



2022 Program Schedule, Topics and Locations

Thursday, January 13, 2022 (3:00 – 7:00 pm) Getting Acquainted

K.O. Lee Aberdeen Public Library

Participants will meet at 3:00 pm and get to know each other with 2022 program facilitators giving brief overviews of the sessions to come. The class will then join other community leaders and Leadership Aberdeen alumni at the Business After Hours mixer at the Agtegra Innovation Center.

Friday, January 14 (9:15 am – 4:00 pm) Authenticity

K.O. Lee Aberdeen Public Library

The class will hear from community development organizations in the morning about their missions and goals. Later, Dr. Thom Flamboe will take participants through a self-assessment process and discuss authenticity. Participants will discuss self knowledge, self acceptance, self development and self assertion.

Tuesday, January 18 (5:00 pm – 9:00 pm) Community Building/Class Project

Agtegra

We hear about Agtegra and their role in building up the communities they serve from Jane Kuhn. The class discusses the various communities each of us "serve" and how these connections create better versions of ourselves. The class participates in a SWOT analysis of the community to begin discussions on a potential class project the class will focus on in the coming weeks.

Tuesday, January 25 (5:00 pm – 9:00 pm) Community Building/Class Project

Sanford Health

We continue our discussion on the communities we each serve. We also tour Sanford Health and hear from CEO Ashley Erickson and staff on the importance of community building. The class continues project discussion.

Tuesday, February 1 (5:00 pm – 9:00 pm) Reason

Dacotah Bank

Staff and Leadership alumni of Dacotah Bank discuss reason in leadership and how to determine which positive actions will produce the positive we reactions we want. Participants work through two paths, reason and avoidance, which puts their communication and team skills to the test.

Tuesday, February 8 (5:00 pm – 9:00 pm) Advocacy

Glacial Lakes Energy

Participants will tour Glacial Lakes Energy and hear from Director of Operations Pat Hogan about the company and their advocacy efforts to promote the ethanol industry. Participants will be challenged to discover what they advocate for in their personal and professional lives.

Saturday, February 12 (10:00 am—12:00 pm) Legislative Cracker Barrel

Kessler's Champions Club—2nd Floor of the Barnett Center, NSU

Participants have the opportunity to hear from South Dakota Legislators from Districts 1, 2, and 3 at the 2nd Legislative Cracker Barrel to be held in the Kessler's Champions Club at Northern State University.

Tuesday, February 15 (5:00 pm – 9:00 pm) Resilience

Presentation College

We'll tour Presentation College and learn about resilience from PC staff. The ability to weather challenges in both your personal and professional lives is vital to your growth as a leader.

Thursday and Friday, February 24 & 25 Aberdeen Day at the Legislature

Pierre, SD

We're taking a **2-day trip** to see our **legislative process in action** at Business Day at the Legislature and Aberdeen Day at the Capitol! Participants will discuss legislative issues and their impact to our state, attend the business day caucus, meet with Governor Noem, and promote the Aberdeen community at the Capitol.

Tuesday, March 1 (5:00 pm – 9:00 pm) Purpose

3M Company

We will take a tour of the 3M plant and hear from 3M management on how they define their purpose and determine best methods for favorable outcomes. Participants discuss how defining your purpose, personally and professionally, keeps you focused on your goals.

Monday, March 7 (4:30 pm – 8:00 pm) City Government and History

City Council Chambers/Community Room/Dacotah Prairie Museum

Participants meet with the Aberdeen City Council and have the opportunity to discuss community issues. They attend the city council meeting and hear from Mayor Travis Schaunaman. The class will also tour the Dacotah Prairie Museum.

March 15 (5:00—9:00 pm) Gratitude

Avera—lower level of State Street Medical Square

Staff of Avera St. Luke's will take us on a tour of their facilities. We will also hear from Avera management and alumni on Gratitude and how they believe experiencing and expressing gratitude transforms an organization and community. The class will discuss the importance of gratitude and how to watch for gratitude inhibitors.

March 22 (5:00—9:00 pm) Conclusion

NSU

It's a Wrap! Staff of Northern State University will take us on a tour of their campus and we will learn how to weave together all the Positive Leadership concepts/skills developed through the 2022 program.

March 29 (5:00 pm) Graduation

Best Western Ramkota

The graduation ceremony and dinner will be held at 5:00 pm. Employers, family and friends are invited to attend.