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Gordon County Youth Leadership Visit to County Commission Meeting 19 NOV 2013 (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Ms. Berry, the Gordon County Youth Leadership Class of 2014 would like to visit the county commission meeting on 19 November 2013. I understand that Mrs. Judy Bailey has spoken with you and coordinated the visit already.

This year's class consist of 43 students. We will probably stay for one to one and a half hours at the beginning of the meeting.

I have attached a welcome letter that the Chairman normally uses to welcome the class. It contains basic information and can be used or modified as you see fit.

As in the past visits, would you advise the commission ahead of time so they could interact with the class prior to the start of the meeting? We plan on arriving at the courthouse at 5:30pm. I know that the commission will probably be in a work session but if you could have a staff member open the doors at 5:30, it would be appreciated.

Judy continues to serve as chairman of the Youth Leadership program and she will be leading the class on this visit. I will be out of town due to work conflicts.

If you see any concerns, please let me know.

Thanks, Larry

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Tonight, we would like to welcome members of 2014 Youth Leadership Gordon County program to the county commission meeting.

This year's class includes 43 students selected from over 120 applicants which represent the four High School systems in Gordon County. (Calhoun, Gordon Central, Sonoraville, and Georgia Cumberland-Academy). These students represent their school systems as prospective future community leaders.

The class is sponsored by the Gordon County Chamber of Commerce Leadership program. It will meet for 10 months outside of the school system during the FY 14 school year with the mission of introducing the students to Leadership opportunities within their community. Topics that the class will be introduced to will include Team building, Community health and public safety, Community economic development, Community industry that includes a county tour day of local manufacturing, service and agriculture businesses, and government that includes meetings with the Calhoun City Council, Gordon County Commissioners and a trip to the Capitol to meet with the state legislative delegation. The intent is to introduce class members to the community and how community activities take place through government, local business influence and service industries. The vision of the program is that once the students graduate they will volunteer and give back to their community.

This is the 21st integration of this program conducted over the past 20 years. To date, approximately 900 High School juniors and seniors have graduated from the program.