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OUR NEXT AG LEADER



The leadership program has undoubtedly changed my life, the skills that I learned have made me a better husband, father, and employee.

Zach Taylor
Helena Agri-Enterprises, LLC

Prior to participating, I thought it would help develop my ability to share a passion for agriculture. I never dreamed this program would challenge me to evaluate "authentic self", increase my respect for the diversity of others, and provide hands-on experience to address problems currently facing agriculture. On a weekly basis I draw on the experiences and training and know it will serve as a cornerstone for my future.

Beth Farrell

NC Dept of Agriculture & Consumer Services



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What our
graduates say...



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The program meant a lot to me. Growing up on a tobacco farm in the 80's, I can see how our world is forever changing. The leadership program recognizes that we need strong leaders to cope with those changes. The program first teaches you to master yourself. Then you sharpen your strengths & conquer your weaknesses. The one constant is change & with these leadership tools taken from the program, you will not fear change.

James Lamb
Prestage Farms and Farmer

Our proven leadership program prepares you for a top role in Agriculture in just two years.

Applications for the 2020-2022 program will be taken starting February 1st, 2020. Check our website for more details.

Participants are chosen through a competitive review and interview process. Approximately 25 applicants will be chosen for the class beginning in October, 2020.

What you'll do in our two-year program:

Seven three-day sessions in NC focused on personal and civic leadership development.

Study tour to Washington, D.C. to learn about agricultural policy.

A domestic study tour to learn about U.S. agriculture.

An international study tour focusing on global agriculture.

The N.C. Tobacco Trust Fund Commission Agricultural Leadership Development Program began in 1984 as a leadership program for flue-cured tobacco farmers. Today, it is a nationally-recognized program for agriculturalists of all kinds who come to us to become strong leaders.

With more than 250 graduates from our program, we encourage the development of personal and civic leadership skills, including mastering self, conflict resolution, crucial conversations, negotiation, and team building. Participants experience in-depth personal leadership assessments and coaching to assist in understanding the results.

The program is funded by a \$5 million endowment from the North Carolina Tobacco Trust Fund commission and other sponsors. For more information, please contact:

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The leadership program helped me realize that I'm not just a number or a minority, but a voice. It has helped me become more willing and accepting of serving in a leadership role.

Der Holcomb, NC Cooperative Extension

