

What is Leadership Brentwood?

Leadership Brentwood is a program of the Williamson County Chamber Foundation, a nonprofit affiliate of the Williamson, Inc. Chamber of Commerce. The program is an intensive learning and networking opportunity. Class members meet with local decision-makers in many sectors, such as business, government, media, arts, education and entertainment. Leadership Brentwood provides access to the decision-makers and information that affects the lives of all who live and/or work in Williamson County.

What is my time commitment during the program year?

During the class year, you should expect to participate in the opening and closing retreats, all program days, the graduation ceremony and a small-group project. There may also be occasional "homework" assignments, such as a police ride-along.

What is my commitment after graduation?

Five class members will be elected to serve on the Steering Board for a two-year term. Class members are expected to plan the program days for the following year's class.

What are the program days like?

Each day begins at about 7 a.m. and ends at about 7 p.m. The exact timing for each day may vary slightly. Most days begin at Williamson, Inc. You board a bus that takes you to each site throughout the day.

What can I expect at the opening retreat?

In 2017 the opening retreat will be held at the Deer Run Retreat Center in Thompson's Station. The class will meet at Williamson, Inc. and ride together to the retreat site. The retreat will start on Friday morning, Aug. 4, and end in the late afternoon on Saturday, Aug. 5. You can expect to get to know your classmates through a variety of fun, team-building exercises as you learn more about the upcoming program year.

How much time does the small-group project require?

You can expect to spend 10 to 15 hours on the project with your teammates over the course of about seven months.

What are some examples of past small-group projects?

Examples of small-group projects that are highly visible in our community include the Leadership Brentwood Room at the Brentwood Library and the FiftyForward Martin Center. Other projects are noted at www.leadershipbrentwood.com.

How many LB graduates are there?

There are about 400 alumni. The first class of 15 members graduated in February 1991.

What happens if I miss a program day?

Your commitment to the program is critical to its success. Missing a program day, unless due to an emergency or death in the family, will result in your dismissal from the program.

How is the class selected?

The selection of class members is based on a variety of factors, including an interest in Brentwood and Williamson County, and a demonstrated commitment to the community. Ideally, each class will be comprised of leaders from a cross-section of the community, representing for-profit, nonprofit and governmental entities.

What are the costs involved?

Tuition is \$600 per person and covers meals, transportation and program materials. Limited financial assistance is available upon request.

What is the application deadline?

Applications available in April, 2017. All applicants will be notified of the selection decision by the first week of July.

What if I'm not selected?

We encourage you to reapply next year.



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Frequently Asked Questions

