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Leadership Oconee County  
P O Box 1  
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Leadership Oconee County

Developing civic and  
community leaders  
through innovative  
experiences and  
service

*Class of  
2018*

Partners:  
Oconee County Chamber of Commerce  
School District of Oconee County  
Civic and Business Leaders

## Purpose

Sponsored by the Oconee County Chamber of Commerce, the School District of Oconee County, and community leaders, Leadership Oconee County develops a corps of informed, committed and qualified individuals capable of providing dynamic community leadership for Oconee County. The program prepares participants to become leaders and volunteers contributing to the decision-making process of public and private institutions and agencies in the county. Through exploration of issues, problems and opportunities facing Oconee County today and in the future, class participants grow and learn.

## Program

Leadership Oconee County begins with a full day retreat focusing on multiple team building and problem solving exercises. Full-day monthly sessions follow August through May to explore issues and topics important to Oconee County. Sessions include speakers, panel and group discussions, tours, and a class project.

## Participants

Leadership Oconee County consists of outstanding individuals who are representative of various segments of the county at large. Previous and potential community service and involvement are considered in the selection process.

## Tuition

Tuition for the ten month Leadership Oconee County program is \$500 per person, which covers the costs for the retreat, meetings, materials, speakers, and meals. Tuition is typically covered by the participant's employer; however some individuals may choose to participate and pay their own tuition. **Several scholarships are made available to a select few based on need. Contact Ginger Hopkins for additional information at ghopkins@g.oconee.k12.sc.us.**

## Program Topics

- **August 4, 2017**  
Orientation
- **September 1, 2017**  
Community Involvement
- **October 6, 2017**  
Fine Arts & Culture Heritage
- **November 3, 2017**  
Justice System & Local Government
- **December 1, 2017**  
Education
- **January 5, 2018**  
Media
- **February 2, 2018**  
Health and Human Services
- **March 6, 2018**  
State Government Systems
- **April 6, 2018**  
Economic Development, Tourism & Recreation
- **May, 2018**  
Class Project Presentation and Graduation

## Objectives

1. Identify and select highly motivated community leaders to participate in the program.
2. Systematically challenge participants to become aware, examine and respond to the social and economic needs of the community.
3. Create a dialogue and sense of teamwork among participants.
4. Foster future leaders.
5. Identify opportunities for community involvement for placement of participants and alumni.

## Time Commitment

The opening retreat for this year's class is on August 4, 2017 and attendance for all participants if required. All participants are required to attend 80% of the classes and activities during the 10 month curriculum.

### Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex: \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Community Activities (attach additional sheet of needed): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Write a paragraph on why you are interested in Leadership Oconee County and share information about your past community service.

Applicant's Signature

Fee \$500.00

Make check payable to:

LEADERSHIP OCONEE COUNTY

Return application and check to:

Leadership Oconee County

P O Box 1

Walhalla, SC 29691

Deadline for application:

July 14, 2017