

LEADERSHIP MARION! STAFF APPLICATION 2017 - 2018

The Leadership Marion! Program

The Marion Area Leadership Program was initiated in 1991 by a group of citizens concerned about the lack of new leadership in the community. As Marion continued to grow and develop, it was felt that there would be a need for a continuous pool of individuals to fill diverse leadership needs throughout the community. Since its inception, several hundred individuals have participated in the Marion Area Leadership Program. Each of these individuals was sponsored by an organization in the community, typically the individuals' own employer. The diverse list of sponsors includes businesses, industries, educational institutions, health care providers, social service agencies, and government entities.

Marion Area Leadership Program participants attend nine sessions beginning with an opening retreat in September and continuing with day-long sessions each month through May. During this time, they have the opportunity to develop and implement new leadership skills as well as learn about the community of Marion. Community topics include local history, educational issues, governmental structures, social service needs, economic development, EnVISIONing the 21st Century activities and health care. Participants not only learn about these areas, but also have the opportunity to explore leadership possibilities and involvement. Presentations to the class are supplemented by tours and site visits. By the end of the program, participants have learned more than they ever imagined they could about their community. Also, many of the skills which have been developed carry over into the participants' work and personal lives.

Program fee is \$700 paid by Ohio State Marion Community Relations

Further questions about the program can be directed to or visit:

<http://www.marionareachamber.org/leadership.htm>:

Leigh Gribble 2016-2017 participant
Misty Talcot 2015-2016 participant
Amy Erickson 2014-2015 participant
Kathleen Clemons 2014-2015 participant
Myra Wilson 2013-2014 participant
Holly Jacobson 2012-2013 participant
Sharon Gattshall 2011-2012 participant
Bryan Sickmiller 2010-2011 participant
Shellie Shirk 2009-2010 participant

Name _____ Title _____

How many years have you been employed by Ohio State Marion _____

If you are accepted, you will need supervisor approval to attend the 9 full-day Friday meetings. Have you spoken to your supervisor about this opportunity and is he/she supportive of your attendance?

In 300 words or more explain why you want to be considered for Leadership Marion and how you feel this year long program would benefit you in your position at Ohio State Marion. Attach your statement to this form.

Return to Deanna Bachtell, MSAC chair by email to bachtell.1@osu.edu by **5pm on Friday, June 30th 2017.**