Elevate and Leadership Kentucky Scholarship Guidelines

Elevate Kentucky and Leadership Kentucky are the two premier leadership programs offered in Kentucky. Elevate is designed to offer young professionals in-depth "professional development while fostering a better understanding of challenges facing our Commonwealth" to prepare them to "be catalysts in their companies and communities in an effort to Elevate Kentucky."[1] Likewise, Leadership Kentucky— one of the nation's flagship leadership programs—"provides a thought-provoking experience focusing on the attributes of leadership and what it means to be a leader."[2]

These programs are important to the YLD and the development of Kentucky's future leaders, including bar leaders, so YLD wants to promote attorney participation. In that vein, the YLD offers a $1,000 grant for Elevate or Leadership Kentucky participation.

As of April 13, 2019, the programs' tuition is as follows:
- Elevate Kentucky: $1,900
- Leadership Kentucky: $3,500

In an attempt to create guidelines for offering the YLD's grant in an appropriate, yet equitable, manner, the Executive Committee has voted to adopt the following rules:

Guidelines:

- Priority for a grant will be given to members of the Young Lawyers Division who have demonstrated leadership ability. It is the YLD's position that involvement and initiative should be promoted and cultivated to benefit the Kentucky bar and the Commonwealth.
    - If there are multiple YLD members selected for participation in Elevate or Leadership Kentucky, the grant will be equally divided among them.
- The YLD's grant will be secondary to any amount provided by the grantee's employer.
    - Ex: If grantee's firm is willing to pay $1,500 of Elevate Kentucky's $1,900 tuition, the YLD grant will cover the remaining $400.

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[1] https://www.leadershipky.org/programs/elevate-kentucky-1/elevate-kentucky-1/
[2] https://www.leadershipky.org/programs/leadership-kentucky-3/