

LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Leadership Academy is an elite educational and leadership training program created specifically for high school-age participants within the Washington County School District.

Five students from each local high school in Washington County (*Desert Hills, Dixie, Hurricane, Pine View, and Snow Canyon*) are hand-selected each school year to attend this unique program. Students may apply on their own—or—can be nominated by their teachers, counselors, advisors, coaches or other mentors outside the school. Students are selected on their achievements and leadership potential, as well as their service to their community. Students are not required to hold a leadership position in their school to apply. Anyone who will be a Junior or Senior during the 2008-09 school year, and a 3.0 or higher GPA may participate.

The class of 25 students participate in off-campus field trips with their peers, District and Academy Advisors, as well as industry leaders who share their knowledge and expertise for that day's topic. These monthly, 4 hour training sessions (*which take place during the school day and are officially-excused by the District*) are called "**Challenge Days.**" Students participate in interactive, hands-on activities as they network with local business professionals and learn to become successful contributors in their community.



MISSION STATEMENT

"To keep our outstanding youth in the county, we strive to build community leaders through networking with business and current leaders who will mentor the students by educating them on the benefits of our area while preparing them for future leadership roles."



CHALLENGE DAYS

Month	Topic & Activities*
September	Leadership Retreat & Training Get-to-Know-You Activities
October	UVSC Leadership Conference 2-Day Overnight Bus Trip
October	History Day Historic District
November	Business & Networking Jubilee of Trees luncheon
January	Economics & Infrastructure Trip to Waste Treatment plant
February	Justice Purgatory Correctional Facility
April	Careers & Social Responsibility School Service Project
May	Graduation Day

**Activities may be subject to change*

BENEFITS & BENEFACTORS

Leadership Academy is a non-profit organization supported by the Washington County School District and community leaders. Proceeds to run the program are garnered from local businesses and civic clubs who support the youth in our area and are committed to building future leaders for Washington County.

The costs to run a program of this caliber are extremely high. The students are asked to contribute a small fee of \$50 (*non-refundable*) to off-set a few costs and to show their dedication to the completion of the program.

Local civic leaders and business professionals who are alumni of Leadership Dixie, the parent organization of **Leadership Academy**, serve as a majority of the Board of Directors for the program and volunteer their time to develop the various Challenge Days and schedule food, presenters, facilities, and resources. In return, these Board members have the opportunity to mentor and support our kids in becoming effective leaders today...and for tomorrow.

Leadership Academy is an excellent opportunity for these select youth to begin building their network and key contacts in the local area. But more so, the sooner our youth understand how our community functions and how decisions are made to benefit our local populations, the more quickly they can become a valuable resource for building our future. And together, with their mentors from **Leadership Academy**, they can become productive leaders in Washington County as they foresee the benefits of raising their families here.



HOW TO APPLY

Open to anyone attending a designated high school in the Washington County School District who will be a Junior or Senior in the year 2008-09 (*you don't have to be in a leadership position*).

Applicant is required to have a current cumulative GPA of 3.0, and must maintain this GPA or higher during the entire school year. If a student receives an incomplete, NC, or a "No Grade" at any time during the 2008-09 school year, the student will be suspended from the program immediately and will not be allowed to re-enter without the written consent of his or her principal.

Applications are available through each high school's office and on-line on the District website:

www.washk12.org

- ✓ Upcoming Events (*see sidebar*)
- ✓ Leadership Academy Application

Fill-out and return application, school transcript, and letters of recommendation to your high school office by the deadline:

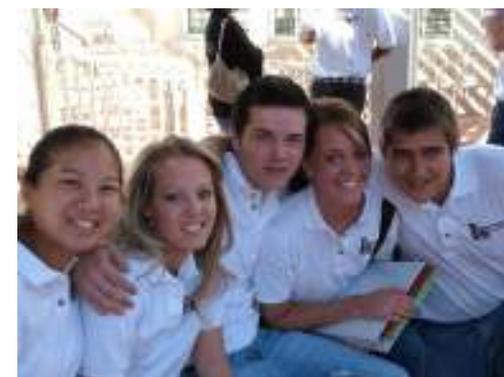
Deadline: Wednesday, May 14, 2008

Students will be notified by mail in June if they have been selected for the 2008-09 **Leadership Academy** class. Once students are admitted, they will be given a list of dates for the Challenge Days, program and contact information, and will be asked to provide a shirt size and \$50 (*non-refundable*) to secure their spot.

For most Challenge Days, students will be required to provide their own transportation. With the signing of the application, parents agree to accept liability in case of an accident, as this is strictly a voluntary activity.



BUILDING FUTURE LEADERS



IN WASHINGTON COUNTY

LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION
1070 WEST 1600 SOUTH, SUITE A101
ST. GEORGE, UT 84770
FAX: 435.634.1113



Friends



Fun!



Field Trips



FOOD!



Famous People (Artist, Roland Lee)