

May 5	Lieutenant Governor's Small Business Academy at the Pablo Center, Eau Claire.
8:00	Registration, Light Refreshments & Networking
8:15	Welcome and Introductions – Rebecca Cooke, Red Letter Grant
8:20	Small Business Owner – Mi Sullivan, Mi Mi's Café ("My Journey")
8:50	BREAK
9:00	SBA Panel - Starting and Growing a Winning Business: Wisconsin U.S. Small Business Administration's 2023 Award Winners in Conversation
10:00	BREAK
10:10	Roundtables - Session 1
	Get Ready: Get Funded – Joe Bowe and Margaret Rose, U.S. Bank
	Know Your Customers: Defining Your Value Proposition – Harlie Juedes, SBDC
	Risk Mitigation – Josh Wilson, Wisconsin Veterans Chamber
11:00	Roundtables - Session 2
	Financial Planning for Your Business – Luke Kempen, SBDC
	Government: Is There an Opportunity for Your Business? - Marie Spilmon, WPI
	Getting Started with Social Media – SBDC Student Marketing Consultants
11:50	Tips to Move Forward, Final Remarks & Networking – Rebecca Cooke, Red Letter Grant
Noon	PROGRAM CONCLUDES

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