

Leadership Lorain County Class of 2009 Application

**Leadership...Learning...Civic Engagement...Service...Commitment...Passion...
Responsibility...Inspiration...Strengthening Lorain County**

The Mission of Leadership Lorain County is to foster lifelong leaders who serve as catalysts for positive change.

We accomplish this mission by:

- Identifying and bringing together a diverse cross section of emerging and existing leaders who are committed to community service, trusteeship and improving the quality of life in Lorain County.
- Offering class participants expanded knowledge and awareness of existing and emerging community issues, needs, challenges and resources through direct contact with a spectrum of people places and organizations.
- Offering class participants opportunities to explore and strengthen personal leadership competencies through leadership skills development and class community service projects.
- Cultivating an ongoing "network of responsibility" - a bank of Leadership Lorain County graduates who sustain their passion for action by expanding their leadership network, continuing their leadership education, and furthering their contributions to the community through active involvement in civic affairs.

Application Instructions...

Please fill out the application completely and legibly. Please enclose the following:

- Completed application form. Incomplete applications will not be processed.
- Resume'
- Self assessment responses
- Essay responses
- Medical/Parental release (for High School students)
- Two professional headshot pictures. Please send via e-mail if possible.
- A non-refundable \$50.00 (\$20.00 for students) application fee

Criteria for Selection...

Potential candidates should demonstrate:

- Commitment and motivation to serve our community.
- Potential to address major issues in our community through volunteer, appointed or elected leadership roles.
- Desire to enhance personal leadership skills.
- Company's support of time required to fully participate in the program.

Program Calendar and Commitment to Attendance...

To graduate from Leadership Lorain County, participants are expected to attend and actively participate in all sessions. Attendance at Orientation, Opening Retreat, and Graduation are required for program completion. A maximum of two absences at sessions other than those mentioned above is permitted. Participants who fail to fulfill the attendance obligations will be asked to withdraw from the program. All monthly sessions, except for the Opening Retreat, are one full day per month.

*Dates for the session are as follows:

- August 13, 2008 Orientation/Road Rally
- September 10,11,12, 2008 Opening Retreat
- October 1, 2008
- October 30, 2008 Regional Day
- December 3, 2008
- January 7, 2009
- February 4, 2009
- March 4, 2009
- April 1, 2009
- May 6, 2009
- May 20, 2009 Closing Retreat in am and Graduation in pm.

In addition to participation in the session days, participants are also required to assist in planning a session day and to participate in a group project to benefit the community. **Please note that these dates are subject to change***

Tuition...

The tuition per participant in the Leadership Lorain County program is \$2,300.00 and is due within 30 days after acceptance. 10 % of the tuition (\$230.00) is to be paid by the individual and the balance of \$2,070 by the sponsor. Payment plans are available. (Please note that the actual cost for a participant to go through the Program is \$4,950.00.) Subsidy is provided through alumni and community support.

Scholarships...

Limited Scholarships are available, but will be considered only after an applicant is selected. Assistance is based upon demonstrated need, with average assistance ranging between 50 – 75%.

For students, tuition, less 10% personal contribution, is provided through scholarships.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MAY 1, 2008

Please forward completed applications with application fee to:

Leadership Lorain County

201 Burns Rd., Suite A

Elyria, OH 44035

For More Information call 440-366-4700

NAME: _____

I. PERSONAL/PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION

<p><u>Business or School Data:</u></p> <p>Title: _____</p> <p>Company/School _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>City: _____, Ohio Zip: _____</p> <p>Phone: (____) _____ Ext: _____</p> <p>Fax: (____) _____</p> <p>Work E-mail address: _____</p> <p>STUDENTS: CURRENT GRADE: _____</p>	<p><u>Home Address:</u></p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>City: _____, Ohio Zip: _____</p> <p>Phone: (____) _____</p> <p>Cell Phone: (____) _____</p> <p>Home e-mail address: _____</p> <p>Indicate your preference for sending mail:</p> <p>___ Business Address ___ Home Address</p>
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Have you participated in another community leadership program? No Yes Program(s) _____

II. RESUME' - Include education, professional and community involvement.

III. SELF-ASSESSMENT - Please attach a separate sheet with answers.

- A. What particular strengths and experiences would you bring to the program?
- B. What are your long-term civic/volunteer objectives and how do they complement your career objectives?
- C. What leadership roles do you presently hold? What are your strengths and weaknesses in leadership situations?
- D. Ten years from now, what role do you envision playing in Lorain County and/or your organization?
- E. How do you feel you will benefit from participation in the Leadership Lorain County program?
- F. Is there any additional information that you believe would assist the Selection Committee in assessing your qualifications?

IV. ESSAY

One of the goals of Leadership Lorain County is to build a network of community leaders that will enhance their problem solving and leadership abilities by sharing perspectives and working together. With this in mind, briefly describe a volunteer activity experience in which you personally sought or were assigned a leadership role. What did you learn from the experience about community leadership and about yourself? Please attach a separate sheet of paper with your essay.

Leadership Lorain County Diversity Statement

Leadership Lorain County recognizes and embraces the rich diversity and unique experiences of all as it strives to foster harmony and to promote leadership throughout the Lorain County community. To help us achieve this goal, please complete the following. Please Note: Any answers, which you feel will not significantly add to the selection committee’s knowledge should be considered optional.

<p>Gender</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Male</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Female</p>	<p>Age</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Under 21</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Under 35</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 35 to 54</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 55 and over</p>
<p>Race</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> African-American</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Asian</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Native American</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p>	<p>Geographical Residence (City or Town)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Work</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Home</p> <p>Ethnic/Cultural Background _____</p> <p>Religion _____</p>
<p>Highest Level of Education Completed</p> <p>Current High School Student Grade _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> High School</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 year College</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 4 year College</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Post Graduate</p>	<p>Business Type</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not-for-profit</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> For-profit</p>
<p>Business Classification (Check all that apply)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Financial Services</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Arts/Entertainment/Recreation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Building Industry</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Computer/Information Technology</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Education</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Environmental</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Health Care</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Law/Government/Politics</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Library</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marketing/Public Relations/Communications</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Media</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Religion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Retail</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sales</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Social Services</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p>	<p>Individual Specialty Area (Check all that apply)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Accounting/Financial Services</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Administration/Management</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Architectural Service</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Arts/Entertainment/Recreation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Building Industry</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Computer/Information Technology</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Education</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Engineering</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Environmental</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising/Development</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Health Care</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Law/Government/Politics</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Library</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marketing/Public Relations/Communications</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Media</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Religion</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Retail</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sales</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Social Services</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p>

PROGRAM COMMITMENT AND AGREEMENT FORM

APPLICANT AGREEMENT

I have read and understand the purpose of the Leadership Lorain County program and the expectations of each class member. I agree to devote the time and energy necessary to make it a successful experience if I become a participant.

Signature of Applicant

Date Submitted

SPONSOR AGREEMENT

My organization/school wishes to nominate the candidate listed above for participation in the Leadership Lorain County program. I have read and understand the purpose of the Leadership Lorain County program and the expectations of each class member. I/we agree to support the above candidate's successful participation if selected. If our candidate is selected we agree to pay tuition within 30 days of acceptance. It is also our understanding that, if accepted, our candidate will attend all sessions including overnights. Note: Student fees are provided through LLC scholarships.

COMPANY OR SCHOOL _____

ADDRESS _____
(#Street/Suite) (City/State) (Zip)

AUTHORIZED BY (Please print and sign name) _____

POSITION _____

EMAIL _____

SUPERVISOR AGREEMENT

I have read and understand the purpose of the Leadership Lorain County program and expectations of each class member. I agree to support the above candidate's successful participation if selected. I will make accommodations during my employee's absence from work for the scheduled programs and session days.

Print Supervisor's Name

Date

Supervisor's Signature

Phone Number

PARENTAL AGREEMENT (STUDENTS ONLY)

I have read and understand the purpose of the Leadership Lorain County program and the expectations of each class member. I agree to will support my child's successful participation if selected.

PARENT AUTHORIZATION (Please print and sign me) _____

ADDRESS _____
(#Street/Suite) (City/State) (Zip)

**BEFORE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION, PLEASE BE SURE YOU HAVE ENCLOSED THE FOLLOWING:
APPLICANT CHECKLIST**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Completed Application Form |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resume' |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self-Assessment Responses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Essay Responses |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Professional Head Shot Pictures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adults - \$50.00 Non-Refundable Application Fee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Students - \$20.00 Non-Refundable Application Fee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Students – Medical/Parental Release |