Tuition

Tuition for Leadership Coweta is $895 for Chamber members or $1095 for non-Chamber members. (Non-Chamber member tuition includes a $200 credit towards Chamber membership.) Tuition covers all expenses for the nine monthly sessions, overnight Leadership Retreat, meals, limited transportation, graduation, honorariums for speakers, and miscellaneous administrative costs. Costs of any optional enrichment opportunities, if any, are not included. Tuition must be paid in full or payment arrangements made by August 1. A very limited number of partial scholarships for demonstrated financial need may be available upon request and submission of additional financial information. Requests for further information about Leadership Coweta should be directed to Cynthia Bennett by calling 770.253.2270 or by emailing cynthia@newnancowetachamber.org.

How to Submit an Application

Applications may be downloaded at www.newnancowetachamber.org. Completed applications may be submitted in the following ways:

- Email to cynthia@newnancowetachamber.org, subject line: Leadership Coweta Application Submission
- Drop off or mail to the Newnan-Coweta Chamber at 23 Bullsboro Drive, Newnan, GA 30263
What is Leadership Coweta?
Strong leadership is an essential ingredient in the continuing development of a community. Leadership Coweta, sponsored by the Newnan-Coweta Chamber, provides existing and emerging leaders with unique opportunities to enhance their civic knowledge of Coweta County, to sharpen their leadership skills and to network with leaders from across the community. For nearly 25 years, the program has provided participants a better understanding of how our community works, opportunity to build relationships with the region’s leaders and inspiration to use their talents to serve the community.

What Can Leadership Coweta Do For You?
Leadership Coweta prepares emerging community leaders. In this 11 month program, participants benefit from:
- Formal and informal exchanges of ideas and experiences
- Enhanced personal leadership skills awareness and development
- In-depth view of community issues
- Access to opportunities for community involvement
- Understanding about the interdependencies between sectors of the local economy as well as the interrelationships of local issues
- Knowledge on numerous subjects which prepare them for more active community leadership roles

Who is Eligible?
Leadership Coweta desires to select a diversified group in terms of ethnicity, gender, professions and industries. Individuals represent areas such as business, social services, government, cultural, and educational organizations. Class members must live and/or work in Coweta County as of the time they submit their application.

What is the Attendance Requirement?
Attendance at all activities is mandatory. Attendance requirements reflect the commitment necessary to receive a meaningful experience from investment in the Leadership Coweta program. Participants and their employers must be willing to commit the necessary time to fully participate in the program. Commitment to 100% attendance is required of each participant.

What is Expected of Participants?
Over the 11 month long program, Leadership Coweta participants are required to attend an orientation in June, an Alumni cookout in August, a two-day, overnight retreat in September, the nine class sessions and a celebration luncheon in June. Commitment to 100% attendance is required of each participant.

What is the Class Format?
Nine sessions will be held between September 2020 and May 2021, generally the second Tuesday of the month. A kick-off cookout is hosted by the alumni in the beginning and a graduation luncheon is held to close out the program. Most sessions are from 8:30am–5:00pm. Local, regional and state leaders will share their knowledge and perspectives through presentations, interactive sessions, role plays, panel discussions and hands-on activities. Class formats will demonstrate real situations and challenges and opportunities in Coweta County. Participants will gain first-hand experience through behind-the-scenes tours of various public and private facilities.

Leadership Retreat
Leadership Coweta is built on strong fundamental leadership principles. Class members will participate in a number of team-building, leadership-style exploration exercises and networking activities designed to demonstrate the dynamics of effective leadership. Fundamental background information about the community as well as an overview of the class projects will also be discussed during the retreat.

Class Project
The class project serves as a central component of the Leadership Coweta experience. The project provides participants with an opportunity to turn concepts into workable projects and problem solving by working in small teams to accomplish a larger mission. The project directly correlates with themes explored during class sessions and is a capstone to the Leadership Coweta class experience.

Enrichment Activities
Beyond the monthly class sessions, periodic optional opportunities will be provided for additional enrichment of leadership and community knowledge. Examples include a day of optional tours of local industry and attendance at local elected board meetings.

What is the Selection Process?
The Leadership Coweta program is open to anyone who lives and/or works in Coweta County as of the time they submit their application. No more than two representatives from any one organization can be selected to participate in a class. The application process is governed by a Leadership Coweta Executive Team, which reviews all applications received and determines finalist applicants to be invited to final interviews. Leadership Coweta considers the following criteria during the process:
- Demonstrated leadership abilities
- Community interest and involvement
- Desire to assume expanded leadership responsibility
- Class representation of diverse backgrounds and experiences

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