FAQs FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Lead Ohio Visionary Leaders Pilot Program

Q: What is Lead Ohio?

A: Lead Ohio is an enterprise-wide leadership development program that provides the "State of Ohio Voice" for supervision, management, and leadership. It is a multi-tiered program designed to strengthen and develop skills and competencies needed for consistent leadership effectiveness.

Q: What is the Lead Ohio Visionary Leaders program?

A: It is a State of Ohio executive leadership development program that is designed to build and strengthen enterprisewide leadership capacity via unique learning experiences. The program focuses on critical executive leadership skills needed in an ever-changing environment.

Q: Who is eligible for the Visionary Leaders program?

A: State of Ohio senior and executive level leaders (pay range 16 and above), who manage and lead others, are eligible.

Q: What are the focus areas for development?

A: The pilot program focuses on the following development areas: DISC Style; strategic leadership; coaching and developing others; and diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Q: How were the focus areas determined?

A: A cross-agency workgroup was formed in January 2021. The group gathered data from leaders who completed a competency-based needs assessment as well as from leaders who participated in several facilitated focus group sessions.

Q: Are there any pre-requisites or pre-work for the Visionary Leaders program?

A: Yes, there will be reading materials, short videos, and group activities prior to the beginning of the program. Participants will be expected to complete self-assessments throughout the program to explore their skills and become more self-aware of areas needing to be strengthened.

Q: How does a leader enroll in the Visionary Leaders program?

A: Once participation has been confirmed by your agency human resources administrator, you will be pre-enrolled by the Ohio Department of Administrative Services (DAS). Enrolled participants will receive an approval notice and a calendar invite from Ohio Learn. In addition, a Microsoft Teams invitation will follow from the DAS Learning and Talent Development team.

Q: When does the Visionary Leaders program start and end?

A: The pilot program one-hour orientation begins July 12, 2021. Sessions start July 14 and run through September 15.

Q: What is the time commitment for the program?

A: The average time for completing each of the five sessions is 3 hours, per session. Pre-work, videos, assessments, and activities will require an average of 1.5 hours for the five sessions.

Q: What are the expectations for those who participate in the Visionary Leaders Pilot Program?

A: Participants will be expected to attend and actively participate in all sessions, complete pre-work, assessments, reading materials, short videos, activities, discussions, and personal journaling, which will support the learning experience.

Q: What should I do if I miss a session?

A: Participants can view a make-up video that will be accessible from Ohio Learn.

Q: When will the full Visionary Leaders program be launched enterprise-wide for enrollment?

A: Once the pilot program is completed, fully evaluated, and adjustments are made, the full program will be launched enterprise-wide during the first quarter of 2022.

