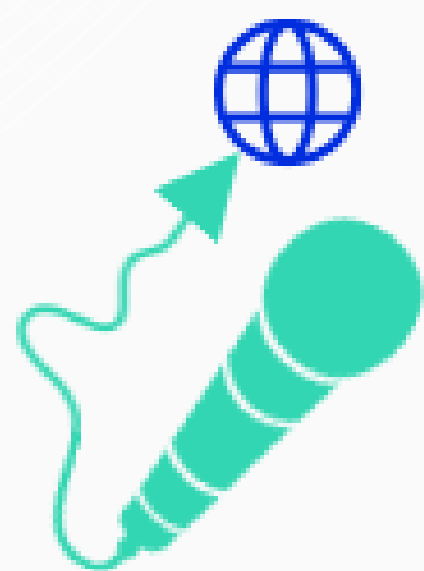




YouthPropel

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Ambassadors Programme

*Empowering the Next Generation
of Speakers and Leaders*

*School Partnership
Handbook 2026*



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About the Founder

Vihaan Shukla is a Year 12 IB student at Dubai International Academy, Emirates Hills and the Founder of YouthPropel, a student-led initiative dedicated to expanding access to educational, leadership, and career-development opportunities for young people.

Passionate about youth empowerment and student leadership, Vihaan has built and led initiatives focused on creating meaningful impact beyond the classroom. Through YouthPropel, he has engaged more than 500 students across the UAE and India through seminars, mentoring, and outreach programmes designed to help students become more informed, globally aware, and future-ready.



Leadership & Initiatives:

- **Founder, YouthPropel**

Student-led platform focused on opportunities, leadership development, and global awareness for students.

- **Youth Ambassador, World Literacy Foundation**

Selected as a Youth Ambassador to represent the UAE at the World Literacy Foundation (WLF). Partaking in the WLF Youth Ambassador Programme 2026 to raise awareness for pressing global issues such as lack of access to quality education and basic educational resources globally.

- **Co-Founder & Director-General, Voices of the Future MUN (VOFMUN)**

Founded and leads operations for a career-focused Model United Nations conference designed to connect diplomacy, public speaking, and real-world career pathways.

- **Deputy Secretary-General, DIAMUN 2027**

Part of the Secretariat leadership team for the Gulf region's largest Model United Nations conferences. Previously served as part of the Events team for DIAMUN 2026 where I played a central role in planning and delivering our flagship annual conference for 800+ participants from 20+ schools across the globe.

- **President, Student Council (Former)**

Led student voice, initiatives, and engagement within school as part of the school's leadership team. Planned several academic and extracurricular events & opportunities for students throughout the school year.

Academic & Competitive Achievements:

- 20+ MUN conferences participated in across regional and international platforms
- 15+ MUN distinctions including Best/Outstanding Delegate, and Best Research awards at prestigious international conferences (Yale MUN, Dhirubai Ambani Intl School MUN, Dubai Intl Academy MUN, etc)
- 10x Gold Medallist, Trophy Winner - World Scholar's Cup
- Gold Medallist - DASSA Table Tennis Tournament 2025 (Dubai Affiliated School Sports Association)
- 2-time Silver Medallist, 1-time Gold Medallist - Innoventures Debate Competition
- Finalist - Spelling Bee Arabia (Top 30 in the region)

Programme Overview

Schools nominate 1–3 students from Grades 10–12 to serve as YouthPropel Ambassadors.

Ambassadors will receive:

- Access to exclusive regular webinars where opportunities, global trends, and future career pathways are discussed.
- Insights into emerging developments in technology, business, economics, and global affairs are also shared.
- Meetings with leading industry experts across various fields (relevant to their career pathways and ambitions) to share key insights on careers and university admissions pathways

Ambassadors will **share insights from the webinars with all Grade 8-12 (Year 9-13) students in their own school** through presentations/assemblies/clubs/webinars (or other student-led forums) on a regular basis, enabling knowledge and opportunities to **reach a much wider student audience.**

The programme also incorporates a **structured leadership development pathway** for ambassadors to progress through with several **incentives and benefits for students and schools** alike.

Ambassador Development, Benefits, and Incentives

▪ **Level 1 – Junior Ambassador**

- ◇ Participating in webinars held by YouthPropel
- ◇ Leading and hosting sessions within their school on a monthly basis
- ◇ Minimum 3 sessions to be hosted monthly within their school to remain in the YouthPropel Ambassadors Programme

▪ **Level 2 – Senior Ambassador**

- ◇ Active participation in YouthPropel webinars, contributing novel ideas and perspectives
- ◇ Hosted 6+ sessions in their school (monthly)
- ◇ Receives digital badge and certificate from YouthPropel

Ambassador Development, Benefits, and Incentives

▪ **Level 3 – Elite Ambassador**

- ◇ Driven participation in YouthPropel webinars, actively contributing insights, suggestions, and perspectives to further improve discussions and content relevance.
- ◇ Hosts 9+ sessions in their school (monthly)
- ◇ Our Elite Ambassadors are also inducted into an elite group of ambassadors that are given access to regular meetings with top industry experts across various fields to share focused insights on university applications, career pathways, and emerging global trends.
- ◇ Elite Ambassadors will also have the unique opportunity to be mentored by industry leaders,
- ◇ Furthermore, Elite Ambassadors are also offered further opportunities to engage in deeper discussions, contribute ideas towards YouthPropel's development, and take on a more active leadership role within YouthPropel.

As they advance, students will also earn digital badges, certificates, and dedicated recognition for their contributions to YouthPropel and their community.

Benefits for Schools

Participation enables partner schools to:

- **Increase student awareness** of high-quality academic and extracurricular opportunities.
- **Develop** leadership, communication, and presentation skills among students.
- **Foster student initiative**, peer-to-peer learning, and community engagement.
- **Provides students opportunities** to build their network internationally with like-minded students.
- **Enhance students' understanding** of global trends and future career pathways.
- **Support the development** of internationally-minded and future-ready learners.

At the end of each academic year, participating schools will receive an impact summary highlighting student and ambassador engagement, and the programme's reach within their school community.

The **programme is entirely free of charge**. The **only requirement is the nomination of 1–3 motivated students** who are willing to actively engage with the programme and share learnings within their school community.

To support the programme's long-term development and quality, **YouthPropel is also establishing an Advisory Board** comprising **industry experts from various fields** and backgrounds.

How to Register

For Schools

1. Schools can register for the YouthPropel Ambassadors Programme and nominate 1-3 students from Grades 8-12 (or equivalent) using the School Signup Form.
2. Nominated students should then complete the Student Signup Form to finalise their selection for the programme, once schools have filled out the School Signup Form
3. Students will receive an email from YouthPropel upon completion of the nomination form with next steps regarding onboarding onto the programme

For Students

1. Students can register for the YouthPropel Ambassadors Programme by completing the Student Signup Form
2. To be eligible, students must be in Grades 8-12 (or equivalent).
3. Upon completion of the Student Signup Form, an email will be sent with next steps regarding onboarding onto the programme

Student Nomination Form (for schools)

Student Registration Form

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What is YouthPropel?

YouthPropel is a student-led initiative founded by Vihaan Shukla to expand access to educational opportunities, leadership development, and global awareness for students.

What is YouthPropel's vision?

To empower every student to realise their potential through access to opportunities, knowledge, and meaningful leadership experiences.

What is YouthPropel's mission?

To bridge the opportunity gap by connecting students with high-quality educational experiences while developing globally minded, future-ready leaders.

Is YouthPropel a registered organisation?

YouthPropel is an independent student-led initiative.

How can schools contact YouthPropel?

Please refer to the [Contact Us](#) section.

How long does the programme run?

The 2026 Ambassador Programme's launch date is 23rd August 2026, and the duration is 1 year (and then the programme renews). Nominations will remain open throughout the year and programme will grow/evolve as more Ambassadors and schools join.

When does registration open?

Registrations for schools and students are now open. Schools can nominate students using the [Student Nomination Form](#). Students can also register using the [Student Registration Form](#).

How are ambassadors selected?

Each school can nominate 1-3 students (from Grades 8-12) who demonstrate leadership potential, initiative, and a drive & willingness to contribute to their school community. Students can also register using the [Student Registration Form](#).

What is the time commitment required each month?

Ambassadors should aim to dedicate around 2-5 hours per month, including attending the Ambassador webinars and delivering sessions within their own schools, as well as other schools and institutes in their community.

How often are webinars held?

Webinars will be held regularly throughout the programme, starting monthly. The programme launch date for the 2026 Cohort is 23rd August 2026 and the first webinar would take place on that day.

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How long is each webinar?

Most webinars will be between 30-60 minutes.

When are webinars scheduled?

All webinars will be held after school hours or on weekends to minimise disruption to students' academic commitments.

Does the programme need a designated school coordinator?

This is a student led initiative and there is no bandwidth requirement from any teacher or member of faculty once the Student Ambassadors are nominated. It is expected that the Ambassadors show initiative and independence. Students may take help from the school and any faculty members in enabling them to host presentation sessions for their school's students through assemblies, clubs, or webinars.

What are the responsibilities of Student Ambassadors?

Ambassadors attend webinars, actively engage with programme activities, and share key insights and opportunities with students in their school community.

How is Ambassadors' participation monitored?

Webinar attendance will be monitored, as well as reporting and feedback on Ambassadors' engagement and delivery of independently-organised sessions that would be shared with the school on a regular basis.

What are the attendance requirements?

Ambassadors are expected to attend all scheduled webinars unless prevented by exceptional circumstances. In the case that an Ambassador cannot attend a session, the webinar recording will be shared.

What happens if an Ambassador doesn't meet the programme requirements?

Students who do not meet the minimum participation requirements may remain at their current level or, where appropriate, be removed from the programme.

How are certificates awarded?

Certificates and badges are awarded upon successful completion of each ambassador level and fulfilment of the programme requirements. All certificates and badges are shared digitally.

Will schools receive recognition?

Yes. Participating schools receive a School Participation Certificate, as well as participation & partnership of all schools being documented on [our website](#).

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Are certificates externally accredited?

Certificates are issued by YouthPropel in recognition of participation, leadership, and contribution to the programme. This is a student-led initiative and the value of the programme is beyond just the certification - it fosters student initiative, provides networking opportunities with like-minded students and industry leaders, and develops future-ready learners.

Which organisations support YouthPropel?

YouthPropel is an independent student-led initiative, and our [Advisory Board](#) oversees all programmes and initiatives. The Advisory Board consists of top industry experts from various fields and backgrounds. Further partnerships with schools and other organisations will be announced and featured on our website.

Furthermore, YouthPropel is supported by Dubai International Academy, one of the leading Outstanding-rated (KHDA) schools in the UAE.

Which platform is used for webinars?

All webinars will be conducted online via Google Meet.

Will webinar recordings be made available?

Yes. Recordings and supporting presentation materials will be shared with all Ambassadors to enable them to prepare themselves for their respective presentation sessions within their school.

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