

## HOW TO APPLY FOR THE CLASS OF 2021

Participants will be selected based on their desire to become a more effective leader in the region. Leadership Northwest Missouri recognizes the strength of diversity and will strive for a diverse class composition. Our region is defined as the following 19 counties: Andrew, Atchison, Buchanan, Caldwell, Carroll, Clay, Clinton, Daviess, DeKalb, Gentry, Grundy, Harrison, Holt, Linn, Livingston, Mercer, Nodaway, Sullivan and Worth.

To receive an application containing program and tuition information, please contact:

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Additional Information and Application  
Available Online:

<https://leadershipnorthwestmissouri.org/program-information/>

Sponsorships for Leadership Northwest Missouri are also appreciated.

<https://leadershipnorthwestmissouri.org/partners-sponsors/>

**Application Deadline for Class  
of 2021:  
November 1, 2020**



### Class of 2020 Opening Retreat

#### CONFIDENCE:

“What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.”

*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

#### UNITY:

“No man is an island, entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent.”

*John Donne*

#### LEADERSHIP:

“Sometimes you just have to take the leap and build your wings on the way down.”

*Kobi Yamada*

#### COOPERATIVE SPIRIT:

“No matter how much work a man can do, no matter how engaging his personality may be, he will not advance far in business if he cannot work through others.”

*John Craig*



Class of 2020

## A Regional Leadership Development Program

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## VISION

We envision thriving communities and dynamic leaders.

## MISSION

We build, strengthen, and inspire leaders through training and networking experiences.

## OVERVIEW

Leadership Northwest Missouri is a leadership development program designed for up-and-coming and established leaders. Classes meet monthly from January through June, and are held on a weekday, 9 am to 4 pm. The program includes an overnight retreat, classroom instruction, *Leadership Challenge* materials, a class project, and a graduation celebration in July.

## BENEFITS

- Experience High Quality Leadership Training
- Gain an Understanding of Regional Issues
- Develop a Network of Contacts Throughout the Region
- Discover Avenues of Participation in Regional Activities

## PROGRAM

Each class day consists of discussion around a regional issue, leadership skill training, and community awareness.

Regional Issues May Include:

- Agriculture
- Healthcare
- Entrepreneurship
- Education and Youth Development
- Infrastructure and Technology
- Regional Awareness
- Economic/Workforce Development
- Recreation and Quality of Life

Leadership Skills: \*

- Challenge the Process
- Inspire a Shared Vision
- Enable Others to Act
- Model the Way
- Encourage the Heart

\*Based on *The Leadership Challenge* (Kouzes and Posner)

## CLASS PROJECTS

- ❖ Great Northwest Day at the Capitol
- ❖ Community Storm Siren Project
- ❖ Culture of Character
- ❖ Big Brothers Big Sisters
- ❖ “What’s Happening” in NWMO
- ❖ “Born To Soar” Alumni Gathering
- ❖ “Fill Your Cup” Leadership Summit

Check out the website for more information on class projects:

<https://leadershipnorthwestmissouri.org/class-projects/>

## PAST PARTICIPANTS SPEAK. . .

“Leadership Northwest Missouri was everything I thought it would be and more. The ability to network and truly connect with other professionals in NW Missouri has been something that will positively influence my personal/professional life.”

*Steven Meyer, Albany/Gentry County*

“Leadership Northwest Missouri is a life changing experience that exceeds your expectation and challenges your personal processes.”

*Lisa Geiser, Chillicothe/Livingston County*

“Leadership Northwest Missouri helped me to gain confidence and hone my own leadership skills, while providing me with more leadership knowledge. This program offered a look at regional issues and helped me to grow in my understanding of the needs of northwest Missouri. Together with creating contacts and meeting other leaders throughout the region, this extremely worthwhile program moved me to think on a larger scale and work toward helping the region.”

*Skye Pournazari, St. Joseph/Buchanan County*

“I had heard that the program was a great opportunity to network and build leadership skills but that doesn’t come close to describing the experience that I had building such strong, lasting friendships with a wonderful group of leaders and learning so in-depth about myself as a leader and a person. Truly an amazing experience!”

*Austin Hibler, Hamilton/Caldwell County*

“Leadership NWMO was better than I could have ever imagined. The time spent making connections with other leaders from the area and finding ways to improve myself were priceless.”

*Ashley Bugbee, Bethany/Harrison County*