

Spring Hill Student Center

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The main dining room of the new Spring Hill College Student Center looks out onto the core of the campus through a curved wall with full-height windows. The elevated area allows the space to be used for a variety of events.



A pedimented pavilion demarks the main entrance and references the classical architecture of the nearby library and other campus buildings.



TAG/The Architects Group designed interiors to be animated and inviting, like this student lounge area. A semi-open wall with frosted glass panels (right) screens the adjacent dining room.

By Philip Morris



Spring Hill College in Mobile welcomed its 1,400 students last fall with a new 'living room'. The two-story, 53,326-square-foot student center designed by TAG/The Architects Group of Mobile creates a lively, light-filled anchor for student life at the core of the school's 381-acre campus.

Set on a prominent site that triangulates with the library and chapel, the center's first floor includes student lounges, kitchen, cafeteria and other dining space, conference rooms, bookstore and a student activity grill. The second level has student affairs offices, a large meeting/banquet room, student lounges and conference/classrooms.

Using a wide range of steps for the building, grounds and interiors, TAG helped the college achieve silver-level certification under LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design). Overall, the facility's energy needs were reduced by 14 percent. This new campus centerpiece is the latest in Spring Hill's campus development that has seen \$100 million in capital improvements over the past 12 years.



Spring Hill's school colors are subtly worked into the cafeteria design.