



Peanut Leadership Program Application 2008-10 – Class VI

Web Site: <http://www.southernpeanutfarmers.org>

Program Objective

To provide intensive training opportunities, develop and improve leadership skills and industry understanding for Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi and Texas peanut growers.

Sponsorship

The Peanut Leadership Program is an education project of the Southern Peanut Farmers Federation sponsored through a grant from Syngenta Crop Protection.

Curriculum

Activities are structured to give participants a thorough understanding of the U.S. peanut industry. Participants spend approximately 20 days participating in field trips, meetings with industry leadership and professional development training concentrated in the following program areas: government affairs, peanuts & international markets, policy development, professional development, research & marketing, and U.S. peanut industry.

Eligibility Requirements

Candidates must:

- 1) Derive their primary livelihood from farming and currently producing peanuts.
- 2) Be between the ages of 27 and 45 on or before July 1, 2008.
- 3) Agree to attend all sessions (approximately 20 days of travel), except in time of illness or family emergency.
- 4) Provide the following items:
 - a) Completed application.

Cost: Candidates cover local transportation to and from meeting. (i.e. Transportation to airport and to local events.)

Program Calendar

There are five sessions throughout a two-year period. Session dates & activities are finalized at least 30 days to departure. **Tentative dates** for the 2008-10 Class follows:

<u>Session & Date</u>	<u>Location & Purpose</u>
Session 1 – July 2008	Panama City Beach, Fla. – Orientation & Training
Session 2 – Fall 2008 or Spring 2009	Southeast Session in Ga./Fla./Ala./Miss.
Session 3 – Summer/Fall 2009	Texas
Session 4 – Feb/March 2010	Washington, DC
Session 5 – Summer 2010	Graduation—To be determined

Mail your completed application to your state contact:

APPA – Randy Griggs, P.O. Box 8805, Dothan, AL 36304 334-792-6482 rgriggs@alpeanuts.com	MPGA – Mike Steede, P.O. Box 738, Lucedale, MS 39452 601-947-4223 mikes@ext.msstate.edu
FPPA – Ken Barton, 2741 Penn Ave. Suite 1, Marianna, FL 32448 850-526-2590 ken@flpeanuts.com	TPPB – Shelly Nutt, 4205 North I-27, Lubbock, TX 79403 806-687-6363 shelly@texaspeanutboard.com
GPC – Don Koehler, P.O. Box 967, Tifton, GA 31793 229-386-3470 don@gapeanuts.com	

Applications must be postmarked no later than June 1, 2008.

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Full Name:

Preferred Name/Nickname:

Home Address:

Home Telephone:

Office Telephone:

Mobile Telephone:

FAX:

E-mail Address:

Birthdate & Birthplace:

Marital Status:

Spouse's Name:

U.S. Citizen: Yes No

Children:

Children names:

Answers to questions below may be listed on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Have you previously applied for the program? Yes No
2. Education: *List all schools attended, including high school, college and/or short courses:*
3. Leadership Positions and Organizations: *(List the leadership and policy-making positions you have held. Indicate past and current offices and memberships held in organizations, including high school, college, civic and government affiliations; the level (local, county, statewide, etc.) of these positions; and dates served.*
4. List any honors or awards you have received:
5. Why would you like to participate in the Peanut Leadership Program (200 words or less)?

Do you agree to attend and participate in program activities and sessions? Yes No

Signature: _____ Date: _____