

LEADERSHIP

OKALOOSA  2016-2017

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Summary

Leadership Okaloosa is an esteemed leadership training and development program with a 26 year history of being a vital part of Okaloosa County's growth and development of its leaders. This 9 month experience is designed to enhance the participant's leadership skills and provide community awareness. Hosted from September to May, participants receive classroom training by certified instructors and are given opportunities to interact with various key community leaders throughout the process. Tours of key areas such as Destin, Crestview, Niceville, Valparaiso, Fort Walton Beach, Eglin Air Force Base, Hurlburt Field and Legislative Days in Tallahassee provide participants with a better understanding of the community. Additionally, each participant takes part in a group project to benefit the community while focusing on project management, time management and team building skills. Another important aspect of Leadership Okaloosa is the networking relationships forged that lead to long lasting personal and professional relationships. Leadership Okaloosa is hosted by the Northwest Florida State College Costa Leadership Institute with the support of the Crestview Area Chamber of Commerce, Destin Area Chamber of Commerce, Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce, and Niceville Valparaiso Chamber of Commerce.

Benefits to the Participant:

- Learn leadership training and development
- Network with others in the community
- Be equipped and motivated to assume leadership roles in the community
- Interact with community leaders
- Develop an awareness of the region and its needs
- Awareness of the Legislative process (Tallahassee Legislative Days)

Application Criteria

Applications are accepted May 9 through August 15, 2016. The class size ranges from 25-40 participants. Leadership Okaloosa seeks participants who:

- Demonstrate leadership qualities in their job
- Participate in the community and desire to better our community through active leadership
- Commit necessary time and effort to complete Leadership Okaloosa
- Represent a cross section of the population
- Hold high standards of personal integrity
- Desire to network with others in the community
- Equipped and motivated to assume leadership roles in a variety of settings

Nominations Accepted May 9 - August 15, 2016
Each applicant will be notified of their status by August 29, 2016

Graduation Requirements

Participants must attend a minimum of four of the training classes and community tours, Tallahassee Legislative Days trip, and participate and complete the class project to be eligible for graduation. Make-up options are available.

Tuition Fee - \$925

The fee includes leadership development training, *Effective Leadership* book and materials, coffee and lunch during monthly training days, chamber breakfast or lunch during tour days, graduation celebration for participant and a guest to attend, and Tallahassee Legislative Days transportation and dinner.

SCHEDULE

September 20, 2016	Orientation and Training Day	Costa Leadership Inst.
October 11, 2016.....	Training Day.....	Costa Leadership Inst.
November 3, 2016	Crestview Tour.....	Crestview
December 6, 2016.....	Training Day.....	Destin Fort Walton Beach Airport
January 11, 2017	Niceville Valparaiso Tour	Niceville/Valparaiso
February 21, 2017	Training Day.....	Costa Leadership Inst.
March 3, 2017	Fort Walton Beach Tour.....	Fort Walton Beach
March 29 & 30, 2017	Tallahassee Legislative Days	Tallahassee
April 25, 2017.....	Training Day.....	Costa Leadership Inst.
May 9, 2017.....	Destin Tour	Destin
May 11, 2017.....	Graduation Celebration.....	TBD

Times – Training Days - 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

(September 20 will last until 4:30 p.m.).

Tour Days – 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Graduation Celebration – 5:30 p.m.

Attendance Policy

- Attend at least 4 training days
- Attend Tallahassee Legislative Days (*Mandatory*)
- Attendance at Graduation Celebration is encouraged!

The Costa Leadership Institute is located at the Northwest Florida State College Niceville campus, in the Student Services Center, 3rd Floor.

NOTE: *This is a tentative schedule and is subject to change.*

*Application for
Leadership Okaloosa*

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Personal

Name _____
(Last) (First) (Initial)

Male Female

Home Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Date of Birth _____ Social Security Number _____

Employment

Current Employer _____

Business Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Office Phone _____

Title/Position _____

Briefly describe your responsibilities _____

Type of Business _____

Has your employer authorized the required time commitment for participation in Leadership Okaloosa?

Yes No

Direct Supervisor's Name _____

Direct Supervisor's E-mail _____

Employment...continued

Previous Employer _____

Title/Responsibility _____

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Organizations / Activities / Community Involvement

Professional and Community Organization Membership _____

What do you consider a major accomplishment associated with the professional and/or community organization(s) you have been affiliated with that you had a hand in accomplishing? _____

What would you consider one of your greatest contributions to the Okaloosa County community?

What skill and/or knowledge do you hope to gain from participating in Leadership Okaloosa?

What do you feel is the biggest issue facing Okaloosa County?

How did you hear about Leadership Okaloosa? _____

Which Okaloosa County Chamber are you a member of?

- Crestview Destin Fort Walton Beach Niceville Valparaiso

EA/EO

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Application Deadline: August 15, 2016

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Application may be submitted by Mail or E-mail.

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