

Engaged Partnering: Join the new OSU Extension *Leadership Network*

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Poster Objectives:

Viewers will learn about this new network of leadership practitioners, educators, and researchers who are connecting and sharing resources. They will learn about opportunities to connect in several topical areas.

Intended audience:

Educators, researchers, staff, faculty, and others interested in sharing dialogue, teaching, ideas, and energy around the broad topic of leadership.

Abstract:

Would you like to be better connected with colleagues (across campus and across Ohio) who are working on leadership programming?

We have just launched a new participatory knowledge network of innovative people, programs, and resources focused on developing high quality leadership in the individuals, organizations, and communities we serve. This **Leadership Network** offers a virtual means of meeting, exploring, and sharing ideas for leadership initiatives and working groups that will ultimately benefit our outreach and engagement work across the university and the state.

Background:

Many of us work or teach in the leadership arena. We share a common interest in developing, supporting and sustaining individual, organizational, and community leadership programming. But doing so requires multi-disciplinary and multi-stakeholder engagement. Information about best practices, models, successes, and results from pilot projects are needed.

The main goal of this new network is to provide resources, collaboration opportunities, and collegial interaction to build or improve leadership programs.

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Network Design & Description:

Our nascent network presently consists of five (5) thematic working groups:

- **Intersections of Leadership Theory & Practice:** Are we including theory as we teach to underpin our practical (hands-on, community or classroom focused) programming? Can we engage at a deeper level?
- **Leadership program delivery:** New approaches? Online? Audiences? Groups?
- **Internal leadership development:** Professional development for OSU Extension educators (250+ across Ohio), as well as on-campus faculty and staff in partnership with the OSU ACEL Leadership Center. Foundations of practice components.
- **Cultural competencies / diversity:** How might leadership programming intersect here?
- **Evaluation & Follow-up:** How do we know we engaged clients at higher learning/cognition levels (Fink/Bloom/etc).

