

Student Leadership Services, Inc.

(SLS) is a non-profit corporation founded in Michigan in 1982 to provide youth-led health and safety programs based on youth development, drug prevention principles, and youth leadership practices in an integrated and comprehensive approach. The SLS guiding principle is that youth have a great capacity for influencing their peers in positive ways. Youth education, peer support, fun, leadership, safety skills and life skills are the focus of SLS Chapter activities.

“SLS is a safe haven for students who want to make a change. In SLS my voice matters. SLS is a place where you can share your feelings or concerns, and someone listens... I understand the problems my friends face and I can do something about it. I can make a change.”
Matt Stocker, SAB 2012-2014



The SLS 2017-2018 National Student Advisory Board (SAB)

Maddy Back, Freeland High School, Junior
Benjamin Goss, Waterford Mott High School, Senior
Danna Groke-Martini, Garber High School, Senior
Payton Wolbert, Garber High School, Senior

SLS Leadership Trainings (Samples)

Accepting & Giving Feedback
Active Listening and Communication
Adolescent Development
Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Education
Assertiveness
Asset Building
Asset Based Community Projects
Community Awareness
Conflict Resolution
Decision Making
Delegating
Distracted Driving Prevention
Diversity
Emerging Leadership

Empowerment vs. Power
Energizing Your Group
Fundraising & Grant Writing
Healthy Choices
Helping a Hurting Friend
How to be a Great Advisor
How to Run Meetings
Implementing Service-Based Learning
Leadership Styles
Listening and Communication
Marijuana, Inhalants, Prescription Drugs
Marketing Skills
Media Skills

Mentoring
Outcome-based Prevention
Parent Workshops
Peer Mediation
Peer Resistance Skills
Peer to Peer Safe Driving Education
Presentation Skills
Positive Role Modeling
Public Relations Skills
Safety Awareness
STAND To Be Active
Team Building
Teen Voice
Violence Prevention/Bullying



Program Overview

**2017 Students Leading Students
received NREPP Certification**



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Innovative. Inclusive. Validated.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP SERVICES, INC. (SLS) (est. 1982)

- Non-profit serving Michigan youth
- Student-led health & safety plans
- Grants to SLS member chapters
- Evidence-based & proven effective
- Youth leadership development
- Newsletter, handbooks,
- Conferences, trainings, events

- *1997 – Partner in Prevention Award*
- *2011-2012 - SAMHSA Service to Science Award*
- *2013-2014 - SAMHSA Service to Science Award - Building Evaluation Capacity for Evidence-Based Programs*
- *2014- NASADAD Award*
- *2017-NREPP Certification*



85,000 Michigan youth impacted annually.

86% of youth build new skills in SLS programs.

STUDENTS TAKING A NEW DIRECTION (STAND)

Grades 6-8

- Leadership skill development
- Community service
- Parent education/co-advisors
- Drug-free social activities
- Personal safety awareness

- *1993 – Exemplary Program, MI Office of Drug Control Policy*
- *1999 - National Safety Council Award*
- *2005 - HIGH/SCOPE Educational Research Foundation “Best Youth Program in State”*

94% can “say no and still keep my friends.”

STUDENTS LEADING STUDENTS

Grades 9-12

- Safe driving behaviors
- Alcohol and other drug prevention
- Bullying & suicide prevention
- Leadership training
- Peer Resistance Skills
- Community service

- *1998 – National Safety Council 3rd Place Award of Commendation, Community Safety*
- *1998 – National Safety Council Youth Award*
- *2005 - HIGH/SCOPE Educational Research Foundation “Best in State”*
- *2014- NASADAD Award*
- *2017-NREPP Certification*



SLS provided more than 100 consulting visits annually.

94% of SLS youth report ability to resist peer pressure.

96% report SLS as a positive influence in their lives & provides opportunities to help others.

STUDENT ADVISORY BOARD (SAB)

Grades 9-12 (*est. 1986*)

- Drug-free SLS spokespersons
- Trained Facilitators
- Develop peer strategies
- National and state opportunities
- Media contacts

- *1996 – National Safety Council Gold Honor*
- *1996 – Michigan Prevention Org of the Year*
- *2000 – National Safety Council Award*
- *2002 & 2003 National Conference Committees & Presenters*
- *2013 SLS App launched*

Train 300 -1,000 youth annually in leadership and positive peer influence.

Hosted 55 state conferences & 134 state events since 1986.

ALUMNI VOLUNTEERS

- SLS Board of Directors
- SLS young professionals
- Speakers & trainers
- Social media consultants
- Conferences & events staff
- Donors
- Student of the Year Scholarship

- *1997 - National Safety Council Gold Honor*
- *2003, 2005, 2006 - Prudential Foundation Cares Volunteer Award*
- *1996-2013 SLS Lifetime Achievement*

Web developer & web sponsor (est.1994) is SLS alumna.

2000 alumni volunteer hours annually contributed to SLS.

Alumni are parents of SLS and STAND Chapter members.

CITIZENS INSURANCE GRANT PROGRAM

Michigan SLS Chapters only

- Financial support for SLS Chapters
- Mini-grants of \$250, \$500, and \$1000 to qualifying SLS groups
- For trainings, conferences, student developed programs, speakers, and community service projects
- Citizens Insurance Allmerica Financial Grant Program has awarded \$335,000. in grants to SLS high school chapters since 1999.

- *Annual “Outstanding Grant Project Award”*

30-50 Michigan chapters annually awarded grants.

100% of the grants support prevention in the local community.