

The Leadership Challenge

The Leadership Challenge is a program intended to reward Recognized Student Organizations (RSOs) for their dedication and participation on campus. This program provides opportunities for organizations to invest in their leadership and organizational development through a series of tasks involving workshops, leadership training, campus events, and more. RSOs will complete different activities to advance in the star system.

The Leadership Challenge was created to ensure that student organization leaders are properly equipped to lead their organizations successfully and to utilize all available resources on campus. The goals of this program are to:

- Recognize and award student organizations for their involvement and outreach on campus,
- Help student organizations achieve their goals,
- Develop leadership skills and knowledge of students in the RSO community,
- Ensure that RSOs are aware of university policies, procedures, and resources,
- Promote responsibility, respect, and positive experiences through student organizations.

This program provides organization leaders with information on the policies and requirements associated with RSOs on campus, an in-depth overview of 'Cuse Activities, and effective strategies to succeed as a student leader at Syracuse University.

The Leadership Challenge will be open from August 23, 2024, to April 29, 2025, for the 2024-2025 academic year. Completing the requirements listed on the following pages will determine the organizations' star status and funding tier for years to come.

Executive Board members have been designated to participate in the Leadership Challenge through Pathways via 'Cuse Activities. Only Executive Board members are eligible to earn credit toward their RSO for attending various workshops and events. While other RSO members are encouraged to attend, they cannot earn credit for the Leadership Challenge.

RSOs must attain the star status levels listed below to maintain their funding tier from year to year. RSOs that do not achieve the specified star status will be demoted to a lower funding tier level in the following year.

Star Status Standards

Please review the standards and incentives presented below for each status level.

Bronze (100 Points):

Organizations must complete 100 registration points to receive Bronze status.

** All Tier 1 organizations must reach Bronze status to maintain their Tier 1 funding status and remain recognized by the Student Engagement office.

BRONZE INCENTIVES:

- Use of university meeting rooms and facilities (certain areas and types of services/events may have rental fees)
- Access to 'Cuse Activities portal to manage organization, publicize events/meetings, and recruit new members
- Access to training and leadership development by the Student Engagement office
- Able to attend and participate in Involvement Fair (Fall and Spring)
- Free use of club locker space (based on availability)
- Eligible to fundraise on campus through approved programs and activities
- Support from RSO Consultants and other Student Engagement staff for event planning, budget requests, organization management, and more.

Silver (150 Points):

Organizations must complete 100 registration points and at least 50 additional points (1250 total) to receive Silver status.

**All Tier 2 organizations must reach Silver status to maintain their Tier 2 funding status.

SILVER INCENTIVES: BRONZE INCENTIVES PLUS,

- Recognition at the annual 44 Stars of Excellence Leadership Awards Gala
 - \$25 towards tabling or general body supplies
- **Limited to the first 10 organizations that complete registration.

Gold (200 Points):

Organizations must complete 100 registration points and at least 100 additional points (200 total) to receive Gold status.

**All Tier 3 organizations must reach Gold status to maintain their Tier 3 funding status.

Gold Incentives: Bronze and silver incentives plus,

- Featured on OSE social media.
 - Priority registration for Fall and Spring Involvement Fairs
 - 50 organization stickers for tabling/giveaways
- **Limited to the first 5 organizations that complete registration.

Platinum (250 Points):

Organizations must complete 100 registration points and at least 150 additional points (250 total) to receive Platinum status.

****All Tier 4 and Operating organizations must reach Platinum status to maintain their Tier 4 funding status.**

TIER 3 INCENTIVES: TIER 1, 2, & 3 INCENTIVES PLUS,

- \$100 towards a club banner, tablecloth, stickers, or other promotional materials
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Comprehensive List of Incentives

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 - **Limited to the first 5 organizations

Platinum Status

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- Access to training and leadership development by the Student Engagement office
- Able to attend and participate in Involvement Fair (Fall and Spring)
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