**Dwight Global Leaders Academy Calls for Applications**

**Award-winning Social Entrepreneurship Program Asks Young People:**

***“Do You Want to Change the World?”***

 ***“Do You Want to Stand Out As a Leader Among College Applicants?”***

**Deadline for Scholarships Is April 30, 2013**

**Vancouver Island, BC, Canada ― April 8, 2013:** The Dwight Global Leaders Academy (DGLA), a two-week leadership training program for youth based at Dwight School Canada on Shawnigan Lake, is accepting applications for its upcoming summer sessions: June 30–July 13; and July 29–August 11. Students seeking a scholarship must submit applications by April 30 to be eligible for financial aid.

DGLA equips young people with a wide range of leadership, entrepreneurial, and practical skills they need to start their own service projects designed to make a difference in their local communities and around the world. Since 2009, Dwight Global Leaders have launched hundreds of projects in over 40 countries. They have raised millions of dollars to help people in immediate need ― and to create initiatives to improve our environment and the world for a better tomorrow.

“The unique DGLA curriculum was designed to capture the unlimited enthusiasm and potential of youth; and to equip young men and women with the knowledge and tools needed to plan, execute, and promote service projects of their own making from the ground up,” said Graham Brown, PhD, DGLA Director. “In the last year alone, 80% of DGLA participants started and completed service projects that positively impacted their communities and inspired others to take action.”

DGLA graduates ― including two who have received U.S. Congressional Medals for Service ― stand out from their peers as college applicants, thanks to their leadership training and track record of experience as social entrepreneurs.

“I’ve lived the mantra of Dwight Global Leadership Academy ― inspire, educate, take action. I’ve followed my own passion for dance and created Dance for Orphans, which has raised thousands of dollars to help dozens of orphans in Indonesia,” said Daniel Maren, a Stanford University freshman.

DGLA participants have the additional opportunity to take a post-academy college prep program that focuses on SAT and college applications. For more information, or to apply, visit [www.dwightleadershipacademy.org](http://www.dwightleadershipacademy.org/).

**More About the Dwight Global Leaders Academy**

DGLA grew out of the Institute for Civic Leadership (ICL), a non-profit organization created to educate and inspire youth to take action. In 2010, the ICL partnered with the 140-year-old Dwight School in New York and the Alcoa Foundation to build an innovative learning platform, which has become DGLA’s dynamic curriculum.