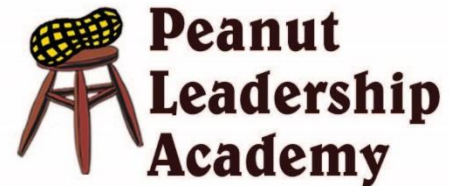


# Peanut Leadership Academy

Program Overview

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# Background

- Cooperative effort between Syngenta Crop Protection, the American Peanut Shellers Association and grower organizations.
- Began in 1998 with the first class of 14 peanut growers from Alabama, Florida and Georgia.
- Grown to include growers from Texas, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Arkansas and sheller representatives.

# Objectives

- Expose and provide better understanding of the United States peanut industry
- Discuss and debate key grower and industry issues
- Develop leadership skills
- Network and build industry relationships

# Overview: Sessions

- Five sessions over an 18-month period
- Each session has a different focus & location
- Some sessions are combined with other meetings
- Includes a mix of hands-on activities, tours, discussions and presentations

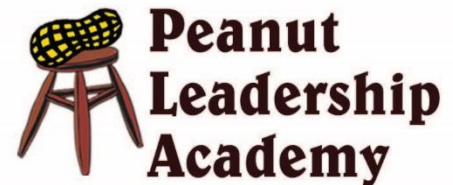
# Sessions

- Session I
  - Southern Peanut Farmers Federation Meeting, Jan. 8-11, 2024
    - Orientation
    - Presentations on Industry & Leadership
    - Annual Southern Peanut Farmers Federation Meeting



# Sessions

- Session II
  - March 17-20, 2024
  - Southeast Location – Tifton, Ga.
  - Area Tours and Industry Presentations
  - Combined with APSA Industry Spring Meeting



# Sessions

- Session III
  - August 12-15, 2024
  - West Texas Location
  - Peanut Production, Texas style
  - Area Tours and Media Training



# Sessions

- Session IV
  - February/March 2025
  - Washington, D.C.
  - Hill Meetings
  - Issues Discussion





# Sessions

- Session V
  - Summer 2025
  - Southeast Location
  - Graduation



# Class XIII Introductions

- Grower Members:
  - Alabama
  - Arkansas
  - Florida
  - Georgia
  - North Carolina
  - South Carolina
  - Texas
  - Virginia
- Shellers:
  - Birdsong Peanuts
  - Coastal Growers
  - Golden Peanut
  - Olam
  - Premium Peanut
  - Sandy Land Peanut

# Thank you!

