

The Deitch Leadership Institute
@ Boston Latin School
Fellowships

The Deitch Leadership Institute (DLI) will sponsor between five – seven Fellowships (internships) this summer. Limited to current Boston Latin School sophomores, juniors and seniors, the participating students will take part in summer Fellowships that are seven weeks long. They will receive a stipend of \$1,800 from the DLI for this full-time commitment.

The Fellowships have several key goals. One is to provide the students with exposure to a broad range of work environments and insights into diverse organizations. Other goals include exposing students as much as possible to different models of leadership and different modes of planning and problem solving.

The DLI Fellows will visit each of the host organizations once for an afternoon to learn about that site's mission, structure, and organizational goals. Each DLI Fellow will document and share his or her experiences as well, and the afternoon visits will be further supplemented through online discussions and readings sponsored by the DLI.

Students will be carefully selected through a rigorous application process that will include the submission of a resume, high school transcript, attendance records, application form, and essays, as well as a series of interviews. Offers will be made on Monday, March 3.

The DLI will identify mature, motivated self-starters who will not only learn from, but will also make a positive contribution to, their host sites. Accepted applicants will also participate in professional skills training before placement. Dates and times TBA.

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Deitch Leadership Institute Fellowships

NAME _____

GRADE _____ HOMEROOM _____ Phone _____
(cell or home)

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

(You will receive information and results through email. Please PRINT legibly and double-check the accuracy of your email address.)

Use **this page** as the **cover sheet** of your **application** and attach each of the following documents. Put a check mark in the box to indicate that each has been included in your submission.

- Essays
- Resume
- Attendance Records
- School Transcript

APPLICATION DEADLINE
Monday, February 10, 4:00pm

Please submit applications to Mr. Levesque by either hard copy (DLI Office 045, basement level, across from Library) OR scanned/emailed to jimlevesquebls@gmail.com.

Essays

(typed, double-spaced, 12 pt *Times New Roman* font, 3/4-1 page each, 2-3 pages total)

1. The concept of leadership means different things to different people in different contexts – sports, business, community efforts, school, etc. As an example, a keyword search for “leadership” in the *Books* section of Amazon.com brings up an astounding 110,459 results.
 - a. *What does leadership look like to you? What are the key components of effective leadership? (You are encouraged, but not required, to illustrate your answer by sharing a leadership experience you witnessed or participated in that was particularly effective or ineffective.)*

2. The organizations hosting DLI Fellows are very diverse. Read through the site descriptions listed below to better understand each organization. Learn more by visiting their websites. Pick at least one, but no more than three, that interest you. For each site you select:
 - a. *Describe what interests you about the site.*
 - b. *What you would hope to learn there.*
 - c. *What you feel you can contribute to the site if you are chosen as its Fellow.*

3. The DLI will attempt to place students according to their site preferences, but guarantees cannot be made. Organizational fit and potential for greatest learning opportunity will be highest priority.
 - a. *Regardless of your site placement, what do you hope to learn from this experience in general?*
 - b. *What leadership skills do you want to develop or strengthen in yourself?*

Prioritize your choice(s) in the following column of boxes. Write “1” in the box next to your top choice, “2” next to your second choice, and “3” next to your third choice, if you have one.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Commonwealth Financial Network |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The Skating Club of Boston |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Puppet Showplace Theater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Perkins School for the Blind |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | From the Top |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | (Additional host sites – <i>pending</i>) |

DLI Host Sites

Commonwealth Financial Network

29 Sawyer Road

Waltham, MA 02453-3483

<http://www.commonwealth.com/homecfn.asp>



(25 minutes by commuter rail from North Station)

Commonwealth Financial Network® is the largest, privately held independent broker/dealer in the nation . . . A broker/dealer is in charge of processing the investment business of the financial professionals who affiliate with it. These professionals (also called advisors) are independent business owners who provide financial guidance to people in their community. Because the securities industry is heavily regulated, financial advisors must register with a broker/dealer to ensure supervision and a clear chain of responsibility.

Our dual vision: the essence of Commonwealth is to be the best at everything we do and to provide a supportive environment where all affiliated individuals can thrive! The four tenets of our mission statement are indispensable service, profitability, individual development, and fun.

Commonwealth has won 18 awards for the exceptional quality of its work and as a “Best Place to Work.”

*Commonwealth Financial Network is the company that **Joe Deitch**, the BLS alumnus funding the Deitch Leadership Institute, founded and grew into the largest privately owned company of its type in the nation.*

The Skating Club of Boston

1240 Soldiers Field Road

Boston, MA 02135

<http://www.scboston.org/>



The Skating Club of Boston

A founding member of U.S. Figure Skating and the third oldest figure skating club in the country, The Skating Club of Boston is a national institution dedicated to the advancement and pursuit of excellence in all of the U.S. Figure Skating disciplines. Throughout its more than 100 year history, the Club has trained a multitude of champions and promoted young adults of character both on and off the ice. Club members include Marissa Castelli & Simon Shnapir, who just won the 2014 U.S. Figure Skating Pairs Champions! Castelli and Shnapir are headed to Sochi to represent the U.S. at the 2014 Winter Olympics in February.

The Skating Club of Boston is a community of families, athletes, and professionals united by a love of figure skating and a commitment to bringing excellence to every facet of the sport. With the completion of a new three-rink, state-of-the-art facility in the Allston/Brighton neighborhood of Boston, the Club will be poised to create an all-new legacy in skating for the next 100 years.

Puppet Showplace Theatre

32 Station St.

Brookline, MA 02445

<http://puppetshowplace.org>



*Small arts nonprofit,
performances and classes on puppetry*

The Puppet Showplace Theatre (PST) is a non-profit performing arts organization committed to excellence in puppetry for all audiences.

As the first puppetry center in New England, we strive to promote and present the magical world of puppet theatre to a broad community; to educate and enlighten audiences of all ages, abilities and backgrounds about this ancient, worldwide theatre; to share our passion for puppetry as a vital, living art.

A Fellowship at this site may involve working with children of elementary school ages; making puppets and creating puppet shows; helping decorate the theater's public spaces, possibly helping paint the store front window with puppet themes; possible retail experience in marketing professional puppet shows, ticket sales, store management, and social media marketing.

It is an opportunity to have a hands-on experience in a small, successful arts nonprofit that is in its 38th year of operation.

Perkins School for the Blind

175 North Beacon Street

Watertown, MA 02472

www.perkins.org



Perkins School for the Blind is located on a 38-acre campus on the Charles River in Watertown, Massachusetts, with partner programs in 65 countries. The school is committed to providing education and services that build productive, meaningful lives for children and adults around the world who are blind or deafblind, including those with additional disabilities.

The rich history of Perkins began with its founding over 180 years ago as the first school for the blind in the United States. Within a few short years, Perkins became known for its effective instructional techniques, including teaching Laura Bridgman, the first known deafblind person to be educated. Later, Anne Sullivan brought Helen Keller to Perkins. Keller spent her life breaking down barriers and perceptions about what people who are blind or deafblind can accomplish.

From the Top

295 Huntington Ave., Suite 201,

Boston, MA 02115

<http://www.fromthetop.org/>



Based in Boston, From the Top is an independent non-profit organization that celebrates the power of music in the hands of extraordinary young people, reaching more than one million people each year.

As the preeminent showcase for young musicians, From the Top shines a light on diverse young people ages 8 to 18 by sharing their stories and performances, providing scholarships, and engaging them as leaders in national broadcasts, live concerts and outreach events across the country.

Broadcast on 250 stations nationwide to an audience of more than 700,000 listeners, From the Top is one of the most popular classical music programs on radio. Each one hour episode presents five high-caliber performances along with interviews, sketches and games, revealing the heart and soul behind extraordinary young musicians. Now in its fourteenth year on air, From the Top is taped before live audiences in concert halls from Boston to Honolulu and is distributed by NPR.