

# SOUTHWEST MOBILE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## T.A.L.L.



## Program

Tillman's Corner Area Learning Leadership

# 2026-2027

## Application Booklet

**Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mission:**

The Southwest Mobile County Chamber is committed to encouraging and developing young leaders who will make a positive impact in their community through meaningful leadership experiences.

**About:**

T.A.L.L. (Tillman's Corner Area Learning Leadership) is an eight-month leadership development program of the Southwest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce, running from September through April and concluding with a graduation ceremony.

The program provides students with hands-on learning through leadership training, interaction with community leaders, educational field trips, and volunteer service. Participants gain insight into local economic, political, and social issues while building leadership, communication, and decision-making skills.

Students are selected through a competitive application process based on academics, school involvement, and community engagement. Completion of the T.A.L.L. Program is required for scholarship eligibility.

**Eligibility & Requirements:**

Applicants must be high school seniors during the 2026–2027 academic year, attend school in Mobile County, and maintain a minimum 3.0 weighted GPA. Selection is based on leadership potential, academic achievement, and community involvement.

Finalists will be invited to an in-person interview on Thursday, June 18, 2026. Selections will be made in June, and all applicants will be notified by July.

A complete application packet, including the application, transcript, three references, and photo, must be submitted together by **May 22, 2026**. Partial packets and emailed submissions will not be accepted.

**Expectations:**

Participants must attend all monthly sessions, complete required service activities, and represent the Chamber in a professional manner. Attendance is required for program completion and scholarship consideration. A \$25 registration fee is required to cover program supplies.

**Application Packet Checklist:**

Please review the checklist below before submitting your application. Incomplete or partial packets will not be accepted.

- Completed application**
- All application questions answered and signatures completed** (written in blue or black ink or typed on a separate sheet and attached)
- Official/Unofficial high school transcript**
- Three completed reference forms**
- One clear, printed headshot photograph (4" x 6")**

**Photo Requirements:**

Photographs must be a clear headshot of the applicant. Selfies, group photos, or photos printed on transcripts will not be accepted. The photo must be submitted as a separate image and should reflect a professional appearance.

**Submission Reminder:**

All required materials must be submitted together in one complete packet by the stated deadline. The Southwest Mobile County Chamber will not accept partial packets, emailed materials, or items submitted separately. **No part of the application, including transcripts, references, or photographs, will be accepted by email.**

Will you be a Senior during the 2026–2027 school year? \_\_\_\_\_

GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Weighted \_\_\_\_\_ Unweighted \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor Email \_\_\_\_\_

**List school and/or community groups and organizations you have been affiliated with during high school.**

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**List one high school extracurricular activity or community-related activity in which you have participated. Describe your role and explain how it has helped you develop leadership skills.**

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**List any awards, honors, or recognitions (academic, school, religious, or community-related) you have received during the past four years.**

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**What are your future goals and plans after graduating high school?**

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**In your opinion, what are the three most important characteristics of a leader? Explain why.**

**(Examples: character, concern for others, responsibility, initiative, curiosity, teamwork, maturity, poise, oral communication, written communication, persistence, drive, community involvement, analytical ability, etc.)**

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**Name someone outside your immediate family who has greatly impacted your life and describe how their influence has affected your choices as a young adult.**

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**Give one interesting fact about yourself (something others may not know).**

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**What do you hope to learn through this program that will benefit you in the future?**

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By signing below, the student and parent/guardian certify that all information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge. The student understands that participation in the T.A.L.L. Program requires a commitment to attend all scheduled sessions, complete required assignments and service hours, and represent the Southwest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce in a responsible and professional manner. Failure to meet program expectations may result in dismissal from the program. The parent/guardian acknowledges and supports the student's commitment to the requirements of the program.

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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