

Registration

Tuition for **Leadership McMinnville** is \$450. This includes all expenses for meals, speakers, class materials, and travel. The individual, employer or sponsor must pay full tuition prior to the retreat. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of your class placement to an alternate candidate. Tuition is non-refundable if you withdraw or are dropped from the course.

Participants are asked to commit to all Leadership McMinnville sessions. Each candidate is urged to discuss the commitment and obligation of time with his/her employer. This is an opportunity for individuals and companies to grow, but can only be accomplished with dedication and desire.

The Retreat is a mandatory overnight event. The retreat begins at 7:45 am on Friday and ends Saturday at 12:00 noon. Class meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month. With the exception of March Legislative Day

Application deadline for the
Leadership Class of 2012
November 30, 2011

Completed applications should be
returned to the Chamber Office.



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Leadership McMinnville

Mission

Leadership McMinnville is a personal development program designed to motivate participants to develop and enhance leadership skills by addressing pertinent community issues.

Goals

- Develop leadership skills.
- Develop communication skills.
- Provide opportunities to understand how the community functions.
- Provide networking opportunities between emerging and current leaders.
- Encourage sustained participation and commitment to the community.



History

Leadership is the key ingredient of a successful community. The first **Leadership McMinnville Class** was in 1986. It was designed to encourage and prepare citizens to assume leadership roles in their business and the community.

Special Project

Each class of **Leadership McMinnville** is responsible for planning and conducting the class project—the Autumn Street Fair. This project puts into practice the skills acquired during the year.

Attendance Policy

Leadership McMinnville is designed as a total experience in which class members attend an opening retreat and a full day session every second Wednesday of the month. Graduation is held in December. **Class members are expected to attend all sessions.**

The Organization

Leadership McMinnville is a program of the McMinnville-Warren County Chamber of Commerce. The program is directed by a Steering Committee composed of past participants and current community leaders. This Committee is responsible for the program curriculum, participant selection, and monthly agendas.

Criteria for Selection

Class members must be residents of Warren County, employed in Warren County, or actively involved in the Warren County Community. Participants will be selected who bring positive and diverse backgrounds and interests.

Consideration for selection will include:

- Demonstration of a desire to serve the community;
- Willingness to seek leadership roles in work, the community, or volunteer organizations;
- Motivation to improve skills;
- Potential for advancement to leadership positions;
- A commitment to participate fully in the **Leadership McMinnville** program, meet its attendance requirements, and as an alumni, continue involvement with the program for at least one year as a resource person, planner, and other role as needed.

The Program

Leadership McMinnville consists of one weekend retreat and nine monthly topic-oriented, one-day seminars. The retreat provides structured exercises and presentations which explore theories of leadership, team building and personal power, as well as decision-making through group discussion and activities. The one-day seminars focus on a major area of community concern. Participants are given the opportunity to explore issues with leaders representing a broad range of community interests.

The goal of each day is to open the minds of each participant and enable them to become more visionary leaders in the community.

Mandatory attendance requirements:

1. All monthly sessions.
2. The Retreat in mid-January.
3. Chamber Annual Banquet Jan. 30
4. Legislative Breakfast
5. Assist with Smokin' In McMinnville BBQ Cook-off August 9–11.
6. Set-up & operate the Chamber's Fair Booth to promote Leadership & Autumn Street Fair.
7. You must participate in the class project (Autumn Street Fair).

General Guidelines

- Emergencies necessitating the missing of any part of a monthly session shall be made up at the discretion of the Leadership Steering Committee.
- Communication is essential. Class members are expected to notify the Class Chair or Co-Chair of any emergencies.
- Each class is responsible for replacing funds in the Leadership McMinnville account for the use of the next class. Details of money raised and its uses and expenditures by the class will be explained at the retreat.
- Cell phone use during sessions is strongly discouraged.