

Leadership Pipeline

Mentee Application Form

Due June 15, 2008

Application to the RMAFSA Leadership Pipeline is open to individuals from RMAFSA member institutions. Mentees will be selected by the Leadership Pipeline committee based on the applicant's own merits as presented in the application and supporting documents. The committee seeks representation from a cross-section of the Association with diversity and balance in areas such as occupation/position, institution type and individual attributes. The Leadership Pipeline Committee looks for:

- Commitment & motivation for service in state and RMAFSA associations.
- Ability to make the time commitment.
- Individuals who will add to the program and association's leadership through diversity of experience and perspective.

Applicants must have the full support of their direct supervisor and employer. Individuals may nominate themselves, but must provide evidence that the employer will allow time for participation, including phone meetings, conference calls and attendance at the RMAFSA Fall Conference.

Participants are required to attend the Leadership Pipeline Seminar, which is the official initiation of participation in the program. Mentees will attend the Leadership Pipeline Seminar held in conjunction with the RMAFSA Fall Conference. Attendance is expected for all phone meetings and conference calls. Participants absent from one monthly event and the required attendance at the Leadership Pipeline Seminar, offered at RMAFSA Fall Conference will not graduate.

Class size will be limited to 20 mentoring pairs. Selection of participants will be based on criteria specified on the application form. Application is due June 15, 2008. Notification will be made by July 15, 2008. Applicants are required to submit a letter of recommendation from his/her direct supervisor.

Please type or print

I. Personal Data

Name:

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Address:

City, State, Zip:

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone:

Business Address:

City, State, Zip:

Business Phone: _____ Business Fax:

Business e-mail:

Occupation or job title:

Years in financial aid: _____ Years in RMASFAA: _____

Do you require any special accommodations?

II. Leadership Information.

This section of the application is completed by attaching no more than two 8 1/2" X 11" typewritten sheets. Please answer all questions in the order given, numbering each and using the heading. Use as much space for each question as needed, but do not exceed the total of two pages. Please put your name at the top of each page. Please do not submit a standard resume.

- 1) **Interest.** What is your expectation of the RMASFAA Leadership Pipeline? Please tell why you want to be selected for this program and how you will use what you learn.
- 2) **Employment.** Describe your current job including your responsibilities.
- 3) **Activities/Organizations.** List your involvement in institutional, state and RMASFAA organizations and associations, including volunteer work, business and professional groups. Please include offices held, honors earned and the extent of your involvement.

III. Commitment

A. Employer. This candidate has my full support to participate in the RMASFAA Leadership Pipeline. I am aware of the time commitment involved in his/her effective participation and I agree to support him/her in work release time and with financial resources to attend RMASFAA Fall Conference or RMASFAA Summer Institute training at least one time.
(Please include a letter of recommendation for the applicant).

Institution Name:

Supervisor Title:

Supervisor Signature: _____ Date

B. Applicant. I understand the goals and commitments expected of me as a participant in the RMASFAA Leadership Pipeline. If selected, I will devote the required time.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date:

Return completed application and required documents to:

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