Junior Advocate Program Requirements

Once accepted to the THLN Junior Advocates Program, the student will participate in a 30 minute orientation with THLN. The student is then required to complete the following:

1. Set up a meeting with a Texas state representative or a Texas state senator to discuss a particular animal welfare issue. The student is required to set up the meeting and conduct the meeting. These topics can include THLN bills and/or any animal welfare issues surrounding his or her community.

2. Write a letter to a federal senator or congressman on a Texas based animal welfare issue that may be fixed by federal legislation. The letter needs to be well researched and it must demonstrate strong advocacy skills.

3. Attend one THLN event in your area and address the audience with a 3-5 minute presentation on why animal welfare issues are important to you. If there are no THLN events in your area, the presentation can be recorded.

4. Volunteer at least fifteen (15) hours of volunteer service to a local animal welfare organization (gov’t shelter, non-profit shelter)

The student will write a three-page paper at the end of the program to describe what he or she has learned. The student has fifteen months to complete these required components of the program.