



**References:** You must have two reference forms completed by administrators, faculty, or staff that have knowledge of your leadership and personal abilities. If you were nominated by an administrator, faculty member, or staff member, that person will count as one of your references, so you will need to ask only one additional person as a reference, List that person here: \_\_\_\_\_. If you are a self-nominee, you will need to list two individuals to serve as references: (1) \_\_\_\_\_ and (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (Faculty and staff have been sent a copy of the Reference Form to complete if asked.)

**Your Commitment:**

The SLA will require a commitment of time and effort on your part. You will be expected to ...

- (1) attend and actively participate in all of the scheduled sessions,
- (2) contact Dr. Little regarding any absence and make up any session that you may have to miss due to unforeseen circumstances,
- (3) complete a professional portfolio,
- (4) plan and complete at least one service learning project connecting you more closely to your college and your community, and
- (5) serve as a positive ambassador for CVCC in all that you say and do.

- Sessions will be devoted to identifying your particular leadership traits and style and developing skills in these areas: conflict resolution, critical thinking and decision-making, communication, leadership ethics, team building and collaboration, and dealing with difficult people.
- Speakers from CVCC and the business community will present sessions on socio-cultural issues and other relevant leadership topics.
- SLA Session Dates: Tentative first- semester meeting dates are October 18 and 25, Nov. 1 and 15, and Dec. 6 from 4:00-6: 00 pm. Enter these dates on your calendar pending your selection. Second-semester dates will be determined in consultation with those selected as SLA 2011-2012 participants.
- Commitment Statement: "If selected, I am willing to commit the time and effort required to be a meaningful and active participant in the 2011-2012 Student Leadership Academy." Your typed or written signature indicates your commitment:

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Your application will be assessed according to a specially designed rubric; therefore, it is important that you complete as thoroughly as possible all parts of the application. If you have any questions concerning the SLA or this application, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Little via e-mail or at (828)-327-7000 ext. 4411.

**Submit a paper or electronic copy of this application no later than Friday, September 23, to Dr. Dianne Little, Phillips Leadership Institute Director, at [dlittle@cvcc.edu](mailto:dlittle@cvcc.edu). (Office location: Institutional Advancement -- IA 321D)**