



**CLASS XXVIII**

**Presented by Miami Regional  
Chamber of Commerce**

# LEADERSHIP MIAMI

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**Today's Leadership is Tomorrow's Success!**

### WHAT IS LEADERSHIP MIAMI?

Leadership Miami is a program sponsored by the Miami Regional Chamber of Commerce. The program develops talents and broadens perspectives of present and future community leaders by providing them with practical information concerning community problems and issues as well as businesses and industries and their impact upon the community.

Leadership Miami is designed to stimulate and develop community leaders. The program hopes to develop a sense of community stewardship in the participants which can influence citizens throughout the county.

Leadership is the prime force that makes things happen in a community. An informed, committed and involved leadership will provide Miami with the necessary foundation to improve its economic climate; raise the standard of living for county residents; and create enthusiasm in people with ideas and talents who can lead our community toward solving future challenges.

### PROGRAM CRITERIA

- ♦ Must live or work in the Miami or Ottawa County area.
- ♦ Must have the desire and ability to take on a future leadership role.
- ♦ Must make the commitment to attend all class sessions.

### SELECTION PROCESS

Leadership Miami participants are chosen based on the above criteria. An application process is required to ensure that each class consists of participants from diverse backgrounds. After the application is received, each applicant will be required to participate via zoom or in-person interview with members of the Leadership Miami Planning Committee.

Due to size restrictions of the Leadership Class, some candidates may not be selected this year. Normally only one person per business is allowed to participate, however exceptions are sometimes made based on circumstances. Since a major criterion of the selection process is diversity in the class, some candidates who might meet the selection criteria may not be selected on first application. If not chosen, the applicant is encouraged to re-apply in subsequent years.

### ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT

The Leadership program is a ten-session program. Attendance is very important to the success of the program and those accepted must be willing to commit to attend all sessions. Under emergency circumstances, one class may be missed. If more than one session is missed, elimination from the program may result. However, steps must be taken to determine continuance in the program by providing a written request to be excused from the session. Continuance in the program will be determined by the Leadership Miami Planning Committee. In addition, the first session (Orientation/Team Building) and Trip to the Capitol are mandatory sessions.

### TUITION

**All accepted applicants must pay the \$450 tuition by August 29, 2025.** Non-payment will result in being dropped from the program.

## SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE

There is a Leadership Miami Scholarship Program to assist those (individual, organization or company) in need with a scholarship valued at a portion of the tuition and based on financial need of applicant. \*Please be sure to note your interest in Scholarship Assistance on the application.

## APPLICATION DEADLINE

**Your application must be received by 5 p.m. July 28, 2025.**

## APPLICANT INTERVIEW

Each applicant will be required to participate in a program interview process. The interviews will be conducted between August 5-8, 2025. (This is subject to change based on interview team/participants schedules).

## CONFIRMATION OF PROGRAM ACCEPTANCE

All applicants will be notified by August 15, 2025 via email or mail as to whether or not they have been selected as a participant in Class 28.

## I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE WITH ABOVE STATED CRITERIA/GUIDELINES

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## EMPLOYER'S COMMITMENT

This applicant has the approval and support of this business/organization to attend Leadership Miami.

*Employer: Please note that there is an **ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT**. The Leadership program is a ten-session program. Attendance is very important to the success of the program and those accepted must be willing to commit to attend all sessions. Under emergency circumstances, one class may be missed. If more than one session is missed, elimination from the program may result. Class member must present a written request to be excused from session. Determination will be made by the Leadership Miami Program Committee. **In addition, the first session (Orientation/Team Building) is a mandatory session.***

Employer's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Name of  
Business/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*RETURN THIS PAGE WITH APPLICATION**

**Application should be returned to:**

Miami Regional Chamber of Commerce

11 S. Main St., Miami OK 74354

Or email to: cmorris@miamiokchamber.com

## **Leadership Miami XXVIII Confidential Application**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Business Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Job Description: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Years with Company \_\_\_\_\_ # Years as a Resident of Miami/Ottawa County? \_\_\_\_\_

### **Personal Info**

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

**Leadership Activities: include school organizations, clubs, awards, honors etc.**

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**Community Involvement: list community, professional, religious, business etc.**

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**Why do you wish to participate in Leadership Miami?**

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**What are your expected outcomes from the program?**

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**What Leadership Skills would you like to strengthen?**

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**Scholarship Interest:** ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

**State reason(s) for needing scholarship assistance**

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## SCHEDULE OF SESSIONS

Sessions will begin approximately at 8:30 am and end by 4:30 pm with the exception of the Trip to the Capitol session. All sessions will convene at the Miami Regional Chamber of Commerce office located at 11 S. Main St. Miami, OK, unless otherwise stated in your reminder emails.

DATE	PROGRAM SESSIONS
September 18-19	Orientation/Team Building Session (MANDATORY)
October 9	History/Tourism
November 13	Government - City/County
December 11	Non-Profit/Team Project/Christmas Party
January 08	Economic Development - Part 1
February 12	Economic Development – Part 2
March 3 or 10	Trip to the Capitol (This session is dependent on State Legislature's schedule. You will need to secure both dates on your calendar until after the first of the year Jan 2026).
April 9	Education
May 14	Agricultural
June 11	Health & Wellness
June 16	Graduation Ceremony   Evening Event