



Laurinburg/Scotland County Area Chamber of Commerce

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Junior Leadership Program Accepting Applications

High school sophomores and juniors looking to expand their leadership potential can do so with the 2011-2012 Junior Leadership Scotland program. The Laurinburg/Scotland County Area Chamber of Commerce is accepting applications for this year's class.

The purpose of the program is to instill leadership qualities in participants by exposing them to many different facets of life in Scotland County. Participants for Junior Leadership will meet monthly to learn about county history, public speaking, education, industry, and local non-profit agencies. The program will begin with a team-building workshop, and end with a trip to Raleigh to meet with local legislators.

Civic responsibility is another aspect of the program, and students must complete 20 hours of individual community service. The group will also need to complete a community service project as a team.

One participant will be selected to attend the General Hugh Shelton Leadership Challenge, which is a leadership workshop through North Carolina State University. The program is a six day experience to help students expand their knowledge and skills of what it takes to be a leader. Students have the opportunity to participate in team-building activities, low and high ropes courses, service projects and nightly activities to get to know others participating in the program.

Junior Leadership Scotland is open to any high school sophomore or junior that has a permanent address in Scotland County. Applications for Junior Leadership are available from both the Chamber offices and the Scotland High School Scholarship Coordinator, Mrs. Toni Blount. Application deadline is September 23. Students with completed applications will be selected on a first come, first served basis. Applications are also available online at www.laurinburgchamber.com. For more information about the program, contact the chamber at 910-276-7420.

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