

# LEADERSHIP WYLIE



## CLASS XXIII 2026 - 2027

### Application & Commitment Packet

**Please deliver the completed application by July 31, 2026 to:**

Wylie Area Chamber of Commerce c/o Leadership Wylie  
307 N Ballard Ave | Wylie, TX 75098  
(972) 442-2804 | [info@wyliechamber.org](mailto:info@wyliechamber.org)

#### **Program Overview**

The Leadership Wylie program provides leaders with a socially conscious and civically engaged leadership toolkit, as well as the opportunity to apply their knowledge through experiential assignments. Participants graduate with the skills, experiences, and connections to lead Wylie into the future.

Interested individuals should have at least one of the following qualifications:

- Live within the Wylie City Limits or Wylie ISD boundary;
- Work in Wylie;
- Work for a company (outside of the city) that impacts Wylie; or
- A member of the Wylie Area Chamber of Commerce.

The purpose of the Leadership Wylie program is to motivate and encourage civic leadership and to develop personal leadership characteristics and skills. Participants are introduced to the leadership of our community and Collin County and the functions of our local governments. Participants are exposed to numerous activities, individuals, and agencies that impact our community. Each participant is also expected to be actively involved in the choosing and implementation of a class project that benefits the community. Graduates are encouraged to actively contribute to the growth and future of Wylie through personal service.

#### **Leadership and Personal Development Training**

Leadership Wylie provides employers with a comprehensive program to identify and train potential leaders within their workplace. Small, medium, and large companies alike benefit from the program. Our program assists, encourages, and motivates employees to develop important leadership skills. Individuals participate in hands-on learning activities that help identify and strengthen personal values, visions, and lifelong goals. In short, this program produces leaders and enriches the lives of all who actively participate in the Leadership Wylie Program.

## **Civic Leadership Training**

### Objectives:

- To inform the participants about the history, government, social needs, and opportunities for participation in Wylie;
- To introduce the participants to, and establish dialogue with, each other and current leaders of the community;
- To encourage active participation in future activities which contribute to the growth and betterment of Wylie; and
- To provide current and future employers with a source of knowledgeable and trained leaders who will have a positive impact on the business community.

### Time Commitment:

- Participants meet the Third Thursday of the month (unless otherwise noted)
- 8 hours per month in person for 10 months
- Every participant shall attend every session in its entirety. Emergency absences shall be reported to the program facilitator as soon as possible.
- The Opening Retreat is mandatory.
- Additional time will be required outside of class time.
- If a participant misses more than 18 hours, he/she will not graduate and no refunds will be issued (the Board reserves the right to make exceptions in special circumstances).

### Goals:

- Learn from inspirational Wylie community, city, county, and state leaders in a "behind the scenes" look at the community.
- Topics include: history, government, operations, education, social needs, and opportunities to get involved locally.
- Gain hands-on experiential leadership workshops focused on management, inclusive leadership, and effective communication.
- Understand the positive impact of doing business in Wylie as well as the tools and resources available.
- Embrace opportunities to connect with local community and business leaders across a variety of industries while building a close-knit alumni network.
- Encourage participation and contribute to the growth and betterment of the Wylie community.

## **Program Outcomes**

### Participants:

- Enhanced level of preparedness for the next phase of leadership, including effective management and communication techniques.
- Deeper, broader connections across the city.
- Development of a clear vision for how they can make an impact in their organization, sector, and community.
- Increased knowledge of and involvement in Wylie.
- Socially conscious and civically engaged leadership abilities.

### Employers:

- Participants will learn strategic management and communication skills to bring teams closer to reaching goals.
- Participants will positively represent your business or organization as the city's next generation of trusted leaders.
- Participants will collaborate and lead teams with increased efficacy and commitment.



**LEADERSHIP WYLIE CLASS XXIII  
2026 - 2027 Enrollment Application  
Deadline: July 31, 2026**

Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (month/day): \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Prefer to be Contacted at:  Work  Personal

Check all that Apply:

I live in Wylie City limits or Wylie ISD boundary  I work in Wylie

I work for a company that impacts Wylie  I am a Member of the Wylie Area Chamber of Commerce

1. What do you consider to be your best skill, career, or personal achievement to date?

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2. Have you participated in volunteer work?  Yes  No

If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Where would you like to focus your future community or volunteer involvement?

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4. Why are you interested in participating in Leadership Wylie?

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5. What specific skills and/or knowledge do you want to gain from your participation in Leadership Wylie?

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6. Are you a graduate of another Leadership Program?  Yes  No

If yes, please list the city and year: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Do you have any allergies or dietary restrictions? (for planning purposes only)

Dairy Free  Gluten Free  Vegan  Vegetarian  Other \_\_\_\_\_



**EMPLOYER APPROVAL** (if applicable)

Do you have the full support of your employer for the time required to participate effectively in Leadership Wylie?  Yes  No

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**REQUIREMENTS AND EXPECTATIONS**

1. **Every participant shall attend every session in its entirety.** Any schedule conflicts or emergency absences shall be reported to the program facilitator as soon as possible. If a participant misses more than 18 hours, he/she will not graduate and no refunds will be issued (the Board reserves the right to make exceptions in special circumstances).
2. The Opening Retreat is mandatory -- no exceptions.
3. In addition to scheduled classes, additional time will be required outside of class time:
  - for the chosen class project;
  - to attend a Wylie City Council meeting OR a Planning & Zoning meeting; and
  - to attend a Wylie ISD OR Collin College Board of Trustees meeting.
4. If accepted, you acknowledge that it is encouraged to carpool during sessions to network with classmates and it is necessary to participate in any facilitator organized transportation.
5. There will be transportation provided for the Austin trip. This is a one-day trip. You must ride the bus to and from Austin, unless other arrangements have been approved through Chamber CEO.
6. Please plan for each of the 10 sessions to run from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.
  - ✓ I understand the above attendance requirements for this program (please initial) \_\_\_\_\_
7. If accepted, **Leadership Class XXIII Tuition is due IN FULL** prior to the Opening Retreat in September (\$950 -- Wylie Area Chamber Members; \$1,150 -- Non-Chamber Members).
8. If accepted, a portrait-quality photo of you will be requested or a digital photo will be taken for publicity purposes.
9. For consideration of acceptance into the Leadership Wylie Class XXIII, this completed application must be submitted to the Wylie Area Chamber of Commerce office by 5:00 PM on July 31, 2026.

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**COMMITMENT** (please read carefully)

**I UNDERSTAND THE GOALS, REQUIREMENTS, AND EXPECTATIONS OF THE LEADERSHIP WYLIE PROGRAM.**

**IF SELECTED, I WILL FULFILL ALL OBLIGATIONS AND WILL PAY MY TUITION UPON ACCEPTANCE. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE COMPLETED THE FOREGOING APPLICATION AND THAT ALL THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS TRUE AND CORRECT.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_