

**Leadership Cabarrus Class of 2018**



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Application  
for Class of 2019





## Engaging, Developing, and Inspiring Community Leaders

### Confidential Application – Class of 2019

#### Program Purpose:

Leadership Cabarrus is a program designed for business and community leaders in mid- to upper-level positions with experience. Goals are to educate and enhance awareness of the assets, resources and needs within the Cabarrus County region. Through a series of monthly class days from September through May, participants are introduced to and examine how leadership in the historical, geographical, educational, economic, governmental and cultural segments work together to perpetuate and advance the Cabarrus County region and its citizens.

The program is also designed to nurture and engage the leadership skills of current and potential leaders. In an atmosphere that is stimulating and fosters diverse viewpoints, results will be innovative answers to the critical questions facing our community. **The program's focus is creating awareness and connecting leaders to the issues; it is not an academic leadership training program.** Further, the program is not political and does not recommend and advocate policy positions on public matters.

#### Program Objectives:

- To inspire and identify current and future community leaders.
- To enhance leadership skills and qualities of participants through in-depth views of the county.
- To stimulate communication among present and future leaders.
- To assist those already in leadership roles to increase their access to additional positions of community leadership in an informed and responsible manner.
- To motivate and encourage participants to assume leadership roles in community affairs.

#### Program Information:

- Application to Leadership Cabarrus is open to persons who live or work in Cabarrus County. All applicants will be notified of status by July 23, 2018.

- Leadership Cabarrus is committed to having a diverse and dynamic membership.
- Applicants must have the full support of the company or organization by which they are employed.
- **Attendance at all of the sessions is expected. Absence of more than a total of eight (8) hours will result in dismissal without refund of tuition.**

#### Instructions/Selection:

- Applications must be submitted on official application form. Secure a paper form in person at the Cabarrus Regional Chamber of Commerce, online ([www.cabarrus.biz](http://www.cabarrus.biz)), or by e-mail to Barbi Jones, Executive Director - [bjones@cabarrus.biz](mailto:bjones@cabarrus.biz).
- Limit answers to the space provided.
- Attach **ONE** letter of recommendation. (More than one will not be accepted.)
- No other attachments will be considered.
- Applications must be fully completed (including letter of recommendation) and signed by the applicant.
- Final candidates will be selected based on highest application scoring.
- Selected applicants will receive an acceptance notification, after which **tuition payment of \$750** is required by August 15. **Non-Chamber member tuition payment is \$975**, subject to availability.

#### Selection Criteria:

The Leadership Cabarrus class shall be selected on the following criteria:

- ★ **Chamber members receive priority.**
  - ✓ Individual qualifications and not that of their employer.
  - ✓ Representation from the greatest breadth of diversity in all socio-economic areas.
  - ✓ Demonstrated ability to set and achieve personal and professional goals.
  - ✓ Demonstrated personal commitment to the Cabarrus County community and society in general.
  - ✓ A commitment to the time required by the program.
  - ✓ A commitment to be a responsible and engaged participant.
  - ✓ Announced candidates for public office may not “campaign” and/or use class time to promote their candidacy in any way.

Submission of an application does not guarantee placement. **Applications must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, June 29, 2018. No exceptions!**

**Leadership Cabarrus Candidate Information:**

Name (last, first, middle) Informal Name Gender

Home Address Home telephone # Home e-mail

Employer Employment address

Job Title How many years have you lived in the Cabarrus Region?

Work Telephone Number Email Address  
(\*Identify preferred email address for communications with an asterisk.)

Place of birth

Have you ever applied to Leadership Cabarrus before? Yes  No

How (or from whom) did you learn about Leadership Cabarrus? i.e., Chamber Website, Chamber event, employer, Leadership alumni, other

**Recommendations:**

Please list two people, *other than your employer*, who are knowledgeable about your leadership performance and potential. You may submit the required **one (1)** letter of recommendation from one of the people you list below:

Name	Business Affiliation	Title	Telephone

**Commitment:**

Tuition for each Chamber member is \$750. (Community member, \$975). Once an applicant is accepted and notified, tuition payment is due on August 15. If no payment is received, participation will be forfeited.

To graduate from the Leadership Cabarrus program, participants are expected to attend all sessions. If **more than 8 hours total** are missed, participant will forfeit his/her membership in the class without a tuition refund. **Participation in the class project is also required.** Professional conduct is paramount and **excludes use of electronic devices during presentations & tours.** Please initial to indicate that you understand these conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

*I understand the objectives and commitments of the Leadership Cabarrus program. If selected, I will devote the time necessary to successfully complete the program, according to the specific requirements, as well as participate in the class project. I understand tuition is due upon confirmation of acceptance. My employer supports my application to the program.*

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**2018/2019 Class Schedule: (Please note and hold these dates on your calendars!)**

August 9	Class Reception	January 8, 2019	News Media & Communications
August 30	Opening Retreat	February 12	Education & Workforce Development
September 11	History of Cabarrus County	March 12	Health & Human Services
<b>October 2</b>	Law Enforcement & Legal System	April 9	Economics of Sports
November 13	Economic Development	May 14	A Sustainable Community
December 11	Local Government	May 21	Class Graduation



**General Information: (continued)**

What specific skills/knowledge do you hope to gain from your participation in Leadership Cabarrus? What qualities will you bring to the program?

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**Activity Data:** (Please limit answers to the space provided)

-What has made you the kind of person who cares about our community?

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-With what volunteer organization/activities are you currently involved? If new to the area, in what have you previously been involved?

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Position/Office

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Describe responsibility and/or accomplishments.

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Organization

Position/Office

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Describe responsibility and/or accomplishments.

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Organization

Position/Office

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Describe responsibility and/or accomplishments.

**Activity Data:** (continued)

To date, what do you consider your most significant community contribution in one of these organizations?

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Describe one important personal or professional goal you hope to attain within the next five years:

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Describe how you have demonstrated a leadership role in your personal and/or professional life:

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Approximately, how much time do you devote to community activities each month? \_\_\_\_\_ Briefly explain.

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What types of volunteer activities would you like to become involved with in the future?

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Is your company a Chamber member? Yes  No

Do you know anyone who participated in Leadership Cabarrus? Yes  No  If yes, please provide name/s.

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**Final checklist:**

- Application typed or printed with all questions answered in the space provided
- Application signed and dated
- One letter of recommendation attached

• Mail, email or deliver to: Leadership Cabarrus, Cabarrus Regional Chamber of Commerce, 3003 Dale Earnhardt Blvd; Kannapolis 28083 – Attn: Barbi Jones. Email – [bjones@cabarrus.biz](mailto:bjones@cabarrus.biz)

**DEADLINE Thursday, June 29, 5:00p.m., for receipt of completed application at the Chamber.**

*Thank you!*