

LEADERSHIP KAUFMAN COUNTY APPLICATION

Leadership Kaufman County is seeking applicants for the 2025–2026 class.

Kaufman County Leadership Council, its parent organization, comprises Kaufman County elected officials, school superintendents, city managers, mayors, chamber officials, and economic development corporation officials throughout the county, dedicated to the future growth of Kaufman County.

2025/2026 Tentative Class Schedule (8:00 am – 5:00 pm)

DUE DATES

October 2	Orientation, Ropes (Palestine)		
Oct 21	Orientation Dinner 6 pm	Application	8/29/2025
Nov 6	Human Services	Notification of Acceptance	9/12/2025
Dec 4	Education	Tuition Due	9/26/2025
Jan 8	Economic Development	Tuition Late Fee (\$50)	10/1/2025
Feb 5	City Government		
Mar 5	County Government		
March 22-23	State Government in Austin		
Apr 2	Law Enforcement & First Responder		
May 7	Health Care		
June 4	Transportation & Graduation		

For the Austin trip – Event registration is handled by class fees. Hotel, some meals, and travel will be on your own.

Tuition \$650.00 (If received by 9/26/2025) Late fee of \$50 will be assessed on 10/1/2025.

CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION FOR SELECTION

APPLICANT NAME _____ DATE _____

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APPLICATION

Leadership Kaufman County is seeking individuals that can develop into future leaders for our community. The intent of the program is to develop new community leaders and enhance the skills and community awareness of existing community leaders. The goal of the process is to assemble a diverse group of individuals with a common interest in leadership.

Selection Criteria

- A. Evidence of Community Citizenship
- B. Evidence of professional leadership and commitment in your respective craft/business career
- C. Evidence that an applicant is seeking long-term involvement in Kaufman County with the intent to serve on boards, commissions, or any volunteer leadership roles.

Acceptance into the program is based on a subjective assessment of the information each applicant provides in this application. It is critically important to **diligently** answer the **entire application**. Because there are typically more applicants than can be accommodated in each class, applicants who are not accepted are encouraged to reapply.

Please type or print the application. (Please, no resumes.) A completed application must be submitted to 607 E. Fair St., Kaufman, TX 75142 by August 29, 2025.

I. Personal Data (Business address, e-mail, and cell # will be included in the class directory)

Name: Mr. Ms. Mrs. Dr. Other _____

Last

First

Middle

Home Physical/Mailing address

Street Number

City

State

Zip

Cell Phone _____ Business Phone _____ Birthday _____

E-mail _____

Business Mailing/Physical Address:

Street Number

City

State

Zip

Preferred location to receive mail? _____

Preferred method of communication? _____ Cell phone _____ text message on phone
_____ e-mail _____ Land line business

II. Education

School	Location	Dates Attended	Degree	Major

III. Employment

A. Current company, position and tenure

B. Previous occupation(s)

IV. Personal References

Name at least 2 persons in this community whom the selection committee may contact for additional information about you. Please list their name, business, title, address, phone, and e-mail address. Letters of recommendation may be attached.

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V. Community involvement/volunteer activities

A. Please describe your depth of involvement in community organizations. List the number of years you've been involved in each organization. Discuss your roles and responsibilities in each organization. (These are activities not connected with your job)

B. What do you do for fun/for yourself/in your free time?

VI. General

A. What do you hope to gain from your involvement in Leadership Kaufman County?

B. In your judgment, what are 3 pressing challenges facing Kaufman County today?

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- 2.
- 3.

Applicant's Signature

Employer's Signature

***PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT THE SELECTION PROCESS IS SUBJECTIVE IN NATURE.**

COMPLETE RESPONSES ARE OF GREAT ASSISTANCE TO THE SELECTION COMMITTEE.

To fulfill the basic requirements of Leadership Kaufman County, class members must show a dedication to the program through regular and timely attendance/participation. Applicants must review, agree to abide by, and sign the attached Class Membership Contract. This must be returned along with the application to be considered for the class.

Leadership Kaufman County Class Membership Contract

If selected...

- I will fully participate in Leadership Kaufman County.
- I will attend Orientation/Ropes Course on Thursday, October 3, 2025 (Tentative)
- I will attend the first Thursday of each month, November 2025 through June 2026, and will attend Kaufman County Day in Austin for a total of 10 classes as well as an Orientation meeting on October 21, 2025, 5-8 pm, and will participate in the class project. I have the authorization of the management of my company/organization for full participation.
- If I withdraw from Leadership Kaufman County any time after October 1, 2025, I am still responsible for the full payment of the class.
- I will arrive on time each day and be in attendance the full day.
- I will attend meetings assigned as homework/preparation for Leadership classes.
- I will participate fully in the class project (a service project for a Kaufman County non-profit)

- I will remit all fees to Leadership Kaufman County by September 26, 2025.
- If I am unable to comply with any of the above, I will notify Leadership Kaufman County as soon as possible and voluntarily withdraw from the program.

Note: Leadership Kaufman County requires a \$650 fee for a total of ten classes and an Orientation dinner. If a participant is not able to complete the program, the fee is non-refundable. A *tentative* schedule of activities is included with this application for review by prospective applicants.

One of the classes, State Government, is held in Austin. Registration fees for the Austin event are covered in the class fee. However, transportation and lodging will be the responsibility of the student.

The above commitment statement and the information submitted with this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____