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Start as a Student, Finish as a CEO

LUBBOCK, Texas – Middle and high school students can now apply to attend Lubbock's first-ever Young Entrepreneur Academy (YEA!) class.

YEA! is a weekly program throughout the academic year that guides students through launching and running their own businesses or social movements.

YEA! is open to all students in grades 6-12. While in the Academy, students will receive all the necessary tools to launch real, legal businesses. This includes access to experts such as attorneys, accountants, business mentors and graphic designers. Students will also have an audience with investors for start-up funding, and the opportunity to compete for college scholarships.

Applications can be submitted online by July 1 at:
<https://yeausa.wufoo.com/forms/yea-student-application/>. The selection process is competitive.

Contact Amy Marquez at amy.marquez@lubbockbiz.org or (806) 761-7002 for more information about enrolling in YEA!

The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce represents over 2,000 businesses and over 79,000 employees on the South Plains which accounts for over \$2 billion in annual household earnings in Lubbock and West Texas. The Chamber has twice earned the distinguished 5-Star Accreditation from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and is a two-time Chamber of the Year recognized by the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives.

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