

# BEST BUDDIES INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOLS CHAPTER PRESIDENT APPLICATION



All Peer Buddies interested in becoming the Chapter President must complete this Chapter President Application and submit it to the current Chapter President or Faculty Advisor. All applicants will be interviewed by the Best Buddies Program Manager. Once the Chapter President has been selected, the original application, including the Faculty Advisor's endorsement must be submitted to Best Buddies staff on or before **April 1<sup>st</sup>**. A copy of the application should be kept for the chapter's files. All Chapter Presidents are required to attend the Best Buddies International Leadership Conference on July 18-21, 2008. Please print legibly.

<b>School Name:</b> _____	
<b>Student Name:</b> _____	<b>Gender:</b> Male      Female
<b>Address:</b> _____ _____	<b>Phone Number:</b> (     )
<b>City:</b> _____ <b>State:</b> _____ <b>Zip:</b> _____	<b>Cell Phone Number:</b> (     )
	<b>Grade in 2007/2008:</b> _____
	<b>Date of Birth:</b> _____
Have you been involved with Best Buddies previously?      YES      NO If yes, please share what your involvement has been. _____	<b>Email Address:</b> _____
Please list all organizations in which you have been involved during high school and any leadership positions that you held. _____ _____ _____ _____	
If you are selected as the Chapter President, what other clubs or organizations will you be involved with at the same time as your tenure as president? (include any leadership positions) _____ _____ _____	
<b>Please answer the following questions in short essay form on the lines provided. If you need additional space, attach a separate sheet of paper to the application.</b>	
1. What makes you the best candidate for Best Buddies Chapter President? _____ _____ _____ _____	

2. What skills do you possess that will contribute to the chapter's success? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Will you be able to attend the 2008 Best Buddies International Leadership Conference on July 18-21, 2008? (circle one) **Yes or No**

4. Communication is vital to the success of the chapter. How will you organize the chapter to ensure outstanding communication between members, officers, faculty advisors, and Best Buddies staff?  
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5. Explain your current friendship with your Buddy. If you are new to the chapter, detail how you will make sure your friendship with your Buddy will be sincere.  
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**Chapter President Pledge** (to be completed by the applicant)

If I am selected to become the Chapter President of the Best Buddies chapter at \_\_\_\_\_ High School, I commit to executing the role and responsibilities of the position as set forth by Best Buddies International and as described in the Best Buddies High School Handbook. I also agree to adhere to the instructions of the chapter's advisors and the Best Buddies staff member. I have spoken to my parent(s)/guardian(s), and **I will be able to attend the 2008 Best Buddies International Leadership Conference on July 18-21, 2008.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Applicant** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**Endorsement of Applicant** (to be completed by the Faculty Advisor and Best Buddies staff member)

I endorse \_\_\_\_\_ to serve as the Chapter President of the Best Buddies High School chapter at \_\_\_\_\_ High School for the (please circle year) 2007/2008 or 2008/2009 academic school year.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Faculty Advisor or Special Education Advisor** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Best Buddies Program Manager** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**Preliminary 2008 Leadership Conference Registration Form for Potential Chapter President**

Best Buddies International Leadership Conference provides a vital learning environment that cultivates successful leadership. Chapters led by students who have attended the conference are more successful, have heightened intellectual disability awareness, and have higher quality buddy pairs. During the four day conference, Best Buddies provides leadership training, intellectual disability education, and tools to run a successful chapter along with opportunities to share ideas with peers from around the world.

By completing this page of the Chapter President Application, I recognize that my attendance at the Annual Best Buddies International Leadership Conference July 18-21, 2008 is **mandatory**, if I am selected to serve as Chapter President. By signing below I understand that, if selected, I will be required to attend this conference in its entirety.

Potential Chapter President Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_