



**2009/2010
LEADERSHIP & CHARACTER
AWARD APPLICATION**

Must be received by March 31, 2010 in order to be considered.

**Send to:
Award Review Committee
c/o Lehigh Acres Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 757 - Lehigh Acres, FL 33971-0757
Fax 239-368-0500**

The Lehigh Acres Chamber of Commerce Leadership and Character Award Program will give awards to worthy high school seniors who are Lehigh Acres residents or who attend a Lehigh Acres High School and have made a commitment to furthering their education. This award is weighted on the applicant's character and integrity. We are looking for candidates who exhibit leadership skills and high levels of moral value.

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Email address: _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

High School you attend: _____

Program/Trade/College/University you plan to attend and your course of study & educational plan:

Cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale (weighted): _____

Age: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name: _____

Honors/Awards you have received: _____

Describe the school activities in which you have participated and note any leadership positions that you have held in any activity or class.

Employment History (beginning with the most recent)

Employment Name and Phone

Dates

Position

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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

List any hobbies or special talents you have.

List service activities in which you have participated, such as tutoring, community service, and/or volunteer work (non-credit only).

Essays:

Please write a brief essay on the following topics.

- 1- Reflecting on your life, explain how you exemplify good character and moral ethics, and how that has impacted your Lehigh Acres community.
- 2- What employee qualities/attitudes do you feel are necessary? What is the difference between a good employee and an exemplary one?
- 3- One of the long-term goals of Lehigh Acres is to have a good balance of businesses - industrial, entertainment, services, retail, etc... In your opinion, what businesses are still needed in our community, and how would this business best be recruited and sustained?

Recommendations:

Provide **TWO** letters of recommendations using the form provided. These should be from a teacher, guidance counselor, employer, or other community service leader. Do not have them write a letter – only use the form provided.

Application Checklist

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Please be sure you submit all required elements.

- ___ 1- First 3 pages of application completely filled out
- ___ 2- Two Recommendations Forms completed
- ___ 3- All 3 essays completed



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Rate this Applicant's Leadership Abilities and Skills using the Scale below:

- 0 for unknown**
- 1 for weakness**
- 2 for standard**
- 3 for strength**
- 4 for above standard**
- 5 for exceptional**

- _____ Applicant knows self, values and skills, his/hers strengths and weaknesses.
- _____ Applicant is confident of meeting most challenges.
- _____ Applicant learns from others and can apply
- _____ Applicant can identified strength and motivate others do their best.
- _____ Applicant possesses stamina, energy, tenacity, and enthusiasm for his/her work.
- _____ Applicant has the courage to do what they think is right, regardless of his/hers critics and detractors.
- _____ Applicant possesses high integrity and honesty.
- _____ Applicant is an active, effective listener.

_____ Applicant sets and achieves goals.

_____ Applicant has a healthy sense of humor, laughs at self and keeps cynicism and sarcasm in rein.

_____ Applicant maintains an open, warm relationship with others, encouraging them with praise and genuine respect of their views and feelings.

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_____ Applicant elicits information and ideas by asking questions.

_____ Applicant helps groups maintain discipline and direction toward achievement, while suggesting ways in which all members of a group can participate.

_____ Applicant initiates ideas, actions, solutions, and procedures.

_____ Applicant communicates ideas effectively.

_____ Applicant seeks information and clarification to shed light on ideas and suggestions.

_____ Applicant analyzes the idea, task or process, developing an understanding of each piece and its relationship to the whole.

_____ Applicant identifies the sources of difficulties.

_____ Applicant summarizes for the group, restating progress and offering a decision or conclusion for consideration.

_____ Applicant has good organizational and time management skills

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