

LEADERSHIP BELLEVILLE APPLICATION 2016-2017

I. CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION

Please complete this application thoroughly and legibly. Applicants may attach additional pages or a resume if so desired in response to the following questions.

This application also requires an ESSAY on why each applicant feels they should be accepted into the program. Please include information, in detail, regarding your leadership strengths and qualifications.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
(Please provide your name as you would like it to appear on your graduation plaque)

Preferred First Name *(if different than above)*: _____

Employer: _____

Title/Position: _____

Work Address: _____

Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

II. SPONSOR

Name of company/organization sponsoring you: _____

Address and phone number of sponsoring company/organization (if different than your employer):

If you are not being sponsored by a company/organization, please check here _____.
(Self-nomination's receive equal consideration)

III. REFERENCES

List two people who have knowledge of your qualifications as a LEADERSHIP BELLEVILLE candidate.

1. _____ Phone: _____

2. _____ Phone: _____

IV. GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Participants entering into the Leadership Belleville program make a 9-month time commitment in order to be eligible to graduate.

- Kick-off Breakfast - August 19, 2016. Attendance is strongly encouraged.
- Two-Day Retreat - September 8-9, 2016 at Pere Marquette Lodge in Grafton - **Attendance at the retreat is mandatory. Any participant who does not attend the retreat cannot continue with the program.**
- Seven full-day sessions once a month: October 21, 2016, November 18, 2016, December 16, 2016, January 20, 2017, February 17, 2017, March 17, 2017, April 21, 2017.
- Reflection Day, May 5, 2017 – **Attendance is mandatory. Any participant who does not attend Reflection Day and participate in the presentations will not meet the qualifications to graduate.**
- Graduation Banquet, May 5, 2017 – Attendance is strongly encouraged.

V. TUITION

Tuition for each participant accepted into Leadership Belleville is **\$1,100** for members of the Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce. The price for non-members is **\$1,250**. The participant, the participant’s employer or a sponsoring organization, may pay tuition. Tuition is to be submitted upon notice of acceptance into the program and payable prior to August 12, 2016.

VI. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I understand the purpose of the LEADERSHIP BELLEVILLE program and that the completion of this application does not ensure my acceptance in the 2016-2017 class. If selected, I understand that this is a 9-month program and I am aware of the time commitment it takes in order to qualify to graduate. I have my employer’s support for my participation, where applicable.

If selected, I will arrange for payment of the \$1,100 member or \$1,250 non-member tuition fee to LEADERSHIP BELLEVILLE on or before August 12, 2016. I understand that tuition is non-refundable.

I certify that all of the statements made in this application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and are made in good faith. I know and understand that all items herein may be verified.

(Applicant Signature) (Date)

I have reviewed this application and understand the time and financial commitment it represents. We agree to support LEADERSHIP BELLEVILLE and these commitments if our candidate is selected.

(Employer’s Signature) (Date)

(Employer’s Printed Name) (Title)

(Phone) (Email)

Financial scholarships are available for the 2016-2017 class. Scholarship assistance is based on financial need and your company/organization must be a member of the Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce. If you are interested in applying for a financial scholarship, please include a separate essay, 500 words or less, stating the reasons why financial assistance is needed.

Please check one of the following boxes

- I would like to be considered for a financial scholarship of \$950 (there is a \$150 commitment fee).
- I would like to be considered for a financial scholarship. The amount myself/my company is able to pay towards the program is \$_____

In order to be considered for a financial scholarship, application and both essays must be returned by July 17th.

All applications will be handled in the strictest confidence. As a matter of policy, LEADERSHIP BELLEVILLE does not discriminate among applicants and participants on the basis of race, religion, sex, age or disability.

Applications must be received by the Chamber office by July 31, 2016.

You will be notified of your participation status by August 5, 2016 and tuition is due by August 12, 2016.

Please send your application to:

Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce
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(618) 233-2015 Fax (618) 233-2077
btucker@bellevillechamber.org