SPEAKER INFO

AMANDA BEIGHTS, IOM

Vice President, Leadership Collier Foundation

Amanda Beights is the Vice President of the Leadership Collier Foundation, an affiliate of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. In this capacity, she manages the Foundation's programs, including: Leadership Collier™, Youth Leadership Collier™, Growing Associates In Naples™ (GAIN™), and Campaign for Leadership™. Additionally, Amanda administers the Foundation's Alumni Association, comprised of over 1,800 graduates to date; acting as the primary alumni programs director and liaison for the Foundation's Board of Directors. As the Leadership Collier Foundation continues to expand work with youth and workforce development, Amanda also oversees the implementation of the Chamber's work-based learning initiatives.

Amanda, an experienced educator, earned her BS from Ohio University and her MA Summa Cum Laude from Florida Gulf Coast University. Her ten years of experience teaching included leadership roles at schools in Naples and Chicago.

Amanda is a graduate from the Institute for Organization Management (IOM), the professional development program of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, and has received the recognition of IOM in acknowledgement of her completion of 96 hours of course instruction in nonprofit management.

Amanda sits on the Collier Child Care Resources Advisory Board, Blue Zones Community Engagement Committee, Next Generation Board for the Shelter for Abused Women and Children, Naples Historical Society Young Executive Society (YES! Ambassadors), and the Collier Board of Advisors for the Children's Movement of Florida. Most recently, Amanda was recognized as one of Gulfshore Business' 40 Under 40 in 2016, and a Naples Illustrated Rising Star in 2017.

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