



Young Business Leader of the Year Award

Description and Qualifications (Nomination Form on Back)

The Young Business Leader of the Year Award is designed to be not only a prestigious honor for an outstanding young leader within the community, but also provide an incentive for other young entrepreneurs, business employees, and civic-minded individuals to enhance their contributions to the health of the business environment in Lincoln Parish.

Nominations will come from within the Chamber Board as well as through a general call for nominations throughout the community and Chamber membership. This process will take place in tandem with the nomination process for the Robert E. Russ Award. The award will be presented during the annual Chamber Banquet with the recipient receiving a plaque and registration scholarship for Leadership Lincoln.

The following guidelines are to be strictly adhered to in the selection of this award:

- The nominee must be under 45 years of age
- The nominee must not have previously won the award
- The nominee can be nominated in multiple or successive years but can only be honored by the award one time
- The nominee must have a relationship with the Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce through membership either as a business owner, an employee of a Chamber member, a member of an organization that is a Chamber member, or an individual membership
- It is not required that the Young Business Leader of the Year Award be given each year

Young Leaders to Watch

In an effort to further cultivate young leadership throughout the Chamber membership and community at large, within the nominations for Young Business Leader of the Year there will be a maximum of five (5) individuals named as "Young Leaders to Watch." These individuals will be featured in the program for the annual Chamber Banquet with a very brief description of why they are leaders to watch as well as named from the podium during the banquet. In addition, they will be the subject of an article in the Ruston Daily Leader and the Chamber Connection. This should be seen as an honor that our young people can aspire toward as they become more involved in the community.

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Nomination Form

Please complete this form in full and attach a nomination letter or narrative; complete the nomination packet by including three (3) letters of support from those who can attest to the nominee's qualifications for the award.

Return to the Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce by December 15, 2017, 4:00 PM.

Mail or bring the nomination packet to: 2111 North Trenton Street, Ruston, LA, 71270

Fax: (318) 255-3481

Email: iflowers@rustonlincoln.org

Nominee for Young Business Leader of the Year Award: _____

Please consider the following criteria when completing the nomination packet:

- Evidence of the individual's leadership within the community through excellence, creativity, and initiative in their business or profession
- Individual's ability toward innovative thinking and entrepreneurship
- Individual's impact on the vitality and strength of the community through valuable community service
- Individual's ability to serve as a role model to other emerging leaders in the community
- Evidence of the individual's generosity of time, resources, and spirit to the community

Supporting documents that provide evidence or examples of the nominee's outstanding qualifications can also be included in the nomination packet.

Once the selection committee has identified a winner, the nominator will be contacted in order to make arrangements to have the winner attend the Chamber Banquet where the award will be presented.

This nomination has been submitted by:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

*Thank you for submitting this nomination form and packet to the
Young Business Person of the Year selection committee.*