

# JUNIOR AMBASSADORS

2026-2027

## Program Mission

Fostering youth to recognize their leadership abilities by serving their community now and in the future.

## Goals

Junior Ambassadors:

- Broaden their understanding of local and state government;
- Learn the value of handling personal finances;
- Explore existing businesses to better understand their services and economic impact on our community;
- Perform real-life problem solving and develop personal skills;
- Become better stewards of community resources and the environment;
- Learn the value of voluntary community service through hands-on experiences.

Junior Ambassadors is a 10-month program that helps high school juniors recognize their own leadership potential while discovering their community. The program inspires youth to become active citizens engaged in sharing their ideas and energy to help develop solutions to issues facing our community.

Junior Ambassadors gain leadership, teambuilding, and communication skills during day retreats. Field trips expose the students to local industry and community resources.

Junior Ambassadors also learn how community agencies impact the quality of life for our citizens by responding to the economic, cultural, health, and social needs of the community, and they learn the value of community involvement by contributing their own time to service projects throughout the year.

Meals, transportation, and other costs of the program are mostly covered by generous donors and through the sponsorships of South Baldwin Chamber of Commerce member businesses; however, students may be asked to provide their own funds for certain activities or food.

Since 1998, more than 400 students have completed the program. For more information, visit [sbchamberfoundation.org](http://sbchamberfoundation.org) or call (251) 223-1338.



## Eligibility Requirements

- Students presently enrolled as sophomores at Foley High School or Elberta High School
- Students who can academically afford to miss one day of school each month, per approval from their school counselor. (2.5 minimum cumulative GPA)
- Students who are interested in developing their leadership ability.
- Students who can commit to attending all program activities and retreats. Some may be scheduled on weekends.

## Application Process

- Application forms can be picked up from Mrs. Fason at Foley High School Room \_\_\_\_\_, Mrs. Goodwin at Elberta High School Room\_\_\_\_\_.
- Applications must be submitted by the stated deadline.
- **Interviews will take place over summer break**
- Qualified applicants will be interviewed by a selection committee.
- Approximately 30 students will be accepted into the program.
- Applicants will be notified by **email** about their admission into the program, and a list of those students accepted will be provided to school counselors.
- The South Baldwin Chamber Foundation encourages the participation of all students regardless of race, color, disability, sex, religion, national origin, age or creed.

For more information, call (251) 223-1338.

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