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### **Rush County Leadership Academy Now Accepting Applications for 2005/2006 Class**

Rushville: The Board of Directors for the Rush County Leadership Academy (RCLA) announced today that they are now accepting applications for participation in the 2005/2006 Leadership Class which will begin in September 2005. The application is available at the Rush County Chamber of Commerce, 315 N. Main Street, Rushville, IN. Applications are also available at the Mayor's Office, Rush County Community Foundation, Rush-Shelby Energy, MainSource Bank or from any of the RCLA Board members.

Applications are to be mailed to the Rush County Leadership Academy's P.O. Box 622, Rushville, IN 46173 and should be postmarked no later than August 15, 2005. Applicants should include a tuition check in the amount of \$300 or a request to be considered for a scholarship. All applicants will be notified by September 1, 2005 as to whether or not they have been accepted into the Academy for the 2005/2206 Class.

Any adult who lives or works in Rush County is eligible to apply. The Board is seeking a diverse group of individuals who are interested in becoming more involved in the Rush County Community. No prior leadership experience is necessary.

It is anticipated that some 16 participants will be chosen to attend the 2005/2006 leadership training program consisting of 9 sessions (one meeting per month) with the opening orientation meeting in September and culminating with graduation ceremonies in May 2006.

Session topics will include team-building, collaboration & group decision making, public speaking, listening skills, board participation and community awareness, etc.

For more information or to request an application, contact Ms. Pam Leisure, Recruitment, Rush County Leadership Academy at (765) 932-2880 or email the Academy at [leadership@rushdsl.com](mailto:leadership@rushdsl.com).

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