

Are you ready to
be a LEADER?

The deadline for application is
August 15, 2023

To receive an application or for more
information please email
LEADtuscola@gmail.com or visit
www.leadtuscola.org.

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Judge Nancy Thane
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**A Process to Lead,
Educate and
Develop
tomorrow's leaders
today for
Tuscola County**



*The 2020 LEAD Tuscola participants at
Camp Kettenen for Orientation*

LEAD, EDUCATE, AND DEVELOP

The Program

A leader, simply defined, is someone who has the ability to influence others. A leader, with appropriate goals, a positive attitude, and a willingness to take risks, is a great asset in the effort to strengthen and transform a community. They provide the vision, motivation and skill to plan the future of communities and guide them through difficult times.

LEAD Tuscola is a 10-month program to introduce Tuscola County residents to programs and opportunities for local leadership. Individuals have the opportunity to participate in a series of thought-provoking educational sessions, starting with an overnight retreat and continuing with one day sessions every month.

Our hope is that, following graduation, participants will take the knowledge they have gained and use it to become more involved in the continuing growth of Tuscola County.



Janet Penn smiles as she graduates from LEAD Tuscola.

LEAD Tuscola should appeal to those of diverse backgrounds who are interested in the past, present and future of Tuscola County and are willing to become involved in the County Community.



The 2014 LEAD Tuscola class sponsored several assemblies at area high schools about social media, "Think Before You Share".

The Focus

The program is designed to provide each participant with knowledge of a wide variety of programs and opportunities available in Tuscola County.

At the orientation retreat, Friday, September 29, 2023 (beginning at 1 p.m. at RAM (Ralph A. MacMillan Center in Roscommon, MI) and ending Saturday, September 30, 2023 at about 2 p.m.), individuals will participate in sessions designed to acquaint them with each other and prepare them for the 8 class sessions. During monthly sessions, participants gain knowledge of the history of Tuscola County, local government including the courts, law enforcement, business and economic developments, nonprofit organizations, human services, and Tuscola County's educational opportunities.

The Commitment

Participants are asked to attend the orientation retreat and a minimum of seven other sessions to qualify for graduation. Tuition for the program is \$625 and may be paid by the individual and/or the participant's employer/sponsor.



Judge Nancy Thane with the 2016 LEAD Tuscola participants.

Your Invitation

Participants may be nominated by an employer, coworker, acquaintance, or may nominate themselves. Participants will be selected from a written application based on their demonstrated leadership ability and potential. Individual accomplishments and a desire to assume expanded responsibilities of leadership will also be important criteria in the selection process.