



The Wyoming County Chamber of Commerce is proud to invite applications for Leadership Wyoming Class of 2018. Our annual 9-month program is designed to strengthen leadership & professional development skills of our local business leaders. Leadership Wyoming will enhance knowledge of community, industry and economy in Wyoming County through leadership, team building and interpersonal growth.

Leaders will participate in monthly sessions designed to expand their knowledge and awareness of Wyoming County. Our program goal is to develop advocates for Wyoming County's growth and continued success while helping each participant to reach their potential in professional and personal development.

Our sessions, led by experts in their field, will include the following:

- Agriculture
- Leadership Retreat
- Manufacturing
- Energy & Sustainability
- Government & Law Enforcement
- Healthcare
- Community & Human Services
- Economic Development
- Heritage & Culture including Tourism & Recreation

Applicants must live/work in Wyoming County or be employed by a member of the Wyoming County Chamber of Commerce. Applications will be available now, and participants will be selected through a competitive selection process led by the Leadership Wyoming Committee. Applications are open to local individuals who play a leadership role and have demonstrated accomplishments in their careers and/or the community. Ideal Leadership Wyoming applicants will have the desire to gain a deeper awareness of the opportunities and challenges facing Wyoming County, be driven to enhance their own leadership skills and experiences, and commit to making positive change within their organizations, community, and region.

The participants selected will be required to attend each of the 9 scheduled sessions as well as work with their team on a community project throughout the 10 months from August 2017 – May 2018. The Wyoming County Chamber of Commerce envisions this program as a pathway to greater success for Wyoming County. The Class of 2017 earned 8-10 Continuing Education Units from Penn State University and we will work to have the curriculum approved again this year. We look forward to your support. If you have any questions please call me at (570)836-7755.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gina Severcool Suydam".

Gina Severcool Suydam
President
Wyoming County Chamber of Commerce



Application

Submit by **June 30, 2017** to:

Leadership Wyoming County
Wyoming County Chamber of Commerce
79 Warren Street
Tunkhannock, PA 18657
Email: gina@wyccc.com
(570) 836-7755
Fax (570) 836-6049

Criteria for selection:

- Demonstrated professional and/or personal leadership experience
- Personal commitment to make a difference in Wyoming County
- Goals for participating in Leadership Wyoming
- A cross section of demographics

Name: _____

Home Telephone: (____) _____ Work Telephone: (____) _____

Cell: (____) _____ Fax Number: (____) _____

Business Email Address: _____ Personal Email Address: _____

Home Address: _____

Employer: _____ Your Title: _____

Business Address: _____

Supervisor: _____ Supervisors Telephone: (____) _____

Length of time living in Wyoming County _____

Length of time working in Wyoming County _____

Do you currently volunteer with an organization(s) in Wyoming County Yes No

If Yes, Name of Organization(s):

Please submit additional documents listed on the back with this application.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Please submit the following documents along with your application:

1. Personal Statement addressing the following:

A. Resume

B. Employment

Please describe your current occupation, including responsibilities, leadership roles and accomplishments.

C. Describe two opportunities or challenges facing Wyoming County in the next decade and give some brief thoughts about how you can help address them.

D. How do you plan to use your Leadership Wyoming experience to benefit the community?

2. Commitment Contract (please read thoroughly and obtain proper signatures)

This is a critical component of Leadership Wyoming; you and your employer must be fully aware of your commitment & responsibilities.

Items to be delivered after program acceptance:

1. Tuition

\$595 check payable to Wyoming County Chamber of Commerce

Limited scholarships may be available for non-profit organizations

2. Waiver & Emergency Contact

COMMITMENT AGREEMENT

Leadership Wyoming

This **CODE OF CONDUCT & COMMITMENT CONTRACT** is presented to you as a participant in Leadership Wyoming. This is a major responsibility and commitment on your part and must be taken seriously by you and your employer. You have been selected to participate in *Leadership Wyoming (LW)* to represent your employer. A higher expectation is now placed on you as an individual to experience personal growth which will prepare you to become a better leader.

Your participation in LW is considered a work event. The Program consists of nine (9) monthly sessions including a two-day retreat. Sessions will begin on August 30 and continue on the third Wednesday of every month September through May (No session will be held in December). Participants are expected to fully participate in the following to complete the Program:

- Attend the full-day program once a month from August through May.
- Attend the two-day leadership session held September 20 & 21.
- Attend the final presentation and graduation ceremony held in June 2018.
- Complete all *LW* session assignments on time. Understand this may take additional hours outside of all scheduled sessions.
- Work with your class to complete the class project as needed outside of class sessions.
- Provide your own transportation to and from each session.

PARTICIPANT EXPECTATIONS

The following **CODE OF CONDUCT & COMMITMENT CONTRACT** expectations are required for each participant to commit to and carry out. Check each box after reading, understanding and agreeing to the statement.

- I understand it is **mandatory** to attend **all *Leadership Wyoming* sessions and activities**.
- I will complete and hand in all required LW course assignments by the specified date for each session.
- I will maintain my responsibility to my work obligations.
- I will keep my immediate supervisor aware of my progress on a regular basis.
- Appearance is an important part of one's character and a social responsibility. I will uphold the dress code by following directions under the dress code section in each session syllabus.

EMPLOYER EXPECTATIONS

The following **CODE OF CONDUCT & COMMITMENT CONTRACT** expectations are required for each employer/supervisor to commit to and carry out. Check each box after reading, understanding and agreeing to the statement.

- I/We will support and encourage our employee's participation in *Leadership Wyoming*.

- I/We will meet with our participating employee prior to the submission of their application to review both the employee's and our expectations.
- I/We will meet with our participating employee to review their progress, discuss concerns, challenges, etc.

EMPLOYER & EMPLOYEE EXPECTATION AGREEMENT

The following section must be completed by **BOTH** the **employer** and **employee** highlighting the expectations each hopes will be achieved by participating in *Leadership Wyoming*.

EMPLOYER EXPECTATIONS (Please list (3) three)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

EMPLOYEE EXPECTATIONS (Please list (3) three)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

I understand the purpose of *Leadership Wyoming* and, if selected, will devote the time and energy necessary to complete the program. I agree to abide by all provisions and commitment of *Leadership Wyoming*.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

The support and commitment from our business/organization to our employee is essential for the success of the applicant in the *Leadership Wyoming*.

Employer/Supervisor's Signature _____ Date _____