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**SPRINGWOOD STUDENT TO MEET WITH  
NATIONAL LEADERS IN WASHINGTON, D.C.**

This spring, Rhys Bendell, son of Dr. and Mrs. James Bendell of LaGrange, will take part in a unique leadership development conference in Washington, DC.

During the six-day program, the **National Young Leaders Conference** (NYLC) will provide students with the opportunity to interact with a variety of personnel who operate within the three branches of government, the news media and the international community.

"NYLC prepares students to serve our country well, whether that means as elected officials in our nation's capital, as active members within communities around the world or as intelligent, creative and responsible members of the work force," said Marguerite Regan, Dean of Academic Affairs for the Congressional Youth Leadership Council (CYLC), the organization that sponsors the Conference. "Through a series of simulations, we place these young leaders in the proverbial driver's seat on a variety of issues facing our country today. Their determination, as shown within the Conference, is a good indicator of the types of leaders we will see in the future."

CYLC is a nonpartisan, independent, educational organization. Since 1985, the Council has inspired more than 200,000 young people to achieve their full leadership potential. Members of the U.S. Congress have joined our commitment by serving on the CYLC Honorary Congressional Board of Advisors. In addition, more than 50 embassies participate in the Council's Honorary Board of Embassies.

Rhys Bendell is a 10<sup>th</sup> grade student at Springwood School in Lanett, AL. Springwood School is an independent, fully-accredited school for grades K4 through 12, providing a college preparatory education in a Christian environment. For more information visit us in Lanett, Alabama or online at [www.springwoodschool.com](http://www.springwoodschool.com).