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**LEADERSHIP  
OGLETHORPE**

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**2020**

OCTOBER 1, 2019



Thank you for your interest in the future of our community!

The Oglethorpe Rotary Club has joined with the Oglethorpe County Chamber of Commerce and multiple supporting organizations and businesses to present the Leadership Oglethorpe program. The objective of Leadership Oglethorpe is to, in a rapidly changing economic environment, increase leadership capacity in our rural county. Also, because of Oglethorpe's location and proximity to Athens, Georgia, it has become increasingly more important for the county to develop a new generation of career minded leaders who will work to build entrepreneurship, networks, and community organizations that are critical to expanding employment opportunities in the county, as well as supporting a vibrant and healthy economy and community. While agriculture is the primary economic engine in Oglethorpe County, the current leadership is focused on rebuilding the central commercial core and refocusing citizen support of businesses, that generate both retail and service income in our county. In developing this generation of new leaders, we must provide vocational and financial literacy, thus creating a team mindset, and encourage entrepreneurship in such areas as farm to table marketing in surrounding retail areas of demand. The measurable outcomes will include: enhanced community networks and improved social capital through contact with fellow program participants and program facilitators; an increased application of leadership skills and new knowledge in community nonprofit, civic and corporate sectors; and participants will understand and be more willing to undertake leadership roles in the community.

The skill and knowledge transfer will involve multiple sessions over a 26-week period. The topics will include: Socio-demographic, Understanding Values and Diversity, Communicating Effectively, Economic Development, Making Group Decisions, Elected Officials, Building Communities Through Collaborations, Volunteerism/Nonprofit, Grooming Future Leaders, Education/Youth Development, Comprehensive Plan, Local Government, Leading Community Change, Community Growth, where do we go from here. All these topics are included in the curriculum of the Fanning Institute. In addition, the participants of Oglethorpe Leadership will be networked with, and mentored by members of the local community as well as individuals from across the state who will be involved in the Fanning Institute's program. Follow up support for sustainability will be conducted in conjunction with the Fanning Institute.

We encourage you to join in this effort and commit members of your organization to this initiative, helping to develop the future leaders of our community.

Please review the additional attached information and join us!

Attachments:

- ✓ Program schedule and topics
- ✓ Application for Program Participation
- ✓ Participant Agreement Form



# LEADERSHIP OGLETHORPE

 <p>J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA</p>	 <p>Rotary</p>  <p>Celebrating 25 Years of Service 1992-2017 to Oglethorpe County</p>	 <p>Oglethorpe County Commerce Oglethorpe County Chamber of Commerce countycommerce.org</p>
 <p>THE COMMERCIAL BANK</p>	 <p>OGLETHORPE COUNTY GEORGIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</p>	 <p>Centurion Poultry, Inc.</p>
 <p>Georgia Power</p>	 <p>OGLETHORPE COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM PROMOTING EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION</p>	 <p>UGA extension OGLETHORPE COUNTY</p>
 <p>FARM BUREAU INSURANCE</p>		 <p>Piedmont ATHENS REGIONAL</p>
 <p>Concerned Men Oglethorpe County</p>	 <p>Oglethorpe Childrens Academy</p>	 <p>Pinnacle Bank www.pinnaclebank.com Serving Customers, Strengthening Communities, Since 1934.</p>



## 2020 Program Schedule and Topics

- ✓ **Exploring Leadership** - January 7 and 8 (Tuesday and Wednesday)

Join us for the **Leadership Retreat** on campus at the UGA Fanning Institute and Continuing Education Center. Topics include *Teambuilding/Understanding Leadership* and *Effective Communications*. We will all develop an *Emergenetics Profile*.

- ✓ **Economic Development** – February 4 (Tuesday)

We will travel to the Centergy Center in Atlanta for this session hosted by Georgia Power Company.

- ✓ **Valuing Community Diversity and Local Education** – February 18 (Tuesday)

Superintendent Beverley Levine will host this session at the Oglethorpe County Board of Education offices. We will examine *Multigeneration Understanding* and visit our local education units and process.

- ✓ **Exploring Group Decision Making and Local Government** – March 10 (Tuesday)

Commission Chair Billy Pittard will host us as we develop our *Group Decision Making* skills, plan for the team project, and examine our Local Government and Brand. Tours of facilities and discussions with officials as time permits.

- ✓ **Additional Teambuilding opportunity** – TBD

- ✓ **Business and Industry including Agriculture and Forestry** – March 31 (Tuesday)

The Chamber of Commerce will host us at the Crawford Depot. Visits to various Oglethorpe businesses and agricultural sites. We will also spend time on the team project.

- ✓ **Exploring Community Collaboration** – April 21 (Tuesday)

We will focus on Community Development and the Non-profit activities in Oglethorpe County as we examine *Building Communities through Collaboration*.

- ✓ **Exploring Conflict and Healthcare** – May 12 (Tuesday)

Our focus will be on the Healthcare community and discuss *Managing Conflict*.

- ✓ **Exploring Change** – June 2 (Tuesday)

Our final meeting will focus on the future as we discuss *Leading Change*. We will set priorities for individual team members and the group after graduation.

- ❖ **GRADUATION** – Mid-June (Tuesday)





## APPLICATION for ADMISSION

**PLEASE CLEAR ALL SCHEDULE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR NOW**

All applications are confidential, and selection is anonymous. Please provide sufficient information allowing the Selection Committee to make a determination of your eligibility based on your current skills and commitment to community involvement. To ensure that those selected reflect the diversity of the community, you are asked to specify your sex, race, and/or ethnicity. All questions are optional.

### PERSONAL

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	NICKNAME (FOR NAME BADGE)	
BUSINESS / HOME (CIRCLE)	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP	
BUSINESS / HOME (CIRCLE)	PHONE	CELL	FAX	EMAIL
YRS. IN OGLETHORPE COUNTY	AGE	MALE/FEMALE	RACE/ETHNICITY	

### EMPLOYMENT (if applicable)

PRESENT EMPLOYER	DATE BEGAN
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### EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION (if applicable)

I approve the submission of this application, the time and financial commitment required to participate in this program.

SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYER	TITLE	NAME (PRINTED)	DATE
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Which of the following best describes your present position? Please check one.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS                               | <input type="checkbox"/> PROFESSIONAL   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION (PRIMARY, SECONDARY, HIGHER) | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT                             | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL SERVICE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY                               | <input type="checkbox"/> VOLUNTEER      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NON PROFIT                             | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER          |

How did you learn about Leadership Oglethorpe? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your most significant volunteer commitment/s to date:

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List your strongest leadership characteristics. How can you benefit from further leadership training & development?

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State what you expect to learn about Oglethorpe County – its resources and community leaders.

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What are the three most pressing issues facing the Oglethorpe community and why?

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Describe how you plan to apply your enhanced skills and knowledge to benefit the Oglethorpe community.

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