

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

A group of 24 High school students are selected from three local high schools:

- 10 from West Albany High School
- 10 from South Albany High School
- 4 from Santiam Christian High School

The program focuses on students who are not currently involved in leadership class or activities but have leadership qualities that can be brought out by participation in such a program.

WHEN DOES THE CLASS MEET?

Albany Chamber Youth Leadership students meet once a month during September - May. Each month you will meet at the front of your building with a designated teacher from your high school. From there a bus provided by the Greater Albany Public School transportation will pick you up for the class.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF ME?

As a participant in the class you are expected to attend each day and fully participate in all tours by asking questions and learning all about Albany. During the year you will also be asked to interview and introduce one of our guest speakers.

Students who miss more than two days can still participate, but will not graduate with the class.

WHO SELECTS THE STUDENTS?

A selection committee is made up from a staff members from the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce and community volunteers. Each student will go through an application & interview process.

THOUGHTS ON LEADERSHIP

Leaders can be counted on to keep their commitment . . . to do their job in a dependable way. They treat their job as a sacred trust and they know how to motivate others to greater and greater accomplishment.

-Anonymous

Leaders are not born. They are made. They are made just like anything else. . . through hard work. That's the price we have to pay to achieve that goal or any goal.

- Vince Lombardi

Leadership: The art of getting someone else to do something you want done because he wants to do it.

- Dwight D. Eisenhower

Knowing that we can make a difference in this world is a great motivator. How can we know this and not be involved?

- Susan

Class of
2014-2015



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**Application Deadline:
Friday, April 24th, 2015**

GOAL:The Albany Area Chamber of Commerce wants to instill hope, inspire vision, and open the doors of opportunity and commitment in today's student population. We want to build bridges between our youth and their community, while encouraging them to take command of their future.

The Albany Chamber Youth Leadership program is designed to achieve progress toward that goal. Twenty-four students from South, West, and Santiam Christian high schools participate in a program that recognizes their leadership potential and expects them to commit to a positive leadership role within their schools and their community.

These students can make a positive difference in our community if we first make a positive step towards them.

PROGRAM:Youth Leadership participants will take part in a series of seminars, tours and lectures that will have an immediate and positive effect on them. The programs presented will challenge participants to become involved in the community and strengthen communication and problem solving skills.

The knowledge and experience the participants will gain will impact lives and enable growth, which will help shape a positive future for the Albany community.

INTRODUCTION & HISTORY OF ALBANY:

Kick off the sessions on an upbeat note. Get acquainted with your classmates and gain momentum for the remaining sessions as we take a trip back to Albany's beginning.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY:

Gain knowledge of business and industry as related to jobs and economic development. Find out how diverse Albany's industries are and how they effect our local economy.

LEARN YOUR LEADERSHIP SKILLS:

Explore what it takes to work in a group, learn about your leadership styles, and what kind of leader you are.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

An in-depth look at our city and county governments. Learn to work with key decision makers and take a look at the challenges for local government today.

STATE AGENCIES & GOVERNMENT:

Gain a better understanding of the resources, relationships and overall impact of State Agencies on the Albany community.

SOCIAL, CULTURAL, & RECREATIONAL:

Livability, social services, healthcare, and recreational programs and organizations which improve the area are emphasized.

VOLUNTEER DAY:

You will find out how to get involved by volunteering and effectively using your talents and abilities to make Albany an even better community. You will review the year and share ideas about the community.

AGRICULTURAL AND WOOD PRODUCTS:

Classes will stress the diversity of our agricultural system and the impact of the wood products industry on our local economy. Get a good look at the expanding foreign markets in both areas.

LEARNING JOB SKILLS:

You will get a chance to shadow a career of your choice. A chance to find out what it takes to succeed in your chosen profession.
