



Leadership Somerset County 2023-24 Course Outline and Guide

Your Leadership Adventure Begins...

Leadership Retreat, Indian Lake Resort

Wednesday, September 20 and Thursday, September 21

Registration & Continental Breakfast: 8:30 am

Class Session begins: 9:00 AM

Breakfast: 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM; Class Session: 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM; Lunch: 12:30 PM

Adjourn: Sept. 20 9:00 PM, Sept. 21 2:00 PM

About the retreat: Dress is casual. All meals, snacks and refreshments will be provided during the retreat. Please inform us of any special dietary issues, prior to the retreat. Contact the Chamber for details at 445-6431. The retreat is extremely important part of the program, since it allows the opportunity to meet and connect with your fellow classmates, which has a profound effect on your leadership year.

Introduction to Community Leadership

Facilitated by:

Ron Aldom, Somerset County Chamber

Teambuilding Leadership Experience

Facilitated by:

Dr. Bill Rocks, Professor, Allegany College of Maryland

Class Projects

As part of the curriculum, the class will be divided into groups with each group responsible for a project. Details will be presented during the retreat on the specifics. The projects are designed to have a lasting impact and will focus on issues that affect our county and region. The projects must be underway and potentially completed by the end of the Leadership year. Periodic update sessions will take place during the year, as well. Ideas for projects are always welcome.

Class Assignments

We strongly advise you to explore our county and region through all means possible including, websites, visitation, social media and discussion. Come prepared to discuss issues you feel are important to the success of our county and region, as well as, what you see as strengths or weaknesses that promote or deter your personal and professional growth.

The goal of Leadership Somerset County is to give you an overview of aspects of the county through interaction with key leaders representing all facets of our county and region. Thus, you will be better prepared to step into leadership roles in your community and businesses.

Monthly Sessions

Attendance is MANDATORY. If for any reason, you cannot attend a session, you must contact Ron Aldom or a member of the Chamber staff prior to that session. You **MUST** attend a **minimum of 8 classes** and the Retreat to get your certificate of completion. Your employer/sponsor is updated on attendance. Meeting locations will be announced, prior to that specific session.

Wednesday, October 18 th 8 AM – 3 PM	Human Services/Community Non-profits/Civic Engagement
**Thursday, November 16 th 8 AM – 4 PM	Healthcare
**Wednesday, December 13 th 8:30 AM – 4PM	Judicial System & Local Government
Wednesday, January 17 th 8 AM – 4 PM	Business Development & Entrepreneurialism
Wednesday, February 21 st 8 AM – 4 PM	Economic Development
Wednesday, March 20 th 8 AM – 3 PM	Education & Workforce Development
Wednesday, April 3 rd 8 AM – 3 PM	Regional Leadership Session-Somerset County
Wednesday, April 17 th 8 AM – 4 PM	Agriculture, Energy & Natural Resources
Wednesday, May 15 th 8 AM – 4 PM	Our Heritage/Quality of Life Bus Tour Included
Wednesday, June 19 th 10 AM – 2 PM	Graduation Ceremony/Wrap up session

**DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE ALTHOUGH THE DATES AND TIMES
ARE SET AND SHOULD BE ACCURATE**