



## 2010 Blue Earth County Citizens Academy

### Participant's Guidelines

In order to make the Blue Earth County Citizens Academy the best possible learning and sharing experience for all participants and instructors, these guidelines have been established. We ask everyone to please abide by these guidelines.

- 1.) All participants and speakers are highly encouraged to have fun.
- 2.) Treat all other participants and speakers as you wish to be treated.
- 3.) Questions or comments should primarily be directed to the session speaker(s) and only to another participant for purposes of clarification.
- 4.) Side conversations between participants are discouraged during presentations.
- 5.) Political or partisan conversations are commentary and are discouraged.
- 6.) When a speaker has responded to a question, it is advised that the next student be given a chance to ask their question or make a comment.
- 7.) Any participants who monopolize the conversation or debate will be asked to save any special comments or opinions until after the session ends and to discuss the issue in private with the speaker or other student(s).
- 8.) The Academy sessions serve only as guidelines. Individual speakers have the option of changing their presentations with updated material and related subject topics.
- 9.) The session moderator shall have final say in the timing, conduct and presentation flow of every Academy session.
- 10.) Participants acknowledge and have no objection to having all or parts of each Academy session videotaped, photographed and/or used in the promotion of the Academy on brochures, the County website or on local television programming. Participants further agree that the County may use images from the videotape or portions thereof, or photographs therefrom, with publication of their faces and/or likeness with no expectation of any compensation. Blue Earth County shall own any and all copyrights to the videotapes, photographs and broadcasting or printing.

I have fully read, fully understand and agree to participate in the Blue Earth County Citizens Academy under the terms and conditions set forth above.

Participant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_