



Oxford-Lafayette Junior Leadership

Aware that the early development of leadership skills is essential to improve the quality of life for all City of Oxford and Lafayette County residents, the Oxford-Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce began this program twelve years ago. Through Junior Leadership, an attempt is made to identify young leaders in the Oxford High School and Lafayette High School, motivate them and assist them in sharpening their leadership skills, in the hopes that they will exert a strong positive influence on the future of Oxford and Lafayette County.

The participants will work together in a program that combines group study sessions and an actual community project that requires the use and development of leadership skills. Training sessions include leadership skills, team building, goal setting, community awareness, volunteerism and communication skills among other topics.

The program is restricted to 10th grade students from the city and county school districts. **Acceptance is based on completion of the attached forms by the assigned deadline of January 13, 2010 and the payment of \$45 tuition fee.** This fee covers the cost of food at each session, transportation, a program t-shirt, and graduation costs. The Chamber of Commerce offers sponsorships for any applicant in need of financial assistance.

Graduation requirements are based three criteria:

- 1) participation of each applicant in the community project.
- 2) attendance (Participants may not miss more than one session. The itinerary is included so applicants have a chance to plan for session dates before submitting the application form.)
- 3) ability to abide by the behaviors set out in the Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership Code of Conduct.

If you have any questions about the program, please call the Chamber of Commerce at 234-4651 and speak with Pam Swain. All completed application forms and tuition should be dropped off in your counselor's office, at the Chamber of Commerce (299 West Jackson Avenue), or mailed to:

Junior Leadership
Chamber of Commerce
Post Office Box 147
Oxford, Mississippi 38655

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2010 Application

I. Personal Data (please type or print CLEARLY)

Name of applicant _____ Preferred name _____
Home address _____ City, Zip _____
Home phone _____ Cell phone _____
Date of birth _____ School attending _____
Gender _____ M _____ F _____ T-shirt size _____
E-mail address _____
Parent's name(s) _____
Parent's cell/work phone numbers _____
Emergency contact & number _____

II. Activities

Honors and Awards _____

Extracurricular Activities (Clubs, Offices held, etc) _____

Sports _____

Community and Religious Activities _____

III. General Information

What do you plan to do when you graduate from high school? _____

Discuss briefly why you want to participate in the Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership _____

IV. Commitment

By submitting an application to the program, the applicant is indicating his/her willingness and ability to attend all sessions and to actively participate with other members in the field of projects. Participants may miss no more than one (1) session or they will be asked to withdraw from the program. Tuition fees will not be returned in a case where the participant is asked to leave. I have read the information on this application and if selected as a participant, I will commit the time and effort to the total training program.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Deadline: January 13, 2010

Return to Chamber of Commerce, 299 West Jackson Avenue
or mail to Junior Leadership, Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 147, Oxford, MS 38655

Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership

Parental Permission

I, the undersigned parent/guardian of _____, have read the information on **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** and am willing to have my child participate. **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** and its agents have my full permission and consent to transport and otherwise provide transportation for my child by public service bus, private automobile, vans or other appropriate means of transportation in connection with all sessions of **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** during the school year in which he/she is a participant.

Consent to Medical Treatment

I hereby give permission to any hospital or medical center staff member or physician to administer whatever medical emergency treatment may be required by my child should he/she be injured or become sick during any **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** program activity.

I hereby release and hold harmless **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** and the **Oxford-Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce**, its' officers and representatives involved in planning, organizing or presenting of **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** programming for any accident, injury, illness or damage in **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** program activities.

Parent/Guardian: _____
Please print

Parent/Guardian: _____
Signature

Date: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Primary Care Physician: _____ Phone: _____

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Code of Conduct

Each participant in the **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** is an exceptional young person. Therefore, expectations are high for each session throughout the year. To make sure that there is no misunderstanding about expected standards of conduct, you should be aware of several factors:

Your parents and/or guardians are responsible for your conduct while participating in Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership. All participants are expected to abide by the following standards:

1. To participate in all activities as scheduled. Missing more than one session will disqualify the participant from graduation.
2. To be on time for each session, remain until the session is ended and agree to leave the facilities at scheduled times only.
3. To utilize only transportation and facilities as assigned by **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** during each session.
4. To conduct yourself and dress in a manner appropriate to meet **Oxford-Lafayette Jr. Leadership** standards and follow a code of ethical behavior at all times during the program.
5. To refrain from having any friends or family visit during program class sessions. All cell phones should be turned off during sessions. No text messaging will be allowed during sessions.
6. To abstain from the use of alcohol, tobacco or drugs.

I have read and agree to abide by the above standards of conduct and understand that if I miss more than one session, I will forfeit my tuition and eligibility to graduate.

Signature of Participant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

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