



Preparing our future leaders

Leadership Program

The Sault Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership Program is designed to bring a group of diverse individuals together to undergo a series of educational sessions where they will become knowledgeable on topics that impact and define our community. These individuals are recognized as potential leaders in the community and will be equipped with information, resources and relationships to help shape the future of the Sault Ste. Marie area.

Applicants will be selected on the basis of community involvement, career background, work experience, motivation, attitude and leadership potential.

The objective of the Leadership Program is to:

- Identify participants who hold potential for community leadership
- Provide these leaders with community issues, resources and opportunities
- Increase the leadership skills of program participants
- Provide participants with opportunities to exchange ideas with each other and community leaders
- Encourage graduates to continue their community involvement and leadership in the Sault area

This 9-month program begins with a retreat weekend and continues monthly with a full day's session on given topics and wraps up with a development plan day. Graduation from the program will take place at the Chamber's Annual Dinner & Awards Banquet in February 2021. Each month, information will be presented from area professionals on the specified topic. Each session offers a variety of information, tours, hands-on experience and gives the participants an opportunity to interact with community leaders.

2020-2021 Program Session Topics Include:

- Friday/Saturday, May 8-9 Orientation
- Thursday, June 11 – Government
- Thursday, July 9 – Education
- Thursday, August 13 – Legal System
- Thursday, September 10 – Business Planning
- Thursday, October 8 – Economic Development
- Thursday, November 12 – Media
- Thursday, December 10 – Healthcare
- Thursday, January 14, 2021 – Wrap Up/Development Plan

Requirements:

- Registration deadline is April 14, 2020
- Program registration fee is \$400 per person and is **non-refundable**
- Each participant **must** attend the orientation and wrap up sessions
- No more than two (2) sessions can be missed