



## **2020 iLEAD Intensive**

iLead, a Thomasville-Thomas County Chamber of Commerce Program is a unique opportunity for high school students that was adapted from the J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership and Community Development of the University of Georgia in partnership with Tisk Task. The program focuses on leadership skills, communicating effectively, appreciating differences, team building, managing conflict, goal setting and community involvement. Another important element of the program is providing students from different schools an opportunity to meet and learn from one another.

As participants in iLead, students also learn and develop an understanding of what shapes our community. It is our hope that these relationships will grow beyond this experience for each student. In the future, we look forward to the alumni of the iLead Class taking on leadership positions of their own in the Thomas County area.

Attached you will find important iLead information for both students and parents. Please read the mandatory program requirements carefully, complete the application, and submit it by end of day **May 22, 2020**.

**BASIC INFORMATION**

(Please print legibly. Pay special attention to email addresses.)

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name called: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email and Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email and Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Explain why you want to be selected for the youth leadership program. What leadership qualities would you bring to the program and what do you expect to gain from this program? (May use another sheet of paper if necessary.)*

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*What are your strengths?*

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*What are your weaknesses?*

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*What skills or topics would you like to work on?*

**Soft Skills-** personal attributes that enable someone to interact effectively and harmoniously with other people. Please select any and all topics you would like to work on.

- Strong Work Ethic
- Positive Attitude
- Good Communication Skills
- Time Management Abilities
- Problem-Solving Skills
- Acting as a Team Player
- Self-Confidence
- Ability to Accept and Learn from Criticism
- Dress/Attire

**Business Skills-** Please select any and all skills you would like to work on.

- Understanding Financial Management
- Decision Making/Critical Thinking
- Dealing with Conflict
- Leading vs Following
- Time Management
- Entrepreneurship
- Public Speaking
- Customer Service
- Technological Skills (Microsoft, Excel, One Note etc.)

*Please list any additional skills not listed above you would like assistance with.*

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## 1. HONOR CODE

As a participant in iLead, I pledge to uphold the principles of honesty, dependability, citizenship, and respect. I will abide by all laws within my school and my community and will display personal responsibility in my actions. As a participant, I will be supportive of other class members and will provide them with a positive environment for growth and development. Upon graduation from iLead, I understand that my actions still reflect upon the organization. As such, I will continue to be subject to this honor code as an alumnus/alumna of iLead.

## 2. ATTENDANCE

THIS PROGRAM REQUIRES A COMMITMENT TO ATTEND. All sessions will begin promptly according to schedule. Participants are required to attend all program events, be on time, and remain until the end of the sessions. **Participants are allowed TWO EMERGENCY ABSENCES and require prior notification.**

An absence to attend another leadership program, such as a state or national leadership program, or a Governor's Honors program, can be considered as a makeup and a replacement for the session missed. However, advance notice and documentation of such event must be given to the director for approval. Makeups need to be done within one month of the absence and completed, signed form turned in to the director. If you are uncertain as to whether your conflict meets the above excused absence, you need to contact the iLead directors.

An absence for any other reason will be considered an unexcused absence and will require a two-hour minimum community service makeup. Students need to give serious consideration before taking an emergency absence, making sure that the situation is truly an unavoidable one.

I understand that if I miss more than the allowed absences or abuse the policy, I stand the risk of not being eligible to graduate from the leadership program.

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. CONDUCT

As a participant in this program, you are representing the Chamber of Commerce, the Leadership Committee, your school and faculty, and your community. Therefore, you are expected to uphold leadership standards. Leadership students are expected to show courtesy and respect at all times and to conduct themselves in an orderly and attentive manner during all sessions. The Leadership Committee reserves the right to warn or excuse a student from the program based on inappropriate behavior or morally and irresponsible behavior and to report such behavior to the school faculty and to the parents.

TALKING DURING A SESSION WHEN THE INSTRUCTOR OR ANOTHER STUDENT HAS THE FLOOR IS DISRESPECTFUL, DISTRACTING, AND WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.

**4. EXPECTATIONS**

Participants in the iLead program are expected to share what they learned with their fellow students in their school. By signing the application, I am indicating my willingness to participate in such follow-up.

Leadership students are asked to mention that they are a leadership participant or graduate, whichever the case may be, when submitting articles for publicity purposes (school newsletter, local newspaper, TV, Thomasville Music & Drama Troupe senior night, etc.) This is a good promotional effort for the program and the student.

Applicants for iLead must have the support and commitment of their parents or guardians. The signature of a parent or guardian is necessary as an indication of the permission and support of the applicant's participation.

**5. PROGRAM FEES**

There will be a fee of \$125.00 per student. Scholarship opportunities may be available.

The signatures below are an indication that we have read and accept the policies and regulations as stated.

Applicant Name Printed: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name Printed: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**6. PROGRAM DAYS**

Monday, July 20, 2020 9am-5pm

Tuesday, July 21, 2020 9am-5pm

Wednesday, July 22, 2020 9am-5pm

Thursday, July 23, 2020 9am-5pm

Friday, July 24, 2020 9am-5pm