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“Influencing Your World” is the theme of the High School Christian Leadership Institute June 24-27 at Baylor University. The four-day conference is open to high school sophomores and juniors from across the country.

The conference includes small-group discussions, team challenges, experiential exercises and individual coaching sessions. Throughout the weekend, participants are mentored by Baylor student leaders.

“Evaluations for the inaugural program were very positive,” said Scott Wade, director of student union. “The students not only mentioned the impact that the institute had on their lives, but also the warm, inviting Baylor community that many hoped they would become a part of in the years ahead.”

Applicants are selected by a committee of student life staff. The \$350 registration fee includes lodging, meals and conference materials. Applications and a \$50 registration deposit for the 2004 Christian Leadership Institute are due May 1. A limited number of scholarships are available to students with financial need.

“Our candidates are young people who have demonstrated leadership skills and abilities and are committed to using their God-given strengths to invest in and influence the arenas of leadership that they find themselves in,” said Wade. “We're not looking exclusively for the team captains or student government presidents. Above all else, we're looking for that initiative to serve and create positive change.”

Students are challenged to strive for and attain personal goals through several team-building exercises, including rock climbing at the McLane Student Life Center and participating in the Eastland Lakes ropes course.

The conference also will feature a keynote address and seminars by Dave Stone, associate pastor for Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Ky.

More information about the 2004 High School Christian Leadership Institute is available online at www.baylor.edu/christianleadership or by calling (254) 710-7611.

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