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JSU TRAINING PEER EDUCATORS

Travel opportunities, youth leadership training and community service are all part of becoming a peer educator with the Metro Jackson Community Prevention Coalition.

In the continued fight against teen drug use and abuse, Jackson State University's MJCPC will begin a new phase of its Peer Educator Training Program with a five-day training session beginning July 30.

The free leadership training will take place at Paul B. Johnson State Park in Hattiesburg. The training is open to 35 teens ages 13-17 who are interested in being youth leaders and are willing to speak out against substance use and abuse to help create drug-free communities in metro Jackson.

Participants will begin planning a youth activism campaign around topics that speak to other teens.

In addition, the program will help students improve self-esteem, develop decision-making and problem-solving skills, communicate effectively, avoid misunderstandings, manage anxiety, make new friends and resist pressure to use drugs.

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