



Students Actively Involved in Leadership

Are you a high school Junior who wants to learn how to be an effective leader for yourself, your school and your community?

Then join S.A.I.L.! S.A.I.L. is Students Actively Involved in Leadership and is a joint effort between the Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce and Lincoln ACHIEVE. The program is designed to allow students that are involved to strengthen their leadership and communication skills, to be involved in the community and its development and to gain the skills to be an effective leader whether it be in their school, church or community.

S.A.I.L. is a 7-month program beginning in September and ending in March. Two participants will be chosen for Leadership Lincoln the following year to represent their school as a Senior. Meetings will be held at the Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce once a month on a predetermined date from 8-12. Participants will be excused from their school absence. The classes will be a mixture of in house speakers, tours of local businesses and lunch will be provided. Class members will also be required to be involved in 4 hours of community service that will be scheduled as a group and to be involved in a class project.

The deadline for application submission is August 24, 2018. All applications should be submitted along with a letter of recommendation from a teacher or club sponsor (please have them include their contact information) to Victoria Sexton, S.A.I.L. Coordinator at 2111 N. Trenton St., Ruston, LA 71270. The application fee for S.A.I.L. is \$25 and should be submitted along with the application and made payable to the Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Victoria Sexton vsexton@theuncommonbank.com.

TENTATIVE 2018-2019 S.A.I.L. SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 - ORIENTATION

OCTOBER 9, 2018 - GOVERNMENT

NOVEMBER 13, 2018 - MEDIA

DECEMBER REQUIRED PARTICIPATION-LINCOLN LIGHTS UP THE PINES DATES, NOVEMBER 30 – DECEMBER 2

DECEMBER 11, 2018 - TOURISM/HOSPITALITY

JANUARY 15, 2019 - BUSINESS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

FEBRUARY 12, 2019 - SOCIAL SERVICES/MEDICAL

MARCH 12, 2019 - CLASS PROJECT PRESENTATION/GRADUATION



What do S.A.I.L. participants think?

"I fell in love with the S.A.I.L Program after the first meeting. I immediately felt more knowledgeable and involved in my community, it allowed me to learn about all forms of leaders and further my skills in leadership.

I really enjoyed speaking with the Mayor and Representative Rob Shadoin, both were very entertaining and informative.

The S.A.I.L program is an amazing opportunity that allowed me to better myself, my organization, and my community." Emma Montgomery

"Touring the Center for the Blind was an eye-opening experience. I never realized how incredible the facility was. The fact that we have such an organization made me proud to say I'm from Lincoln Parish!" Davis Ellis

"After participating in S.A.I.L., I now have a greater appreciation for Ruston and its citizens' efforts to make the city hospitable and special for everyone." Sadie Colvin

S.A.I.L. APPLICATION

Name: _____

Participant Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

High School Attending: _____

Please list the extra-curricular activities, jobs, and/or volunteer work in which you participate and any offices held:

What would you like to get out of the S.A.I.L. program?

What do you think you can contribute to the S.A.I.L. program?

Have you thought about what you want to do after high school? Please describe your goals and aspirations.

In your opinion, what are two of the biggest challenges facing community leaders today?

S.A.I.L. Permission Slip

Name: _____

Participant Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Parents Name: _____

Parent Email: _____ Parent Cell Phone: _____

Parent Work Phone: _____ Parent Home Phone: _____

Alternate Contact Name _____

Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

Relationship to Participant: _____

Additional Personal Information

Please list any of your child’s medical conditions, allergies, and/or prescribed medications you would like to notify us about.

Parent/Guardian Permission (this must be filled out for an application to be complete)

I, _____ (parent’s name), give _____ (student’s name) permission to participate in the S.A.I.L. program. I understand that participation involves commitment and that my child is expected to attend all sessions and arrive on time. If extenuating circumstances arise, either my child or I will call in advance to notify the program coordinator of his or her absence.

I permit Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce and Lincoln ACHIEVE to use photographs and/or video/film/audio footage in which my child is pictured/recorded for related purposes. I also give the student permission to speak with media representatives to discuss resources and program related materials. My child’s photographs and quotes may be used in the media (print, radio and television) for the purposes of advancing the S.A.I.L. program.

I further hold harmless Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce and ACHIEVE Lincoln and its advisors, coordinator and/or representatives from any personal injury that could arise from transporting my child to and from the Ruston-Lincoln Chamber of Commerce to the scheduled tour venue. I also understand that that my child will be transported via transportation provided by individuals related to the chamber, and to further hold harmless those individuals from any personal injury that could arise for said transportation.

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

S.A.I.L. Principal/Administrator Permission Slip

Principal/Administrator Permission to Participate

I, _____ (principal/administrator), give
_____ (student's name) permission to participate in the S.A.I.L.
program. I understand that participation involves commitment and that the student is expected to
attend all sessions. I have reviewed the schedule and understand that on the following days, the
student will be excused from school between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.: September
11, 2018, October 9, 2018, November 13, 2018, December 11, 2018, January 15, 2019, February
12, 2019 and March 12, 2019 (this date will go to 1:30 p.m. due to graduation). I further
understand that the program will notify the school in the event that the student is absent from the
program for any reason.

Signature of Principal/Administrator

Date

What You Should Know!

Applicants must be Juniors during the 2018-19 school year.

Applicants must hold some sort of leadership role within their school, organization, church or community.

Participants must provide their own transportation to and from S.A.I.L., but transportation during the class will be provided by the S.A.I.L. program.

During the month of December, there will be mandatory participation in Lincoln Lights Up the Pines. This participation will count as part of your service hours.

Participants must be involved in a class project that promotes the community and its well-being as well as has a fundraising aspect.

Participants will have to attend a minimum of two (2) events within the community, including but not limited to, city or parish government meetings, open houses, business after hours, ribbon cuttings or Chamber sponsored events.

In the event a class must be missed, make-up work will be assigned.

You are welcome and encouraged to contact Victoria Sexton at vsexton@theuncommonbank.com to ask questions concerning the S.A.I.L. program.