WHO CAN ENTER?
Applicants must be...

- A first-, second- or third-year full-time culinary student enrolled in either a degree-granting, diploma or certificate postsecondary culinary program, or an American Culinary Federation Education Foundation Apprenticeship Program.
- An ACF member in good standing since January 31, 2013.
- At least 18 years old.
- Organized, punctual and personable.
- A leader who can communicate well with diverse groups and maintain a professional image.

APPLY TODAY!
To enter, submit the following information:

- A completed and signed application.
- A 500-word essay in English, no smaller than 12 point font, describing how this mentoring opportunity will help you achieve your goal of being a culinary leader. The essay must be your original work and should not reference Michael Ty, CEC®, AAC® more than twice.
- A high-resolution color photo in appropriate chef apparel.
- A signed letter of endorsement from your department chair and/or school/apprenticeship director on official letterhead.

DO YOU EVER WONDER what it takes to lead the largest organization of professional chefs in the U.S.? American Culinary Federation (ACF) students and apprentices are invited to enter the 2013 Lead Like “Mike” Contest for your chance at unparalleled access to culinary leaders and top-notch networking opportunities. One lucky student will be selected to attend the 2013 ACF National Convention in Las Vegas, July 21-25, 2013, to be mentored by ACF National President Michael Ty, CEC®, AAC®.

Five finalists will be selected for phone interviews. The winner will be announced by June 7, 2013, and will receive 1) airfare to Las Vegas 2) accommodations at The Cosmopolitan Las Vegas and 3) full convention registration.

CONTEST GUIDELINES
- Guests may not accompany the winner.
- All submissions become property of ACF.
- ACF reserves the right to contact faculty or administrators at any entrant’s school or apprenticeship program to confirm enrollment and verify endorsement.
- Entrants agree, by signing a release waiver, to allow ACF to use their photos, names and essays in promotional materials. ACF will give appropriate attribution, but compensation will not be provided.
- Finalists should be prepared for a comprehensive, professional phone interview with Michael Ty CEC®, AAC®, and an ACF staff person.
- Failure to follow contest guidelines and essay requirements will lead to disqualification.
- In the event that there are no qualified candidates, ACF reserves the right to cancel the contest.

SEND APPLICATION PACKAGES TO:
American Culinary Federation, Attn: Patricia Carroll, Lead Like “Mike” Contest
180 Center Place Way | St. Augustine, FL 32095

POSTMARKED DEADLINE:
MAY 1, 2013
PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last name: __________________________ First name: __________________________
ACF member number: __________________________ Date joined ACF: __________________________
Birthdate: __________________________ SSN: __________________________
Home address: __________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: ________ Zip: __________________________
Home phone: __________________________ Work phone: __________________________
Cell phone: __________________________ Email: __________________________

CURRENT CULINARY EDUCATION

Educational institution name: __________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: ________ Zip: __________________________
Date of enrollment: __________________________ Anticipated graduation date: __________________________
Degree pursued: __________________________
Department chair’s name: __________________________ Phone number: __________________________
Title: __________________________

ACFEF APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

ACFEF Apprenticeship Program name: __________________________
ACFEF Apprenticeship Program type: __________________________
Address: __________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: ________ Zip: __________________________
Date of enrollment: __________________________ Anticipated completion date: __________________________
Current status/hours completed: __________________________
Apprenticeship director’s name: __________________________ Phone number: __________________________
Title: __________________________

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Name of Employer: __________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________
City: __________________________________________
State: ________ Zip: __________________________
Phone number: __________________________
Job title: __________________________
Immediate supervisor’s name: __________________________ Phone number: __________________________
Title: __________________________

I hereby certify that the information I have submitted is correct. Furthermore, I grant permission to the American Culinary Federation and its subsidiaries to use the information included in my application and essay in print and electronically for promotional purposes. I understand that I will not be compensated and that I may not be notified of each use.

__________________________________________
Applicant Signature

__________________________________________
Date