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***Dear Leaders and Prospective Leadership Meadville Candidates:***

Leadership is often the difference between success and failure for businesses, organizations and communities. Leadership Meadville is a proactive initiative to develop leadership capacity in the Crawford County area.

Applications for Class 9 of Leadership Meadville are now being accepted.

**Applications are due by June 15, 2018.** Interviews will take place in July. Class 9 of Leadership Meadville will begin with a mandatory **Orientation on Friday, August 24th, 2018.**

A maximum of 20 individuals who live and/or work in Crawford County will come together on **the second Friday of each month, September through May 2019**, to develop their skills and learn how to apply their knowledge to the workplace and community.

We continue to improve the program based on participant feedback, making Leadership Meadville even more relevant and applicable. We are proud of the leadership roles taken in the region by our eight classes of graduates.

Please consider participation in the 2018-19 class and share this information with your employees or colleagues who you think might be interested.

Thank you for your help in supporting our businesses and communities! Please contact the Meadville-Western Crawford County Chamber of Commerce with any questions at 814-337-8030.

Sincerely,

*Christa*

Christa Lundy  
Executive Director



## Application Form

*The MISSION of Leadership Meadville: To identify and develop current and future leaders through a comprehensive program designed to increase knowledge and awareness of the issues and challenges facing this community while also providing knowledge of all that Crawford County has to offer.*

*Our VISION is to be a highly valued and respected program recognized for the quality and diversity of its members, who remain committed to improving our region through ongoing education, awareness, and involvement.*

**Instructions:**

Submit entire application and attachments by **Friday, June 15, 2018** to:

**Meadville-Western Crawford County Chamber of Commerce  
908 Diamond Park, Meadville, PA 16335 or fax to 814-337-8022**

- Application must be signed by candidate, candidate’s employer (if applicable) and financial sponsor (if applicable).
- Please complete entire application (application form, resume and additional information) process.  
*Incomplete applications will not be accepted.*

### Personal Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of time living and/or working in area: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Any physical limitations? If so, please describe:

\_\_\_\_\_

Any dietary restrictions? If so, please describe:

\_\_\_\_\_

Polo shirt size: (Check one) Men’s:     Small     Medium     Large     XL     2XL     3XL  
 Women’s:     Small     Medium     Large     XL     2XL     3XL

## Employment: Please fill in this section AND attach a resume.

Current Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Employed: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business phone/extension: \_\_\_\_\_ Business fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of organization (government, non-profit, manufacturing, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

## Additional Information

Please complete the following items on separate sheets of paper and return with the application:

1. A resume.
2. Please write a essay of at least 500 words on why you want to be part of the program, why you should be chosen as a participant for Leadership Meadville 9 and what you expect to gain from the program.
3. Please list the three most significant challenges facing our area in the near future. Briefly explain your choices.

## Employer Financial Commitment (if applicable)

**Tuition is \$600 for Chamber members; \$750 for non-members. The full amount of tuition is due by Friday, August 10, 2018.**

**Sponsor:** I agree to pay the Meadville-Western Crawford County Chamber of Commerce tuition of \$600 or \$750 (please circle) for this applicant. I understand the tuition is non-refundable.

Employer signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_

## Financial Assistance

A tuition subsidy (partial scholarship) may be available for individuals based on financial need. Please be aware that financial assistance is limited to a maximum of \$300, so participants must self-fund a minimum of \$300.

- Check this box if you are requesting financial assistance. Also, please provide a short essay of at least 250 words explaining why you should be granted a scholarship. **Return this essay on a separate page with your application.**

Amount you are requesting: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Personal Commitment

Leadership Meadville Class of 2018-19 (LM9) represents a commitment. In order to achieve its objectives, the full participation of each individual selected is required. **Participants are expected to attend 9 full-day sessions (7:30 am to 4:00 pm) and Orientation** (each program is the second Friday of each month, September through May), **complete required assignments, and actively participate in the Chili, Chowder and Soup Cook-Off (class fundraising project).**

The program begins with a **mandatory Orientation Day on Friday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**, and ends with graduation during the last class on Friday, May 10, 2019.

Applicants must be at least 25 years of age or have a minimum of five years of professional work experience.

I understand the goals and purpose of Leadership Meadville, and I am willing to attend all the sessions/functions sponsored by Leadership Meadville and devote the time necessary to be a contributing participant.

If I am a self-funded participant, I also agree to pay the \$600 or \$750 tuition by August 10, 2018. I understand this tuition is non-refundable.

**I understand that I, and my employer/sponsor (if applicable), will be provided a progress report mid-way through the program.**

**I understand attendance is a requirement and I am not to miss more than one class. If I must miss a class for emergency reasons, I will notify the appropriate Chamber personnel prior to the start of that day's class.**

Candidate Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Employer Commitment (if applicable)

I understand the time commitment required and agree to allow my employee to devote the time necessary to be an active participant of Leadership Meadville 2018-19.

Employer signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name and Title \_\_\_\_\_

## Please Verify

- ✓ **Applicants must complete all items listed on this form, submit a resume, 500 word essay, and an outline of three challenges facing our area. Also, include required essay if applying for a scholarship.**
- ✓ **Application must be returned by Friday, June 15, 2018, to the Meadville-Western Crawford County Chamber of Commerce.**
- ✓ **Payment in full is due by Friday, August 10, 2018.**