

Senior Saura

February 3, 2012

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

We had a great crowd come out to learn about financial aid on January 23rd. A special "Thank You" to Jennifer Cox of the Educational Opportunity Center for sharing information about the financial aid process! If you have not completed the FAFSA yet, there are several dates below when you can get assistance. Remember, many schools have a priority deadline of March 1st, so plan to do the FAFSA as soon as possible.

Saturday, February 18 – FAFSA Day! To find locations for free assistance completing the FAFSA, log on to <http://www.cfnc.org/fafsaday>

Thursday, February 23 – 5:00-7:00 pm FAFSA Night @ South Stokes. Come get free help completing the FAFSA!

Saturday, March 10 – 10:00 am-1:00 pm – King Public Library

Community College Placement Test & Forsyth Tech Registration

Representatives from Forsyth Tech will be back to administer the placement test on **March 23rd** and for a final time on **April 20th**. Students who have completed their applications and placement testing by **MAY 1** will be eligible to attend early registration for Fall 2012 classes here at South Stokes. This is a fabulous opportunity to be able to register for classes early and avoid lines on the main campus. Mrs. Cheek will have students on the list to take the April 20th test unless you request otherwise.

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SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

(Be sure to check out the SCHOLARSHIP page of the Counselor Website, too!)

Due Date	Details and Application Process
February 2012	Allegacy Federal Credit Union Allegacy offers two scholarship programs for members. The applications are open until February and information can be found at www.allegacyfcu.org/scholarships .
February 8, 2012	Florence Kidder Memorial Scholarship – The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America and The State of North Carolina A Florence Kidder Memorial Scholarship of \$3,000 and a runner-up scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded to high school seniors who plan to attend a college or university in North Carolina. The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of merit of the individual essay (35%), student's character (25%), grades (35%), and financial need (5%). Applications are available from Mrs. Folger in the Counseling Office or see Mrs. Cheek.
February 8, 2012	KFC Colonel's Scholars Awards up to \$20,000. To qualify must have a 2.75 GPA or higher, plan to enroll in a North Carolina PUBLIC four-year college, and demonstrate financial need. Applications are available beginning December 1 at www.kfcscholars.org .

ACT

Test Date	Registration Deadline
February 11, 2012	January 13, 2012
April 14, 2012*	March 9, 2012
June 9, 2012	May 4, 2012
Register at www.actstudent.org	

SAT

Test Date	Registration Deadline
March 10, 2012	February 10, 2012
May 5, 2012*	April 6, 2012
June 2, 2012	May 8, 2012
Register at www.collegeboard.org	

SCHOLARSHIP IDEA!

Be sure to have your parents and grandparents check at their places of employment for possible scholarship opportunities their employers offer!

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February 15, 2012	<p>AFA Teens for Alzheimer's Awareness College Scholarship Win up to \$5000 in scholarship money! Students must be US citizens or permanent residents, plan to enter a four-year college, and complete a 1,200 to 1,500 essay about how Alzheimer's has impacted you. For applications and more details, see http://www.afateens.org/about_new.html.</p>
February 15, 2012	<p>National Co-op Scholarship Program Awards 155 merit scholarships totaling \$4 Million. Qualifications include a GPA of 3.5 or better, complete a one-page essay describing why you have chosen to pursue a college cooperative education program, and be admitted to Drexel University, Johnson & Wales, Kettering University, Rochester Institute of Technology, University of Cincinnati, University of Toledo, or Wentworth Institute of Technology. Applications are available at www.co-op.edu. Early applications are encouraged and the deadline is February 15, 2012.</p>
February 16, 2012	<p>Jagannathan Scholarship Seniors planning to attend a public four-year college in North Carolina will be selected based on (1) academic achievement; (2) financial need; (3) extracurricular activities; and (4) evidence of leadership. The scholarship is valued at \$2,000. To apply, complete the application at www.CFNC.org and the CSS/PROFILE at www.collegeboard.org. Students who have previously completed the PROFILE for a scholarship administered by the NC State Education Assistance Authority do not need to complete or submit the PROFILE again.</p>
February 16, 2012	<p>Our Family for Families First Foundation Ten \$50,000 scholarships (\$12,500 per year) are awarded to high school seniors who have a 3.0 GPA or higher and a parent who is an active-duty Service Member stationed at Fort Meade, MD; Fort Bragg, NC; Fort Polk, LA; Fort Rucker, AL; Fort Riley, KS; Fort Sill, OK; or Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD. Must be planning to attend a four-year college. Applications are available at http://ourfamilyforfamiliesfirst.org/.</p>
February 29, 2012	<p>Buick Achievers Scholarship Program Seniors planning to major in Technology, Engineering, Design, or Business with an interest in the automotive industry are encouraged to apply for one of these 1,100 scholarships worth up to \$25,000 per year. Information at www.buickachievers.com.</p>
March 1, 2012	<p>Scholarships for Children of North Carolina War Veterans These scholarships may provide free tuition, certain fees, and a reasonable room and board allowance to State-owned institutions and \$4,500 per year in private institutions. Applicants must live in North Carolina, have a Veteran parent (biological or adopted) who was a legal resident of NC at time of entrance into service. There are several classes of scholarship availability and students are encouraged to visit http://www.doa.nc.gov/vets/locations.</p>
March 1, 2012	<p>Golden LEAF Foundation Scholarships Only available to students in select North Carolina counties. Students planning to attend most four-year colleges in North Carolina may apply and selection is based on demonstrated financial need and merit. The scholarship is valued at \$12,000 (\$3,000 each year). The application is available at www.cfn.org and is due along with the FAFSA by March 1. Golden Leaf for Community Colleges: Contact the financial aid office at the community college you plan to attend to find out how to apply and the deadline at each school. The scholarship is worth up to \$750 per semester!</p>
March 9, 2012	<p>Sammy 2012 Scholarship The Milk Processor Education Program offers a \$7,500 scholarship to student-athletes with selection based on academic performance (35%), athletic excellence (35%), leadership (15%), community service (10%), and milk experience essay (5%). The 25 winners will be featured in a Milk Mustache campaign, win a trip to Walt Disney World for the awards ceremony, as well as the scholarship money. For more information or to apply, go to www.bodybymilk.com and click on SAMMY 2012.</p>
March 12, 2012	<p>Charlie Adams Endowed Scholarship In honor of Charlie Adams, Former Executive Director of the NCHSAA, this \$1,500 scholarship is awarded to one senior female participating on a varsity cross-country team and one senior male wrestler participating on a varsity wrestling team. Additional information and applications may be found at http://www.nchsaa.org/pages/712/Charlie-Adams-Endowed-Scholarship/ or in Mrs. Cheek's office.</p>

March 30, 2012	<p>Shelton Scholarship Twenty students in Surry and Stokes Counties who plan to attend Surry Community College or Forsyth Technical Community College will receive awards. Applications are available in the Counseling Office.</p>
March 30, 2012	<p>Clary Student Medal Awards Created in honor of Wilbur C Clary, former school administrator and official, the \$2,000 cash award is funded by the Eddie and Jo Allison Smith Family Foundation. The Clary Award will be awarded to help fund educational endeavors for one male and one female high school athlete who is involved in at least two different sports in high school. For more information, visit http://www.nchsaa.org/pages/671/Endowed-Clary-Medal/ or see Mrs. Cheek. Applications are due by March 31, 2011.</p>
March 30, 2012	<p>SECU Foundation and State Employees' Credit Union Scholarship The "People Helping People" Scholarship Program will be awarded to one student at South Stokes planning to attend a public four-year college in North Carolina. To be eligible, students must have a 2.5 GPA or higher and demonstrate leadership, integrity, and community involvement. Preference will be given to students whose parents or guardians and family members are public sector employees who live and work in North Carolina. To apply for consideration, please pick up a form from the Counseling Office.</p>
March 31, 2012	<p>Whitlow-Osborne Scholarship Seniors planning to enter an Emergency Services Curriculum at a community or technical school should apply for this \$2,000 scholarship that is renewable for a second year (\$4,000 total). Only students in 12 counties are eligible. Applications must be received at the NC Association of Rescue & Emergency Medical Services, Inc. by March 31. Pick up an application in the Counseling Office.</p>
March 16, 2012	<p>Susie Johnson Lauten Scholarship One student from South Stokes will be selected to move on to the selection committee for this scholarship. Five students (one from NSHS, one for SSHS, one from WSHS, and two from McMichael) will compete for the \$300 scholarship. Applicants should demonstrate a keen awareness of our country's history and have a willingness to participate in continuing our heritage. Applications are available from the Counseling Office.</p>
April 1, 2012 (DUE TO MRS. CHEEK by March 23)	<p>Lloyd E. and Rachel S. Collins Scholarship This \$1,000 renewable scholarship is for deserving graduating seniors from North, South and West Stokes High Schools attending a two or four-year college or university. Applications available in the Counseling Office or at www.wsfoundation.org.</p>
April 1, 2012 (DUE TO MRS. CHEEK by March 23)	<p>Chester Arzell and Helen Miller Montgomery Scholarship This \$1,000 renewable scholarship is for graduating high school seniors in Stokes County, NC who are pursuing post-secondary education at an accredited institution. Applications available in the Counseling Office or at www.wsfoundation.org.</p>
April 1, 2012	<p>Robert G. Prongay Memorial Scholarship This \$1,250 non-renewable scholarship is for graduating high school seniors who are Key Club members in Forsyth, Stokes, Surry, or Yadkin counties and who will pursue post-secondary education at accredited educational institutions. Contact: Richard St. Clair at (336) 723-7269. Deadline: April 1</p>
April 1, 2012	<p>American Indian Scholarship Native Americans who demonstrate financial need and have a GPA of at least a 2.75 are eligible to apply for this one-time award. Application includes (1) Letter of family history, financial status, and education objective; (2) transcript; (3) three letters of recommendation; (4) proof of American Indian blood as indicated on a card issued by a Tribal Council, a letter from a Tribal Council or proof of a parent belonging to a tribe and the applicant's birth certificate. Applications are available in the Counseling Office.</p>
April 2, 2012	<p>The North Carolina Bar Association – Scholarship for Children of NC Law Enforcement Officers Killed or Permanently Disabled Apply at https://younglawyers.ncbar.org/resources/scholarships.aspx</p>
April 9, 2012	<p>Rockingham Community College Scholarships Applications for RCC's scholarships are now available in the Counseling Office.</p>
April 15, 2011	<p>State Employees Association of North Carolina (SEANC) If your parent or guardian is a member of SEANC, you are encouraged to apply for one of these 28 scholarships. If your parent or guardian work for the state or are retired from the state, membership applications are also available to gain eligibility for current non-members. For application materials, see Mrs. Cheek or Mrs. Folger.</p>
April 15, 2012	<p>Wade and Marcelene Duncan Scholarship This \$500 non-renewable award is for worthy graduating North or South Stokes High School seniors pursuing a four-year degree from accredited post-secondary institutions. Apply using the Common Application at www.wsfoundation.org.</p>

April 15, 2012	<p>Willis H. Overby Scholarship This scholarship may provide two \$600 non-renewable awards to graduating high school seniors from Stokes County who will pursue a certificate, diploma, or degree from an accredited vocational/technical school, community college, or university. Apply using the Common Application at www.wsfoundation.org.</p>
April 15, 2012	<p>Tar Heel Chapter of the Military Officers of America Association Scholarship Students currently enrolled in a JROTC unit or who is the child of a military service member who was wounded or died while on active or reserve duty are eligible to apply for one of these two \$1,000 scholarships. Only students in six counties are eligible. Selection is based on demonstrated leadership, academic achievement, honors, school, and community service and initiative. See Mrs. Cheek or Mrs. Folger for an application.</p>
April 15, 2012	<p>North Carolina Farm Bureau R. Flake Shaw Scholarship Program This scholarship offers six scholarships valued at \$3,500 per year for four years to six seniors planning to study at a college or university in an agriculturally-related curricula. They also offer two scholarships valued at \$1,000 per year for two years at a community college for students planning to complete a two-year degree in an agriculturally-related field or planning to transfer to a college or university to do so. Financial need, grades, understanding of the agricultural/agribusiness community, and leadership potential are considered. Applications are available in the Counseling Office.</p>
April 16, 2012	<p>Stokes Family YMCA Scholarship Students who have been involved in any program associated with the YMCA (YAG, after school care, etc) are encouraged to complete an application for this scholarship which will be awarded to students in Stokes County. Applications are available from Mrs. Cheek or Mrs. Folger.</p>
June 15, 2012	<p>Abbott & Fenner Business Consultants Scholarship Abbott & Fenner offer \$3000 scholarships for high school juniors and seniors. For more information or to apply, go to http://abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm.</p>
June 22, 2012	<p>BigSun Scholarship All student athletes are eligible to apply for the BigSun \$500 award. Visit www.bigsunathletics.com to learn how to apply.</p>
August 15, 2012	<p>Oliver Joel and Ellen Pell Denny Healthcare Scholarship This scholarship is for traditional and non-traditional age applicants from North Carolina seeking associate or baccalaureate degrees in a healthcare field; preference given to residents of Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Stokes, Surry, Wilkes and Yadkin counties. Award amounts may vary but will not exceed \$3,000 annually. Apply using the Common Application at www.wsfoundation.org.</p>
August 15, 2012	<p>Virginia Elizabeth and Alma Vane Taylor Nursing Scholarship This non-renewable scholarship provides educational aid for North Carolina residents seeking associate or baccalaureate nursing degrees. Preference will be given to those pursuing first-time degrees and for those residents in The Winston-Salem Foundation's service area of Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Stokes, Surry, Wilkes, and Yadkin counties. Apply using the Common Application at www.wsfoundation.org.</p>

ACCEPTANCE LETTERS!

It's an exciting time: Acceptance letters have begun arriving! Please share your good news with your homeroom teacher and/or Mrs. Cheek.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- February 6, 9, 10 – WorkKeys for select seniors
- February 10 – Deadline to order cap & gown
- February 10 – ECU Representative @ SSSH – let Mrs. Cheek know if you would like to attend
- February 16 – Progress Reports
- February 18 – FAFSA Day – see www.cfn.org for locations
- February 20 – HOLIDAY
- February 23 – FAFSA Night @ SSSH
- March 8 – End of 3rd Quarter
- March 10 – FAFSA Workshop – King Public Library