

## General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts

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This three-day leadership conference is held at Lasell College in Newton, MA. One sophomore from every Massachusetts-accredited public, private, charter, and vocational school is invited to participate in an exciting, hands-on learning experience. Student delegates are nominated and chosen by their school principals, guidance counselors, teachers, and advisors, based on their demonstrated and potential leadership ability. Since its inception in 1974, MYL Foundation's annual programs have reached more than 5,000 students.

The MassSTAR Citizenship Conference presents three days of intensive programming to challenge the student delegates, broaden their perspectives, and bring out their inner leaders. Through a series of panel speakers, group learning activities, and intensive small group discussions, they take these young people and demonstrate to them that they can be proactive leaders in their own communities. These students then take these skills and bring them back to their home school environments.

The STAR in MassSTAR refers to STudents Accepting Responsibility and the organization follows the five pillars of the organization, the Five-Points of the Star: Respect, Responsibility, Collaboration, Initiative, and Intentionality.

Each year, MassSTAR partners with the members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts, one of the platinum sponsors, for a community service event during the MassSTAR Citizenship Conference. Volunteering and giving back to the community is one of the major tenets of the Massachusetts Youth Leadership Foundation, so it's important to them to build service into the weekend experience.



Please consider supporting the MYL Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, that provides outstanding high school students with the skills, opportunities, and inspiration to affect positive change in their communities. One full student scholarship is \$300 but any amount donated is appreciated! Look for the line on the GFWC of MA Contribution Form.

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