**VA AWWA/VWEA Leadership Academy 2020-2021 Application  
Letter of Support**

**Leadership Academy Background:** The Leadership Academy is the newest VA AWWA/VWEA initiative developed for individuals in the industry of all ages interested in leadership topics including moral and ethical leadership, emotional intelligence, people styles, project management, and more.

The Leadership Academy is organized into a yearlong course that will kick-off at Water JAM 2020 and will conclude at JAM 2021. 

The course will entail:

* Committee involvement – participants will join a committee and help plan an event or get involved in committee activities.
* A kickoff workshop at JAM2020
* (4) 1-hour Remote Leadership Sessions
* (4) All day in-person workshops: three workshops in rotating locations throughout Virginia, and a concluding workshop and graduation at JAM2021.

**Program Cost and Inclusions:**

The VA AWWA/VWEA Leadership Academy will require a fee of $700 per participant. This cost will include:

* Kick-off meeting at WaterJAM 2020 (JAM20 registration not required)
* Three (3) all day workshops with breakfast, snacks, and lunch
* WaterJAM2021 Registration where the conclusion meeting will take place

Program cost will not include:

* Transportation costs to workshops
* Any lodging expenses
* WaterJAM2020 registration costs (Participants may attend the kickoff meeting at JAM 2020 without registering for JAM.)

​​Invoices for the Leadership Academy will be sent to applicants after acceptance to the course and must be paid in full before the kick-off meeting at WaterJAM2020.

**Instructions:** The Letter of Support should be completed by the applicant’s current supervisor. The Letter of Support must be submitted with the other application materials (Membership Application or Member ID Number, Resumes, Letter of Support) as a part of one (1) package to VA AWWA/VWEA.

For applications to be considered, VA AWWA/VWEA must receive all complete materials by the application deadline, June 26, 2020. Applications should be completed electronically and submitted by email to VA AWWA/VWEA ([admin@vaawwa.org](mailto:admin@vaawwa.org)). Leadership Academy Membership Application, VA AWWA/VWEA Membership Application or Member ID Number, Resumes must be submitted in one package to VA AWWA/VWEA.

**Letter of Support Inclusion:** Please provide the following information:

Supervisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor Email and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* How long have you worked with the applicant?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* How would you describe your work experiences with the applicant?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Why do you think this applicant is a good candidate for the Leadership Academy?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Supervisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_