

Application Form

Deadline: November 21, 2014

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

E-Mail _____

By signing below, I (and my employer, if applicable, or school administrator for students) agree to the attendance requirements of the program. I understand that I am obligated to attend all sessions.

Signature _____

Date _____

For Youth Applicants only:

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Signature of School Principal _____

Leadership for



Developing Leaders with Vision for Today & Tomorrow 2014 - 2015

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead

What past participants say:

"I've learned much more about how to make a vision come to reality by sharing it with others and getting their input."

"It opened the door to getting involved with the community, which I love to do."

"This program helped me be a better communicator and learn how others see things differently."

"It's helped me in situations where I'm working with other agencies or working with other programs."

"I now have the tools to open my mind to a different perspective."

"I enjoyed having young people in the group. It helped me to grow."

University of Wisconsin, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin counties cooperating. UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA.

Program Benefits

- ▶ Enhance, develop and practice your leadership skills
- ▶ Identify and explore community issues and challenges
- ▶ Learn about Vilas County's resources, institutions, cultures and concerns
- ▶ Expand your business and community networks
- ▶ Gain confidence in your leadership roles at work, at home, and in the community

The VILAS Vision Leadership Program is a cooperative endeavor between the University of Wisconsin — Extension educators in Vilas County and Lac du Flambeau.

To sponsor a participant, or for more information, contact:

**VILAS Vision
Leadership Program**

Vilas County UW-Extension

Phone: 715-479-3651

You are invited !

Join this exciting opportunity for people who live or work in Vilas County. Now in its 10th year, this program is for people who want to be active participants and leaders in their local communities. This may be just the spark that you, or someone you know, needs to gain the confidence and knowledge to become more active and effective.

What's in it for You ?

- Develop personal and interpersonal skills
- Be exposed to a broad range of issues
- Learn more about Vilas County
- Develop confidence as a leader
- Improve decision-making skills
- Build your professional network
- Alumni activities following graduation

**Everyone
can benefit**



- Community group members
- Elected officials and public employees
- Business people and chamber members
- Organization board members
- Faith lay leaders
- Concerned citizens
- Parents
- Community volunteers
- Youth & youth-serving organizations

What can I expect from the Program ?

VILAS Vision Leadership is a seven month program from December to June.

- Full-day sessions are held on the first Wednesday of each month.
- Each session has a dual focus: an examination of issues facing the county and development of leadership skills.
- Participants have monthly reading assignments.
- Participants work in teams on community service projects.

The program is limited to 20 participants. Selections will be made based on the application submitted. Applications are due **November 21, 2014.**

Tentative 2014—2015 VILAS Vision Leadership Program Schedule

Date/Location	Program Issues	Leadership Skills
December 3, 2014 Trees for Tomorrow Eagle River	Introduction to Leadership & Personality Styles	Team Building & Community Analysis
January 7, 2015 Manitowish Waters Community Center & Incubator Building	Leadership in Local Government & Economic Development	Decision Making & Dealing with Change
February 4, 2015 Lac du Flambeau Natural Resources Facility	Natural Resources & Organizational Development	Meeting Management & Conflict Management
March 4, 2015 Cloverland Town Hall	Family Issues	Communicating Across Generations
April 1, 2015 Conserve School Land O' Lakes	Youth Issues	Youth Adult Partnerships Time Management & Problem Solving
May 6, 2015 Lac du Flambeau Info Center Lac du Flambeau	Diversity: Native Values and Culture	Building Inclusive Teams & Programs
June 3, 2015 St Germain	Commencement	Community Service Project Reports

Most sessions are 8:30 a.m.— 4:00 p.m., except June 3rd which is 2:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m.

What's my investment ?

- Early registration fee \$150 to the first 15, \$200 for others. Fee covers all materials and refreshments for all 7 sessions and is due with the application. Registration fee may come from participant and/or sponsors. Applicants concerned with cost may call 715-479-3648 to discuss scholarship options.
- Attendance is required at all sessions unless absence is pre-approved by the leadership team. Participants should make arrangements with employers or family to accommodate the commitment.

Please submit your answers to the following questions. You may e-mail your answers to chris.stark@ces.uwex.edu

1. What do you feel is the role or responsibility of a leader in the community?
2. What leadership roles have you taken or would you like to take in the future?
3. Vilas County is faced with a number of challenges. What are three issues that concern you and why?
4. What do you personally want to gain from your participation in the VILAS Vision Leadership Program?

Answer the questions above, fill out the application form on the other side of this panel, and send with your fee to:

**VILAS Vision Leadership Program
Vilas County UW-Extension
330 Court Street
Eagle River WI 54521**