



EVAN C. NOLTE  
**Leadership Sioux Falls Class 32**  
a program of the Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce

**CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION**

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applications and attachments must be received at the Chamber office by **5 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2017.**

Mail or deliver to:

**Leadership Sioux Falls**  
c/o Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce  
200 N. Phillips Ave., Suite 200  
PO Box 1425, Sioux Falls SD 57101-1425

*\*\*\*If you are downloading this application, please be sure to save it to your desktop first, reopen it and then fill out the fields. If you don't save it to your desktop, your responses won't be saved on the screen.\*\*\**

COMPLETED APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Application and six copies of all pages
- Two letters of recommendation
- Signatures on application form
- Application fee: \$25

APPLICATION FEE

\_\_\_ \$25 Attached

There is a \$25 non-refundable application fee due with the application. Checks can be made payable to the Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

TUITION (Do not send payment with this application. If you are selected to participate, an invoice will be sent separately.)

Tuition is \$495 and is non-refundable. Tuition covers all program costs including materials, meals, graduation banquet and Sioux Falls Day at the Legislature. Failure to meet the time commitment will result in being dropped from the program and tuition will not be refunded.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address where you prefer to receive LSF-related correspondence: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Hometown: \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you lived/worked in the Sioux Falls area? \_\_\_\_\_

How many times have you previously applied for LSF? \_\_\_\_\_ When did you last vote? \_\_\_\_\_

Provide the following information and answers to questions on separate sheet(s) and attach to this form.

EMPLOYMENT/EDUCATION (Do not submit a resume)

1. Employment history (Professional work experience for the last five years only)
2. Education (include high school, college, business/trade school or specialized training)
3. List involvement with any community organizations from the past two years–present.

QUESTIONS

1. Leadership exists in many forms in the community. Please list and describe three leadership experiences, in order of importance to you, where you believe you played an important role. (Limit 250 words)
2. Talk about a single issue in our community, and explain how you can impact that issue as a community leader. (Limit 250 words)
3. Briefly outline your future personal and career goals, and explain how being selected as a participant in Leadership Sioux Falls would impact those goals. (Limit 250 words)
4. What's your elevator speech? (Limit 50 words)

## BIOGRAPHY (Do not submit a resume)

The program is a lot more fun than the application, so please give us a short bio in narrative form that includes an example of something unique about you. (Should you be selected to participate, this bio will only be used in the LSF 32 Class Directory)

## REFERENCES

Please secure two letters of reference. Attach them to your application or have them mailed/mailed to: Leadership Sioux Falls Selection Committee, 200 N. Phillips Ave., Suite 200, PO Box 1425, Sioux Falls, SD 57101-1425 or [kscholten@siouxfalls.com](mailto:kscholten@siouxfalls.com). Applications submitted without reference letters will be considered incomplete.

## SCHEDULE

The schedule of required sessions is as follows:

- **Session 1–Personal Leadership**  
Wednesday, October 11, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
- **Session 2–Get to Know Sioux Falls**  
Wednesday, November 8, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- **Session 3–Education & Government**  
Wednesday, December 6, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- **Session 4–Public Safety**  
Wednesday, January 10, 3-8 p.m.
- **Session 5–Sioux Falls Day at the Legislature**  
Wednesday, February 21, All Day, Pierre
- **Session 6–Business & Industry**  
Wednesday, March 7, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- **Session 7–Service**  
Wednesday, April 4, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- **Session 8–Graduation**  
Wednesday, May 2, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

## COMMITMENT

Attendance at all Leadership Sioux Falls sessions is a requirement. The Leadership Sioux Falls Executive Committee reserves the right to drop any participant from the program who has unexcused absences.

I understand the commitment of the Leadership Sioux Falls program and, if selected to participate, I will attend all eight sessions in their entirety and will commit the time and energy necessary to make it a successful experience. I understand that I am expected to serve and strengthen my community upon completion of this program. I also understand that submission of the application does not guarantee selection into Leadership Sioux Falls, Class 32.

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*Applicant Signature*

*Date*

**EMPLOYER:** This application has the approval of this organization and the applicant has our full support, which includes the time required to participate in Leadership Sioux Falls.

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*Employer Signature*

*Date*

### **Thank you for applying for Leadership Sioux Falls, Class 32!**

The information on this application is used solely for the Leadership Sioux Falls selection process. All applications will be reviewed on a confidential, competitive basis. We strive to select a cross-section of participants from all sectors of the community. We are looking for individuals with a sincere commitment, motivation and interest to serve in the community. However, due to the strength of the applicant pool and the limit of 30 participants, some applicants who might otherwise meet the selection criteria may not be chosen this year. Such applicants are strongly encouraged to apply for the program again. For more information, contact Kayla Scholten at (605) 373-2002 or [kscholten@siouxfalls.com](mailto:kscholten@siouxfalls.com).