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Leadership Lodi Application

Sponsored by the Lodi District Chamber of Commerce

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Purpose of Leadership Lodi

Since its beginning in 1990, Leadership Lodi has been designed to inspire and motivate Lodi area citizens to achieve higher levels of leadership responsibility. The ten -month program provides participants with the necessary information to understand the complexities of the Lodi community. In addition, the program will provide students with the opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with current community leaders. Participants will discuss, explore, and learn about topics such as leadership dynamics, government, education, law, agribusiness, economic development t, health, and the arts.

Who Should Apply?

Leadership Lodi applicants should be seeking to enhance their leadership potential, increase their knowledge of the community, and be willing to commit their individual talents for future years for the betterment of the community of Lodi. Graduates of the program include individuals from a wide cross-section of the Lodi community, including representatives from both large and small businesses.

Commitment

Participants attend ten full-day class sessions held on the second Tuesday of each month. Additionally, class members must participate in the class project selected at a mandatory two-day retreat and attend three community meetings. In order to graduate from the program, no more than two class days may be missed and "made up". Partial day attendance, including late arrival, counts as an absence.

Tuition

Leadership Lodi is an educational program sponsored by the Lodi District Chamber of Commerce, a non-profit organization. Tuition for Leadership Lodi is $1200 per student - a $100 down-payment which must accompany the application and $1100 which is due at the start of the first class in February. The tuition may be paid by the participant, by the employer, or through a sponsor. The Lodi Chamber of Commerce accepts payment via check, Visa, and MasterCard. Down-payments of individuals who are not selected will be fully refunded. Tuition is a tax-deductible education expense.

Selection of Participants

The Leadership Lodi Steering Committee is charged with selecting a diverse group for each yearly class. Membership or past involvement with the Lodi District Chamber of Commerce does not ensure acceptance in the program.

Application Deadline

The application deadline for enrollment is the last Friday of November. Appointments for personal interviews will be made throughout December, with class selection made at the end of the year.

To ensure your enrollment, please complete your application and submit it along with your down-payment as soon as possible. Only a limited number of participants, approximately 14, are accepted each year.

For further information, please contact Karen Alvarez at the Lodi District Chamber of Commerce, at (209) 367-7840 ext 103.

Graduation Dinner

The current class of Leadership Lodi will be graduating in January as part of the annual Lodi Chamber Annual Meeting and Outstanding Citizens of the Year Celebration.

Applicants should consider attending this premiere event for a unique opportunity to meet this year's graduating class and next year's class which you're applying to join.

For tickets and more information, please contact the Lodi Chamber front desk.

Directions

Please complete the attached application. All applications will be handled in the strictest of confidence. Please limit responses to the space provided. To assist in the selection process, please type or print legibly. Bring your completed application, **only pages 1-6,** along with your tuition deposit to the Lodi Chamber office (35 S. School St).

Contact Information:

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, ST, ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Employer Information:

Company: _____

Position / Title: _____

Business Address: _____

City, ST, ZIP: _____

Business Phone: _____

Email:

Personal Email: _____

Business Email: _____

Email Preference: Personal Business

Note: If you use a junk email filter, please take a moment to add (or "whitelist" or "allow") the following domain names so that our messages are not blocked:

lodichamber.com, appliedoffice.net, and surveymonkey.com

Getting to Know You:

Unique Fact # 1: _____

Example: I have at/ended every Super Bo1vlgame since I was a child.

Unique Fact # 2: _____

Unique Fact # 3: _____

An Optimistic Vision:

Example: A Lodi with free, public transportation on every corner.

Help Us Feed You:

Dietary Requirements (circle): Vegetarian Vegan Gluten-Free Lactose Intolerant _____

Picky Eating Notes: _____

Favorite Snack: _____

When You were a Child:

First Pet's Name: _____

Favorite Cartoon: _____

City, State: _____

Other Questions:

Preferred Shirt Size: _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ *(Please visit the Chamber and try on a shirt first.)*

Sponsor:

Sponsor's Name: _____

Educational and Organizational Background:

Highlight educational, civic, professional, and business background and activities of the past five years :

Please list your volunteer and organizational involvement:

Organization	Dates Participated	Position

Please list special recognition or awards, if any:

Please list your areas of community interest:

How do you perceive your availability for community involvement next year?

__ Same as Today More Time Less Time

Please describe commitments for the coming year, including work, family, school, and volunteering:

Work: _____

Family: _____

School: _____

Volunteering: _____

Other: _____

What do you hope to achieve through participation in Leadership Lodi?

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Identify and discuss any issue or problem crucial to the quality of life in Lodi:

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References:

List three individuals who have knowledge of your qualifications and background, and who may be contacted by the Leadership Lodi Steering Committee:

Name	Company	Phone
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Commitment and Participation:

Graduation from this program requires the following participation and commitments. Please mark your initials on the spaces below indicating your understanding and agreement.

_____ Class sessions are scheduled from 7:45 am until 5:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month from February through (and including) November. Participants may only miss a maximum of two full-day sessions. If any day (or part of a day) is missed, the participant must attend a community meeting (from a list of approved meetings) and submit a written review.

_____ In addition to any required make-up sessions, participants must attend three (3) community meetings or volunteer at six (6) opportunities. These can be done at any time during the year.

_____ Time to return phone calls will be allotted during short breaks and lunch. Participants are not to use their mobile devices during class, and may not leave the premises at any time.

_____ Each participant must attend and contribute to the mandatory retreat in March. This event will be spent planning your class project . This retreat is only for participants (no spouses, children, etc).

_____ Volunteer time is required to plan for - and complete - the selected class project, often in evenings and weekends. Participants can expect to spend 10-30 hours completing the project .

_____ To avoid conflicts of interest, participants understand that any non-pro fit organizations in which they serve in a leadership role will not be considered for the class project .

_____ Participants must have their employers' approval to join Leadership Lodi, including the commitment and participation it requires which often conflicts with work schedules. This includes class sessions, the retreat, volunteering towards the class project, and any other meetings and commitments that may arise.

_____ While attending sessions and working on the class project, participants are expected to represent the Leadership Lodi program with the utmost of professionalism and respect toward others.

_____ Prior to a successful graduation from the program, participants shall have identified an area of volunteer community service, and shall have offered their ongoing commitment to that organization.

Acceptance

Your signature below indicates your understanding and acceptance of the tuition and graduation requirements listed above.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Applicants to the Leadership Lodi program must have the support of their sponsoring business organization and employer (if different) as the program requires time away from work. Their signature here indicates their understanding and acceptance of the requirements listed above.

Signature of Employer _____ Title _____ Date _____

Signature of Sponsor (if different) _____ Title _____ Date _____

Application Process:

Please return your completed application, along with your application deposit, to the Lodi Chamber of Commerce in person or by mail, to:

Leadership Lodi
Lodi Chamber of Commerce
35 S. School Street
Lodi, CA 95240

If you have any questions, please contact us via phone (209.367.7840 x103) or email KAlvarez@LodiChamber.com

Privacy Notice:

_____ A list of class participants will be provided to each **class member,** which includes your *personal* phone number and email address. Initial here to indicate your consent, or leave this blank to keep your personal information private from your class.

Your *personal* information will never be made available to anyone outside of Leadership Lodi. Your *business* information will be provided to program sponsors, our alumni association, class facilitators, and speakers.