



Lower Columbia Leadership Academy

In association with Kelso Longview Chamber of Commerce

APPLICATION

PURPOSE

Lower Columbia Leadership Academy is a community leadership program designed to identify, prepare and energize potential leaders and expose them to the realities, opportunities, and challenges facing our communities.

PROGRAM GOALS

- To bring together, from diverse segments of the community, people with demonstrated leadership ability and a commitment and concern for the future of the local area.
- To provide an outstanding educational experience emphasizing critical social and community issues.
- To open a dialogue among current class participants and current community leaders.
- To challenge class participants to be active members of Lower Columbia Leadership Academy, and to apply their talents through volunteer service within local organizations.
- To develop a growing network of LCLA graduates as a “resource bank” of leaders whose contributions of knowledge, imagination, and energy are directed toward enterprises that benefit the Lower Columbia communities.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete each section of this application with clear, concise statements. Completed applications accompanied by **\$30 non-refundable application fee** will be accepted on an on-going basis until **5:00 p.m. Friday, August 1**, at the offices of:

Lower Columbia Leadership Academy
Kelso Longview Chamber of Commerce
1563 Olympia Way, Longview, WA 98632
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Website: www.KelsoLongviewChamber.org

The selection committee will make preliminary determinations based upon this application. No additional information, attached pages or any letters of recommendation will be considered. All information provided will be kept strictly confidential. A personal interview will be scheduled for finalists. Telephone confirmation of interview dates and available times will be provided by Lower Columbia Leadership Academy staff. For additional information on the program, please contact Norma Davey at the Chamber office.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Demonstrated commitment to bringing positive change to the Lower Columbia area through active community or business involvement;
- Demonstrated leadership ability and involvement;
- Interest in and awareness of issues affecting the Lower Columbia communities, and;
- Motivation to be an active member of the Lower Columbia Leadership Academy, supporting the planning and implementation of class days and volunteer opportunities (including homework, class projects, etc.)

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PERSONAL DATA

*Name: _____ Gender: _____

*Business Address: _____

*Home Address: _____

Preferred Mailing Address: Home Work

*Phone: Business _____ Fax: _____ Home: _____ Cell: _____

*E-mail: _____

Length of time in the Lower Columbia area: _____ Do you anticipate being in the area the next 3 years: _____

EDUCATION *(since high school)*

School:	Location:	Major/Degree/Specialization:
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

EMPLOYMENT *(if retired, give most recent history)*

Employer: _____ Date Hired: _____

Type of Business: _____

Job Title: _____

Brief description of responsibilities: _____

Previous positions and employers with dates listing most recent employer first:

Dates:	Employer:	Job Title:
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

What do you consider your most important career accomplishments to date?

COMMUNITY SERVICE

How much time each month do you commit to community, civic, professional, and other organizations?

Organization:	Purpose:	Responsibility:	Time Commitment:
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Describe your current **major** community service or leadership role at this time (preferably outside of your work environment):

Describe how you make a commitment to community involvement while creating a balance between your job and your personal life:

If you are not currently active in community service, what is your objective in participating in the program?

LEADERSHIP ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

In your opinion what are the three most important issues facing the greater Lower Columbia area today? What are your recommendations for resolving these issues?

Issues:	Recommendations:
1. _____	1. _____
_____	_____
2. _____	2. _____
_____	_____
3. _____	3. _____
_____	_____

What is the most significant leadership quality necessary to bring positive change within the Lower Columbia communities?

What do you believe you can offer to enhance the Lower Columbia Leadership Academy Class and future alumni activities?

What do you hope to gain from your participation in Lower Columbia Leadership Academy?

How did you become aware of Lower Columbia Leadership Academy?

Name(s) of LCLA alumni who referred you: _____



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SAMPLE CURRICULUM

Strengthening Leaders – Connecting Communities

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Leadership Principle</u>
September	Orientation	Leadership Academy Overview
October	Leadership in the 21st Century	Leadership Challenges/Leadership Success
November	Leadership & Communication Styles	Lead/Communicate more effectively
December	Maintaining Balance Facilitating Productive Meetings Class Projects Identification	Values; Ethics; Group Accountability
January	Intergenerational Diversity Community Awareness: Public Health Issues	Integrity; Personal Responsibility
February	Boardsmanship Speaking with Confidence & Clarity	Understanding; Fiduciary Responsibilities; Confidence
March	Community Awareness: Law Enforcement Drug, Hope & Juvenile Courts Conflict Resolution	Accountability; Respect
April	Community Awareness: Economic Development, Education (K - 12 & Post-Secondary) Arts	Trusteeship; Community Vision
May	Understanding & Influencing Government Working Effectively with People: Leading with Impact	Courage
June	Program Wrap-up Group Presentations Graduation	Congruence; Accomplishment