Counselor Connection

"The trouble with not having a goal is that you can spend your life running up and down the field and never score."

~ ~ Bill Copeland

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Thomas Wolfe Scholarship – For the aspiring creative writing majors who want to attend UNC-Chapel Hill. Applications are available beginning September 1st, 2012, with the deadline for submissions being October 15, 2012 along with your application for admissions. For more information visit http://englishcomplit.unc/edu/creative/scholarships/tws

2013 Wendy's High School Heisman – All seniors who have at least a "B" average and participate in at least one school-sponsored sport are strongly encouraged to complete the application available at www.wendysheisman.com. Completed applications are due by **October 2** and students who apply early receive Wendy's gift certificates. The national winners receive up to a \$500 gift certificate and an award for the school.



Levine Scholars Program - A four-year scholarship from UNC Charlotte for current seniors applying to UNCC who demonstrate a commitment to community service, intellectual curiosity, and the capacity of ethical leadership. For more information see Mrs. Sawyer or visit http://levinescholars.uncc.edu. If you would like to be recommended as one of South's 12-13 Levine nominees, **e-mail Mrs. Sawyer TODAY** at christina.sawyer@stokes.k12.nc.us

Voice of Democracy Scholarship Program - Essay scholarship through Veterans of Foreign Wars that awards scholarships and prizes at local, district, state and national levels. This year's theme: *Is Our Constitution Still Relevant?* For more information and a entry form, see Mrs. Sawyer. **Deadline Nov 1.**

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

2012 Horatio Alger Scholarships - Program provides scholarships based on financial need, demonstrated integrity, perseverance in overcoming adversity, strength of character, good academic record (minimum GPA of 2.0), commitment to pursue a bachelors degree, and a desire to contribute to society. Applications are now available and should be **submitted online at www.horatioalger.org/scholarships** by Thursday, October 25.

Mercer University - School of Engineering - If you're interested in attending a Scholarship Challenge at Mercer in Macon, GA on **Saturday**, **October 20** see Mrs. Sawyer for information.

AES Engineers Scholarship - \$500 scholarships awarded on the basis of character, as determined by evaluation of the essays that are submitted. Applications can be found and submitted online at http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm **Deadline Friday, October 5.**

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 **November 2.**

Centennial Scholarship (NC State) - open to top students interested in engineering, business management, chemistry, forensics, medical fields, international studies, design, apparel, sourcing, fashion, merchandising, or retail management at NC State. (Degree in textiles required). If you're interested in being nominated let Mrs. Sawyer know by Friday, October 19.

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 Application will not be available until November and the deadline for submission (as well as SAT scores and FAFSA application) is Thursday, January 31.



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Upcoming Dates & Events

Oct 3 - College Fair

Oct 4 - Registration Deadline for Nov SAT

Oct 5 - Salem College rep

Oct 5 - Homecoming

Oct 6 - SAT Administration

Oct 11 - End of 1st grading period

Oct 12 - Teacher Workday - Students off!

Oct 18 - Report Cards

SALEM COLLEGE

A representative from Salem College will be here on Friday, October 5. If you are interested in attending this meeting to learn more about Salem, please see Mrs. Sawyer.

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. Also be listening for information about Smart Breakfast prep sessions

leading up to the November 9th test date.

Young Arts Award - awards up to \$10,000 for 600 students annually that are passionate about various areas of the arts. For more information and to apply visit <u>www.youngart.org</u> **Deadline Friday, October 19.**

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 for more information.

Fellows Scholarship Competition (Gardner-Webb) - various scholarships offered through one program at Gardner-Webb that awarded for 4 years. Must have a 3.5 GPA or higher, minimum of 1150 on SAT (critical reading + math only) or composite score of 25 on ACT. If you are interested in being nominated, let Mrs. Sawyer know by **Thursday, November 1.**

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.ifklibrary.org **Deadline January 5**.

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

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

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!!



South Stokes College Fair

We are excited that once again we will be holding a College Fair here at South Stokes for Juniors and Seniors on Wednesday, October 3 during the school day. More than 70 colleges will have representatives on hand to discuss their schools. Parents are also encouraged to attend. Tentative times for Seniors to attend will be 11:00-11:30.



College Open Houses/Information Sessions

<u>Bridgewater College (VA):</u> October 20; November 17 Register at <u>bridgewatercollege.edu/visitcampus</u>

<u>NC A&T:</u> October 13 from 7am - 1:30pm. Register at https://aggieadmissions.ncat.edu/undergraduateadmissions/default.asp

NC State: Saturday, October 13 from 9am - 2pm - register at wolfpaw.ncsu.edu

<u>UNC Charlotte:</u> October 20; November 10 from 9am - 2pm Register at admissions.uncc.edu/visit

UVA Interest Meetings:

Sept 30 @ Cardinal Gibbons High School - 6pm Oct 4 @ Moore & VanAllen (Bank of America Corporate) -6:30pm

Be sure to check college websites for other opportunities for fall open houses. If you've not visited your schools of choice yet for campus tours, be making your plans for that as well. The clock is ticking!!

UPCOMING SAT DATES AND DEADLINES

October 6 - many registered for this date being offered at South - be here by 7:45 with photo ID

November 3 - register by October 4 - NEXT THURSDAY

December 1 - register by November 1

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

UPCOMING ACT DATES AND DEADLINES

October 27 - some of you may have registered for this one being offered at South - be here by 7:45 with photo ID

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