



APPLICATION for CLASS OF 2025

DIRECTIONS:

- When complete, save and email your application to connect@leadershipwhidbey.com with "Application" in the subject line.
- For questions, contact the Program Manager, at connect@leadershipwhidbey.com

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Home Mailing Address: _____
(Street) (City) (Zip)

Primary E-mail: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____
(Name) (Phone)

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Business/Organization: _____ Title/Position: _____

Business Mailing Address: _____
(Street) (City)(Zip Code)

Business Phone: _____ Business E-mail address: _____

Number of years you have worked for this organization or company: _____

YOUR THOUGHTS AND PERSPECTIVES

What does leadership mean to you?

What do you want to learn about leadership, and why?

Please tell us about a leadership situation that you have experienced or observed that was meaningful to you.

Who do you want to be as a leader?

What would you like to give back to the community as a leader?

Leadership Whidbey aims to build a network of community leaders who can enhance their communication, problem-solving, and critical-thinking skills by sharing perspectives and working collaboratively. To help you think about this, please briefly respond to each question.

What do you believe are the three most significant challenges for Whidbey Island?

1.

2.

3.

What do you believe are the three most significant opportunities on Whidbey Island?

1.

2.

3.

TIME COMMITMENT:

Leadership Whidbey participants are expected to attend all sessions. In addition, Community Adaptive Learning Lab (CALL) participation is required, including regular meetings and work sessions outside of class days. Leadership Whidbey will allow absence due to an emergency and consider each request in advance. The program will review the performance of all participants with more than 8 hours of absence. Options, including being asked to withdraw from the class, may be enforced.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE 2024-25

Program sessions are held on Fridays from 8:15 to 5:00. There are two exceptions: Overnight retreats are scheduled for Tuesday-Wednesday, November 6-7, 2024 and May 7-8, 2025. Graduation is typically held in the late afternoon. **

DATE	TOPIC
October 25, 2024	“Beginning Our Journey” Orientation
November 6-7, 2024	Retreat: A Sense of Place
December 6, 2024	Community Adaptive Leadership Lab
January 3, 2025	Thriving Communities & Governance
January 31, 2025	Ecology Whidbey
February 21, 2025	Stewardship, Education & Equity
March 21, 2025	Economic Vitality
April 18, 2025	Arts & Culture
May 7-8, 2025	Racial Equity/Closing Retreat
May 16, 2025	Project Presentations/Graduation

ACADEMIC CREDIT in LEADERSHIP:

- Upon completing the Leadership Whidbey Program requirements and the Skagit Valley College registration form, each participant will receive a Certificate of Completion and be eligible for seven academic credits in leadership at no additional cost.

PROGRAM FEES

- A \$40 **non-refundable** application fee is due upon submission of your application. The fee must be received before your application is reviewed.
- Program fee:
 - Early Bird: **\$1500** for applications received **by** April 24, 2024
 - Regular: **\$1900** for applications received **after** April 24, 2024

Participants are recommended to pay a minimum of 10% of the program fee themselves. The participant must ensure that all program fee monies are paid by themselves and/or their sponsoring business or organization (or a previously arranged payment plan is approved).

Check one: _____% of my program fee and _____ % is being paid by my employer/organization.

_____ I am paying 100% of my program fee. _____ I would like to apply for financial assistance.

PROGRAM FEE ASSISTANCE

- Leadership Whidbey is committed to selecting participants who reflect the diversity of the Whidbey Island community. Assistance is available to those for whom financial need would be a barrier to participating in the program.
- A request for financial assistance will not impact the review of your application.
- Email the Program Manager at connect@leadershipwhidbey.com for additional information.

IMPORTANT DATES

Early Bird fees apply to applications received by April 24, 2024.

Final application date is **May 25, 2024**

The **\$40** application fee must be received before the application is considered.

Program fees are due by **September 15, 2024.**

COMMITMENT

I understand the mission of Leadership Whidbey. If selected, I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete this program, including class time, out-of-class time, and program fee. I understand that participation requires attending sessions and meetings regardless of where they are located. I understand that attendance at all class sessions and team activities is required. As a courtesy to other participants and leaders/speakers, I will arrive prepared and on time for each session and stay for the entire session. I understand that I may lose the opportunity to participate and not graduate from the program due to non-participation in expected activities. The program fee will not be refunded. I agree to follow all ground rules as developed by the class and my team and all policies and requirements of the program.

I understand the above commitment and agree to be bound by it by signing this application.

Applicant's Name (Printed): _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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[Click here to pay your \\$40 application fee.](#)