



Dear Leadership Lincoln Candidate:

Leadership Lincoln is one of more than 2,000 nationwide programs designed to develop emerging leaders. Our mission is to identify, enlighten, encourage, and retain leaders of diverse backgrounds, occupations, and cultures for the purpose of enhancing the quality of leadership in our communities. Our program exposes leaders to the realities, problems, and opportunities of Lincoln County, the Mescalero Apache Reservation, and, in general, southeastern New Mexico.

Below is the 2009-2010 Leadership Lincoln schedule. Generally, our one day sessions occur on the second Thursday of the month. The February 2010 session includes an over-night stay in Santa Fe, NM. This schedule will be updated prior to the September 10, 2009 Class Orientation.

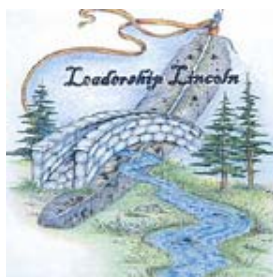
Thursday September 10, 2009	Class orientation
Thursday, October 8, 2009	Public and private education
Thursday, November 12, 2009	Quality of life issues
Thursday, December 10, 2009	Municipal and county government 101
Thursday, January 14, 2010	Economic development and Lincoln County history
February 2010 (TBA)	Operation of State government, including a trip to the State Capitol in Santa Fe, NM
Thursday, March 11, 2010	Mescalero Apache Tribe and Reservation
Thursday, April 8, 2010	Environment and natural resources
Thursday, May 13, 2010	Class wrap-up and graduation

The Leadership Lincoln Program includes: group dynamics and methods used to promote teamwork in any community; identification and observation of special interest groups; how the region is affected by and contributes to national and international trends; how a strong vision can be created; methods of identifying and soliciting resources for assistance; methods of dealing with public opinion and the media; vital issues impacting our area; avenues to promote networking; and leadership skills development.

To apply to the 2009-2010 Leadership Lincoln program, please complete the attached application. This application is due on June 15, 2009 (post-marked). Submit your completed application to: Leadership Lincoln, P.O. Box 2731 Ruidoso, NM 88355.

Sincerely,

Rich Lurix
Chairman – Board of Directors – Leadership Lincoln.



APPLICATION FOR LEADERSHIP LINCOLN

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Leadership Lincoln is to identify, enlighten, encourage, and retain leaders of diverse backgrounds, occupations, and cultures for the purpose of enhancing the quality of leadership in our communities.

INSTRUCTIONS

It is important that each section be fully completed. Type or print in black ink. Add additional pages if necessary. The application must be postmarked by June 15. Please submit completed applications to: Leadership Lincoln, PO Box 2731, Ruidoso, NM 88355.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Leadership Lincoln Selection Committee seeks to identify those individuals most likely to utilize their leadership abilities for the long-term benefit of Lincoln County and Mescalero. Participation is open to all citizens of the county and Mescalero. Leadership Lincoln will seek a class of 15 leaders who represent the various geographic regions of the county and Mescalero from the public, private, and non-profit sectors. Special consideration will be given to ensure diversity of race, gender, and occupational background. Areas of representation will include: business and professions, religion, education, labor, social services and government. Since the selection process is competitive with a limited number of participants, applicants are encouraged to reapply to subsequent programs if not initially accepted. Completion of this application does not ensure candidates' acceptance in the class. Selection of participants will be based upon this application and on an effort to have a demographically diverse class.

PROGRAM TUITION

Leadership Lincoln program tuition is \$300 and covers all program costs and meals. Participants are responsible for their own transportation to the session locations.

PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITIES

Programs are scheduled approximately every month from September through May. Attendance at all sessions is required and participation at the opening retreat is mandatory. If a participant misses 12 hours of sessions during the year, the participant will be dismissed from the program. Participants not adhering to the attendance requirements will be dropped from the program with no portion of the tuition refunded. Involvement in Leadership Lincoln does not end upon completion of the program. As part of the alumni program, graduates of Leadership Lincoln are expected to assume active roles in local activities and help identify participants for future Leadership Lincoln programs.



APPLICATION

I. PERSONAL DATA

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Male/Female: _____

Home Address: _____

Business Address: _____

Work Phone: () _____ Home Phone: () _____ Mobile Phone: () _____

Fax #: () _____ Email: _____

If Married, Partner's Name and Occupation: _____

How long have you lived in Lincoln County? _____

II. EDUCATION (college(s), advanced degrees and/or specialized training)

Name/Location of School	Degree/Certificate	Area of Interest
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

III. EMPLOYMENT

Present Employer: _____

Type of Organization: _____

Job Title: _____



What do you do, and what do you consider your most significant contribution or achievement related to your occupation so far, or to your past occupation if retired?

IV. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

(Please list all the organizations and activities with which you are involved or have been a member. Indicate your role in the organizations.)

What do you consider your most important accomplishments in community/business or civic activities?



What community awards or recognition have you received?

In what kinds of additional volunteer/community activities would you like to become active in the future?

V. CONTRIBUTION TO LEADERSHIP

What specific skills/knowledge do you hope to gain from your participation in **Leadership Lincoln**?

What specific skills/knowledge do you hope to contribute to the **Leadership Lincoln** program?



REFERENCES

Please list three people who are knowledgeable about your leadership performance and potential.

Name	Telephone	Email Address

TUITION

If accepted into the Leadership Lincoln program each participant and/or employer will be billed for the tuition fee of \$300 that covers all program costs, transportation during sessions, and meals. The deadline for payment is the first day of the session.

Who will pay the tuition fee? *(circle correct answer)*

I will pay.

My Employer will pay.

I hereby certify that the information in this application is complete and correct. I hereby give Leadership Lincoln permission to share this information for the purpose of public relations and reports.

Signature

Date