

Rice Leadership Development Program Application Deadline Oct. 4

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The deadline for submitting applications for the 2009 Rice Leadership Development Program is Oct. 4. The program gives participants a comprehensive understanding of the U.S. rice industry, with an emphasis on personal development and communications training.

During a two-year period, class members, comprised of five rice producers and two industry-related professionals, attend four one-week sessions designed to strengthen leadership skills. Participants are selected by a committee of agribusiness leaders who

evaluate the applications; review recommendation forms and conduct personal interviews with the finalists. Participants must be 25-45 years of age at the time of application and derive their primary livelihood from some aspect of the rice industry.

John Deere Company and Syngenta sponsor the program – managed by the USA Rice Federation – through a grant to The Rice Foundation.

For more information, an application and recommendation forms, visit the leadership development program Web page. Δ