

2026 FACULTY DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (FDI)

Purpose of Faculty Development Institute (FDI): As a train-the-trainer focused institute, the primary purpose is to enhance training delivery skills and training techniques that will increase the quality of training and overall effectiveness of Lions leadership development programs. Given the limited FDI slots, acceptance into the institute is not guaranteed. Each applicant will be vetted prior to final selection to attend the training. Accepted applicants will be notified by the Curriculum Coordinator/Registrar. Applicants not selected will have their course fees returned.

FDI Qualifications and Expectations:

- Current active member of a club within the constitutional area.
- Not attended an FDI within the last five (5) years. (International or Local)
- Have an interest in improving training delivery skills.
- In-depth knowledge of Lions' culture, Lions leadership experience, and comfort using PowerPoint is preferred.
- **Expectations: Upon acceptance, participants are obligated to the following conditions.**
 - **Attend all sessions of the 3-day institute.**
 - **Arrange personal travel to and from the institute.**
 - **Complete all pre-assignments prior to arrival.**
 - **Arrange to be observed and evaluated conducting a local training event within 6 months of attending the FDI. The evaluation will be certified by the GLT MD Coordinator and Council Chair.**
 - **Upon "certification", assist in facilitating leadership training at the District, Multiple District, and area levels.**

FDI Sponsors: Multiple Districts 3 (Oklahoma), 9 (Iowa), 17 (Kansas), 26 (Missouri), and 38 (Nebraska).

WHEN: July 16-19, 2026 Registration is from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, July 16, 2026. Classes begin at 8 A.M. on Friday, July 17, 2026. Checkout by 2:00 P.M. on Sunday, July 19, 2026.

WHERE: Baker University, Baldwin City, Kansas 66006.

COST: US \$220 per attendee if payment received on or before April 30, 2026. Cost increases to US \$240 beginning May 1, 2026. Registration covers single occupancy room, nine meals, and all course materials. Lion attendees may request to room together, if desired. Mail application and full payment by check (**made out to GPLLI**) or Venmo (@Hans-Neidhardt) to PID Hans Neidhardt, 2744 E Ironstone St, Park City, Kansas 67219.

SPECIAL Needs: If you have special needs (meals, mobility, sight, hearing, etc.) please be sure to provide this on your application. Attached additional sheet if necessary.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: Download the fillable PDF application and provide complete information to the entire application before printing and submitting it. If you are given a hard copy of the application, please print the information legibly. **Note: Application deadline is June 1, 2026.**

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