



CLASS OF 2025 APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in the Leadership Westerville Community Leadership Program! The mission of our organization is to create multi-generational diverse leaders who serve the community through civic engagement, stewardship, and community collaboration.

The program year runs from September through May. Participants are expected to attend one full day session, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., per month (tentative dates are listed at the bottom of this application). Tuition for each participant is \$950. Tuition covers participant materials, assessments, meals, speakers, a professional headshot, and rental fees.

To be considered for the cohort, please complete and return the completed application by **August 2, 2024**. Applications can be emailed to srusterholz@westervillechamber.com or mailed to

99 Commerce Park Dr. Ste. A
Westerville, OH 43082

PERSONAL DATA

Name: First Middle Last

Home Address: Number Street City/Zip Code

Business:

Business Address Number Street City/Zip Code

Home Phone Number: Business Phone Number:

E-mail Address:

of years residing in Westerville: # of years working in Westerville:

EMPLOYMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

Current Employer:

Type of Organization:

Position Title: Date of Hire:

Please summarize previous employment information below and attach resume, if desired:

Employer	Position Title	Dates of Employment (From/To)
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EDUCATION

Please list schools/universities attended, degrees received and/or specialized training below:

Name of School/College/University Location (City, State)	Degree
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ACTIVITIES, HONORS, AND VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Please list special honors, awards or distinctions received for leadership, academic or professional performance and date received below (attach separate page, if desired):

Please list major volunteer leadership role(s) that you have held within the last three years:

1. Organization:
Position: Check one: elected appointed
2. Responsibilities:
3. Organization:
Position: Check one: elected appointed
4. Responsibilities:
5. Organization:
Position: Check one: elected appointed
6. Responsibilities:

What do you consider to be your most important accomplishment in one of the organizations listed above? Why?
(attach separate page, if desired)

Please list the types of community boards, civic organizations or volunteer groups with which you would like to become involved in the future.

GENERAL INFORMATION

If you have not had the time or interest to become actively involved in the community in the past, what conditions have changed that enable you to become more involved in the community?

What specific skills and/or knowledge do you hope to gain from your participation in Leadership Westerville?

PERSONAL REFERENCES

Please list three references, other than your current employer, who are knowledgeable about your leadership skills, leadership potential and/or community activities:

Name and Title	Telephone Number (please specify if home or work)	E-mail Address

COMMITMENT (PLEASE READ CAREFULLY)

The Leadership Westerville program aims for the full participation from each class member. To ensure an effective learning environment our class size is limited. The program year begins with the first session scheduled for **Tuesday, September 3, 2024**. *Full participation is required during the entire session as it is the building block of the entire class and curriculum.*

The program year runs from September through May. Participants are expected to attend one full day session, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., per month. To fulfill graduation requirements, each participant may not miss more than two class sessions. If an emergency, and more than two sessions are missed, the program allows the participant to complete the missed requirements and graduate the following year.

Tuition for each participant is \$950. Tuition covers participant materials, assessments, meals, speakers, a professional headshot, and rental fees. Your employer or a sponsor may pay tuition. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship, please indicate below:

Please consider my application for the Val Advent Community Leadership Scholarship.

The Val Advent Memorial Scholarship was created to fund the participation of one Leadership Westerville student annually for each academic year. The scholarship was created in 2002 to honor the late Val Advent. Val served as an original Board Member of Leadership Westerville and was Clerk of Council for the City of Westerville. Val dedicated her career to public service and assisting others. Applicants should espouse the virtues of servant leadership. The ideal candidate serves in state or local government or in the not-for-profit sector.

**Scholarships are limited and not guaranteed to be worth the full amount of tuition for a participant.*

EMPLOYER/SUPERVISOR SUPPORT (IF APPLICABLE)

This applicant has my full support to participate in Leadership Westerville. I am aware of the time commitment involved in his/her participation.

Supervisor Name:

Title:

Organization:

E-mail:

Signature:

Date:

More on next page.

LEADERSHIP WESTERVILLE APPLICATION AGREEMENT

Leadership Westerville is committed to providing a quality program and will limit the class size. Applications will be reviewed to determine selected participants in the upcoming class. I understand the goals and attendance requirements of the Leadership Westerville program. If selected, I will commit the time necessary to complete the program and will pay my tuition upon acceptance. I further understand that Leadership Westerville selects participants based on a variety of considerations. Accordingly, I agree that the Leadership Westerville sponsors shall in no way be liable to me in the event I am not selected for participation in the program.

Applicant’s Signature

Date

Sponsor’s Signature (if applicable)

Date

Leadership Westerville does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, national origin, age, disability or sexual orientation in the selection of participants. Leadership Westerville will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all other anti-discrimination legislation.

LEADERSHIP WESTERVILLE CALENDAR:

9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

- September 3, 2024 (Tuesday)
- October 2, 2024
- November 6, 2024
- December 4, 2024
- January 8, 2025
- February 5, 2025
- March 5, 2025
- April 2, 2025
- April 26, 2025 – *Service Day*
- May 7, 2025- Closing & Graduation