

# Counselor Connection



“The virtue lies in the struggle, not in the prize.”

~ ~ Richard Monckton Milnes

## SCHOLARSHIPS

**2013 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards** - Students with exemplary community service records should consider applying for these awards. Awards vary from certificates to \$5000 grants and trips to Washington DC. Applications are now available online and must be completed, printed out, signed, and submitted to your principal by **Monday, November 5**. For more information visit <http://spirit.prudential.com> or [www.nassp.org/spirit](http://www.nassp.org/spirit)

**John Montgomery Belk Scholarship (Davidson College)** - A renewable scholarship valued at around \$52,000 as well as up to \$3,000 for study stipends, the Belk Scholarship is open to students interested in Davidson College that demonstrate intellectual and personal achievement and significant leadership ability. For more information or if you would like to be considered for nominated see Mrs. Sawyer by **TODAY - Nov 2**.



**Aubrey Lee Brooks** - Scholarship available to students who are accepted and plan to attend NC State, Chapel Hill or UNCG. 17 scholarships are awarded annually to graduating seniors from 14 surrounding counties, including Stokes, on the basis of academic standing, character, leadership, financial need, and the will of the applicant to help themselves prepare for a career as a useful and informed citizen. Selection is very competitive and students should have high SAT/ACT scores, grades, participated in extracurriculars, been involved in the community and/or been employed. For more information see Mrs. Sawyer or visit [cfnc.org/brooks](http://cfnc.org/brooks) Application will not be available until November and the deadline for submission (as well as SAT scores and FAFSA application) is **Thursday, January 31**.

**Wofford Scholars Program** - merit based scholarships from Wofford College in South Carolina. To qualify must be a senior in the top 10% of graduating class, have at least 1250 on SAT, and demonstrate scholarship, leadership, and potential for success. Visit [www.wofford.edu/scholars](http://www.wofford.edu/scholars) for more information.

**2013 Profile in Courage Essay Contest** - Various awards up to \$5,000. Students must submit an essay on an act of political courage by a US elected official who served during or after 1956. For more information and to submit your essay visit [www.jfklibrary.org](http://www.jfklibrary.org) **Deadline January 5**.

**Aspiring Animation Professional Scholarship Program** - Opportunity for students interested in pursuing a career in animation to win \$1000 towards their education. For more information and to apply visit [www.animationcareerreview.com](http://www.animationcareerreview.com)

**Robertson Scholars Program (Duke & Chapel Hill)** - approximately 36 full scholarships awarded year to year (18 to Duke, 18 to Chapel Hill) The Robertson Scholars Program seeks students who have demonstrated the passion and potential to become great leaders in college and beyond. It is this vision which informs our selection process; our hope is that all Robertson scholars will play significant and impactful roles in their communities and society, today and in the future. Robertson scholars should demonstrate academic distinction, intellectual curiosity, impactful leadership, character and integrity. They should be goal oriented, take initiatives, make impacts in team settings, and communicate well. For more information or to apply see Mrs. Sawyer or visit [www.robertsonscholars.org](http://www.robertsonscholars.org) or <http://tinyurl.com/rslpmailinglist>. **Deadline Dec. 1**.

**Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarship** - RMHC seeks to invest in students who are exemplary role models in their communities and have the initiative to fulfill their educational goals. For more information or to apply [aim.applyists.net/RMHC](http://aim.applyists.net/RMHC) - **Deadline December 20**.

**Watson & Odyssey Scholarship (Elon)** - need based scholarships valued at \$30,000-\$48,000, including grants up to \$4,000. For more information or to apply see Mrs. Sawyer or visit [www.elon.edu/apply](http://www.elon.edu/apply)—**Deadline: February 10**.

**Meredith Teaching Fellows** - Students interested in a teaching career and planning on applying Meredith should visit [www.meredith.edu/teachfel](http://www.meredith.edu/teachfel) for more information. Make sure you apply to Meredith College as well. **Deadline: January 15**.

**Mel Hughes Scholarship (Allegacy FCU)** - Four \$1300 and four \$250 scholarships are available through Allegacy FCU. If you are a member of Allegacy with at least a 3.0 GPA visit [www.allegacyfcu.org/scholarships](http://www.allegacyfcu.org/scholarships) to pick up an application in guidance. **Deadline: February 11, 2013**

**Abbott & Fenner Scholarship** - \$1000 scholarship available high school seniors based on an essay regarding the following topic: What have you done outside the classroom that demonstrates qualities sought after by the post secondary institution that you are hoping to attend? Also, which of these qualities means the most to you? For more information and to apply visit [www.abbotandfenner.com/scholarships](http://www.abbotandfenner.com/scholarships) by **June 14**



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### Upcoming Dates & Events

Nov 5 - CCPT Tutoring - Reading Comp

Nov 6 - Teacher Workday - Students OFF

**ELECTION DAY** - if you're  
18 and registered make your  
voice heard!

Nov 7 - CCPT Tutoring - Arithmetic

Nov 8 - CCPT Tutoring - Elem. Algebra &  
Sentence Skills

Nov 9 - CCPT Tutors on hand for all areas

Nov 9 - Community College Placement  
Test - Forsyth Tech Admin.

Nov 12 - VETERANS DAY - NO SCHOOL

Nov 12-16 - College Application Week

Nov 14 - College Application Day

Nov 21 - Early Dismissal - 12:00 noon

Nov 22 -23 - Thanksgiving Holidays

Nov 28 - Progress Reports

Dec 7 - Holiday Visit to Salem

**Elks Scholarships** - Applications are now available in guidance for the Elks Most Valuable Student and the Elks Nursing Scholarships. For more information or to pick up an application see Mrs. Sawyer. Deadline: December 5.

**Other NC State College of Education Scholarships:** visit <http://ced.ncsu.edu/admissions/scholarships>

**Various history, political, government, & military themed scholarships** available at [gwc.org](http://gwc.org) Deadline January 15, 2013.

**Various social awareness scholarships** available at <http://www.dosomething.org/scholarships>

### **Forsyth Tech Placement Test**

Representatives from Forsyth Technical Community College will be at South Stokes on Friday, November 9 to administer the placement test that is required for applicants to complete. This placement test will help determine which courses you will be enrolled in during your first semester at FTCC. Being well prepared and scoring well may allow you to skip taking remedial English and Math courses, which can cost around \$300 for each course and not count towards your degree. Mrs. Sawyer will be meeting with students that have indicated they were applying to Forsyth Tech in order to give you prep materials.

### **Smart Breakfast Prep Sessions**

There will be several prep sessions available to students that should be taking the placement test on November 9th. See below for the dates and room locations for the different sessions leading up to the placement test in November.

Monday, November 5 - Reading Comprehension - D6

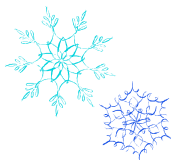
Wednesday, November 7 - Arithmetic - F6

Thursday, November 8 - Elementary Algebra - F6  
or Sentence Skills - D3

Friday, November 9 - TEST DAY - Mrs. Patterson (F6), Ms. Elliott (D3), and Ms. Smith (D6) will all be available for last minute brushing up before testing.

### *Holiday Visit to Salem College*

Any senior girls interested in attending a special holiday information day at Salem College on December 7, see Mrs. Sawyer. There will be a tour of the college, a special choir presentation, an opportunity for students to sit in on a class, and lunch will be provided. More information about registration and times will follow soon.



### **KNOW YOUR DEADLINES!!!!**

Make sure you know when your college applications are due. Most applications for 4 year colleges should be completed by December. Community College applicants should plan to have materials submitted in January. The sooner you apply the sooner you know if you're accepted! Also, often earlier deadlines give students more chances to be considered for institutional scholarships. As you get acceptance letters, be sure to bring them to Mrs. Sawyer so I can make copies and display them proudly!!



### **UPCOMING ACT DATES AND DEADLINES**

**December 8** - Register by November 2 - **LAST ONE YOU CAN TAKE!!!**

Register at [actstudent.org](http://actstudent.org)

### **UPCOMING SAT DATES AND DEADLINES**

**January 26** - register by December 28 **LAST ONE YOU CAN TAKE!!**

Register at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

### **Exam Exemption Policy**

No more than 6 absences and an A average

No more than 4 absences and a B average

No more than 2 absences and a C average

No more than 1 absence and a D average

**Cannot be exempt from state tested course exams!!**

### **Attendance Policies**

Students that miss 14 or more days in any class are automatically subject to lose credit for that course. Students that have reached the 14 day mark will receive an attendance waiver application in December that will be subject to review by a school based committee. Decisions will include credit, no credit, or mandatory make up time to earn your credit back. If you believe you have missed 14 days or more be on the lookout for attendance waiver applications.

*Just 7 weeks left of the semester....will you be ready for exams?.....  
How's your attendance?.....*