



Bunny Besties Young Leaders

Mission:

Bunny Besties Young Leaders mission, is to embrace leadership opportunities for young people where they spread love and kindness in their communities, through volunteering.



Vision:

Bunny Besties Young Leaders vision is to help young people embrace philanthropy and take the skills they have learned forward as adults who know they can make a difference in their communities through service and leadership.



Milestones:



- Bunny Besties has been working to serve our community since 2012.
- Bunny Besties became an official 501c3 nonprofit in May 2017
- Bunny Besties Young Leaders became an official club at Minnetonka High School in 2018.
- The Club held its first event at MHS in June 2018 in the morning before finals so students could "Stress Less with Bunny Besties."

Membership:



- The original members totaled 6 and worked all through the pandemic.
- We have partnered many times with the MHS Wellness Club.
- We currently have 15 active members and are growing.
- Bunny Besties currently has 15 rabbits that help us do our work.

Training:



- Bunny Besties has a training program for its youth leaders.
- Training program is based on classroom training and mentorship.
- Young Leaders have the opportunity to train to become Bunny Besties Ambassadors.

Ambassador Rabbits:



- The nonprofit has 15 Bunny Besties Ambassador Rabbits.
- These rabbits train for a year to become Bunny Besties Rabbits.
- Our rabbits are trained in Animal Assisted Interactions (AAI).
- The Young Leaders are responsible for Rabbit Home Care.
- We rescue our rabbits and they stay for life in sanctuary with us.
- The welfare of the rabbits always comes first.

Responsibilities:

- The Young Leaders are responsible for rabbit welfare and care.
- The Young Leaders are responsible for communications with school.
- The Young Leaders are responsible for attending events.
- The Young Leaders are responsible for helping run our nonprofit store.





Core Learnings:

- Leadership
 - Organizational skills
 - Time Management skills
 - Team Work
 - Active Listening
 - Inclusion
- Animal Welfare and care
- Cleaning skills
- Service to Community
- Kindness and Compassion
- Active Listening for inclusion
- Job skills



Time Commitment:

- Young Leaders must look at this as a volunteer job.
- Minimum 10 hours monthly.
- Try to get in 2.5 hours a week to stay on track for 10 hour commitment.
- Should give as much to this group as would give a sport or any other commitment.

Presidential Volunteer Service Award (PVSA)



- Bunny Besties is a certifying organization for the PVSA.
- This prestigious award shows leadership skills achieved.
- Every Young Leader is required to work towards a PVSA.
- Ten hours a month of service time puts members on track for award.
 - Under 16 can get "Gold" award with 10 monthly hours.
 - Over 16 can get a "Bronze" award with 10 monthly hours.



Thanks for learning about us!