yourself, your behavior and your community.
- Maintain respect for yourself and others.
- Set and achieve personal, academic, and service goals.
- Discover your purpose personally and within your community.
- Participate in quarterly reviews.





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## What YOU can expect from us

### ▣ **Participants' Bill of Rights. RISE commits to:**

1. provide a consistent, stable and professional leadership team.
2. provide a physically and emotionally safe place to participate.
3. creating a culture of positivity, encouragement, and inclusion.
4. creating a judgment-free place to meet and serve.
5. protect confidentiality; what is shared at RISE, remains with the RISE team, within the constraints of the participant's safety and welfare.
6. serving the City of Chester as long as the program remains effective.
7. maintaining high standards for its participants and providing on-going challenges for growth and development.
8. provide consistent, honest, and fair feedback and to hold the participants accountable for their actions.
9. develop milestones, and celebrate individual and group achievements.
10. open communication with participants and their families, and welcomes their communication, ideas and input in return.



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## RISE – Summit, February 1, 2014

- One day workshop with:
  - Inspirational speaker
  - Breakout sessions on Responsibility, Integrity, and Service
  - Roundtable discussion on Excellence
  - Dinner and social
- Opportunity to speak with key presenters as they address your questions and help you with the issues you face every day.
- Interactive program: tell us what you need, and help mold the content.

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## RISE Camp, July 20-25, 2014

- Culminating experience of the RISE year.
- One week overnight camp in West Chester, PA.
- Mentally and physically challenging leadership experience, with opportunities for great reward and personal growth.
- Opportunity to connect with the outdoors and develop potential through:
  - fun and engaging sports & games,
  - teambuilding and adventure activities,
  - hands-on intensive leadership workshops and training,
  - service project,
  - off-site trip.

# RISE Calendar

## Rise Calendar of Upcoming Events

### **February – RISE Summit**

Saturday, February 1  
1:00pm – 9:00pm  
Chester Student Center, Chester PA  
Inspirational speaker, three breakout sessions,  
group roundtable, Dinner, & social

### **March – Service Project**

Saturday, March 22  
10:00am – 12:00 pm  
Chester Waterfront, Chester PA

### **April – Spring Social**

Saturday or Evening in April – Date TBD  
Chester PA  
Ice Breakers and Introduction of Group Project

### **May – RISE Spring Retreat**

Friday, May 2 – Sunday, May 4  
Paradise Farm Camps, West Chester, PA

### **June – First Quarterly Review**

June – Date TBD  
Chester, PA  
Done Individually with RISE Coordinator

### **July – RISE Camp**

Sunday, July 20 – Friday, July 25  
Paradise Farm Camps, West Chester, PA

### **August – Back-to-School Preparation and Service Project**

Date TBD  
Chester, PA  
Roundtable to discuss the 2014/2015 school year  
Service Project – School Supplies Distribution

### **September – RISE meetings begin**

September, 2014  
Chester, PA  
Weekly Meetings





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## Fees

- RISE Summit - \$10
  - Includes all activities, speakers, dinner, and social
- Rise May Retreat - \$30
  - Includes all activities & lessons, 5 meals, and overnight accommodations
- Rise Camp - \$100
  - Includes 6 days & 5 nights, all meals, all activities, & transportation to and from Chester
- Credits –
  - Receive a \$10 credit for every event you attend including tonight. Six events equals \$60 in credits that will be applied to the \$140 total cost, bringing the total for the six events to \$80.
- No participant will ever be excluded because of family finances.

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We Need your input – What Matters to You?

