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Class of 2008 – How can it be that you are seniors already?

Your college counselors are here to help you through the college application process and hope that you will visit our offices often. If you have not yet met with your college counselor, please do so immediately. It is important to work closely with your counselor during the application process.

Please listen to the announcements and check your Raleigh Charter email for important messages from college counseling. Many college representatives are visiting our school. Check the Naviance site and the college counseling page of the RCHS site for information about visits. Sign up on the Naviance site or the sheets near college counseling if you wish to attend a meeting with the college representatives.

COLLEGE INFORMATION

Barnard College – has become the most popular women's college. Barnard students get the best of both worlds, according to the Fiske Guide, the small, close-knit atmosphere of a liberal arts school, along with the limitless opportunities of Columbia University. Whether they are passionate about art and music or urban studies and politics, women who seek a high-energy environment with top notch academics are likely to find a niche here. Barnard offers the intimate attention of a small, independent women's college with the resources of a major research university. Visit with a representative from Barnard on September 26.

Clemson University –has changed the admission process for the Calhoun Honors College and the National Scholars Program. You must submit your application to Clemson and then submit the application for the Honors College. Previously students were invited into the program but now you must complete the application. If you apply by December 1, they will send you a decision by December 15. The University Honors Program is for students who are very focused. This is the traditional honors curriculum at Clemson, providing stimulation and challenge in honors courses that satisfy general education requirements and in the junior and senior years, in depth study and research in the student's major field. The Calhoun Scholars Program is a more winding pathway for students who want the broadest possible undergraduate experience. Calhoun Scholars seek to balance their formal studies with opportunities to learn and grow outside the classroom. The National Scholars Program is Clemson's premier undergraduate scholars program and top scholarship. Students who wish to be considered for the National Scholars Program must complete and submit the Calhoun Honors College application and supporting materials no later than January 1.

Drew University - located in Madison, New Jersey on 186 acres of peaceful woodland in an upscale New York City suburb and is known as "The University in the Forest." According to Fiske's Guide "Some schools take the idea of a liberal arts education to the max.Drew University sends its students abroad for month-long educational ventures, promotes internships on Wall Street, and encourages theater and the arts to thrive.....Drew has grown into a place where an emphasis on hands-on learning, research, independent studies, and internships take the same rankings as performance in the classroom. From a tight-knit campus to far-flung study abroad programs, Drew offers its small body of students a wide range of opportunities in a classic liberal arts structure. 'It's easy to get involved, make friends, and feel like you make a difference,' says a senior." Learn more when a representative from Drew visits RCHS.

Grinnell College – The Grinnell Diversity Leaders Program is highly selective and seeks students seriously interested in Grinnell and a liberal arts education. Grinnell College is a place wide open to ideas and unusual perspectives. It is a place where diversity is defined not by just the color of skin, but also by differences of interests and points of view. The Grinnell Diversity Leaders Program offers a free trip to campus so you can

discover firsthand your place at one of the nation's top liberal arts colleges. Requirements are: high school senior, student of color or first in family to attend college, interest in liberal arts education. An application is available in college counseling and the deadline for submission is **September 28**.

North Carolina State University – now has admission deadlines with October 15 being the first. The final deadline remains February 1. Check the website for more information. <http://admissions.ncsu.edu>

University of South Carolina – Students who wish to be considered for the South Carolina Honors College and Top Scholars awards must submit their completed application along with all required credentials by November 15, 2007. To be considered for general university scholarships, excluding Carolina, McNair and Alumni Scholars, students only need to apply for admission by December 1.

SCHOLARSHIPS

American Red Cross Queen or Hearts Program – For more information contact Mary Hinton at hintonm@trianglearc.org.

AXA Achievement Scholarship — The AXA Achievement Scholarship awards \$10,000 scholarships to one student from each state as well as \$15,000 scholarships awarded to 10 national recipients. Applicants should demonstrate ambition and drive, determination to set and reach goals, respect for self, family and community. The application deadline is **December 15**. You can learn more by going to www.axa-achievement.com

Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship - The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation was established in 1986 by our local Coca-Cola Bottler to recognize outstanding seniors. Each year the Foundation awards 250 achievement-based scholarships. Fifty awards are for \$20,000 payable in equal installments over a four-year period. The remaining 200 awards are for \$10,000 also payable over a four-year period. The scholarship can be used for any line of study at any accredited U. S. college or university. Recipients are well rounded individuals with highly developed interests in their community. Applicants are evaluated on the following: demonstrated leadership in school, commitment to community, academic achievement, part-time employment. The application must be completed online at www.coca-colascholars.org. When you have reviewed the application, consult with your counselor for more specific instructions. Deadline is **October 31st**.

E. B. Kennedy Scholarship Program at Erskine College - Each year Erskine awards two full merit scholarships valued at over \$100,000. RCHS may nominate one student to be considered for this award. The criteria for selection are: Christian commitment, leadership potential, scholastic achievement, and vigorous outlook. Deadline is **October 15**. Expectations are that the candidates nominated will be in the top 10% of their class, will have a GPA of 3.5 or better and/or a SAT total around 1180 (1650 new scoring) or better. If you would like to be considered for this nomination, please see your counselor.

Georgia Tech Presidential Scholarship – To be considered for the Presidential Scholarship at Georgia Tech you must submit your application by **October 31, 2007**.

North Carolina State University Centennial Scholarship – For top students interested in NCSU and the fields of engineering, business management, chemistry, polymer chemistry, international studies, design, apparel, sourcing, fashion, merchandising or retail management. Up to ten scholarships will be awarded to freshmen entering the **NCSU College of Textiles**. If you are interested in these fields and plan to attend NCSU, please see Mrs. Atkinson. RCHS may nominate two students for this scholarship and we must do so by **November 1**.

Outstanding Students of America – Outstanding Students of America is a national organization dedicated to providing high school seniors with scholarships. The scholarships are \$1000.00 each and are payable to the college of the student's choice. Outstanding Students of America is seeking well rounded, intelligent students as recipients. The focus of the scholarship committee will be on students who participate in community/school involvement and maintain a GPA of 3.0 or above. Scholarship applications must be postmarked by **October 10** of each year. For more information and to download an application, go to <http://www.outstandingstudentsofamerica.com/>

St. Lawrence University Presidential Diversity Scholarships – for African American, Asian American, Hispanic American or Native American students. More information available at www.stlawu.edu

The Thomas Wolfe Scholarship at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill - This scholarship recognizes the exceptional young writer. The scholarship provides full undergraduate support for four years.. The Thomas Wolfe Scholarship will receive applications beginning **September 1st**, with the deadline for submissions being **November 2nd**. Complete information on this scholarship, including the application form, is available at <http://english.unc.edu/creative/tws>. If you have any questions, you may email Jenne Herbst at jlherbst@email.unc.edu.

University of North Carolina – Greensboro Merit Awards: Minimum qualifications are 1200 SAT or 27 ACT and 3.5 cumulative GPA. Awards are available in all majors. Must submit a UNCG application and complete a Merit Awards Program Application by early January. Applications available at www.uncg.edu/fia/meritawards. See poster in college counseling.

University of South Carolina Scholarships: McNair Scholars (\$60,000) and Alumni Scholars (\$20,000) must complete the scholarship portion of the USC admissions application to be considered for these awards. **November 15, 2007** is the application postmark deadline. Visit www.sc.edu/admission to apply. **Lieber Scholars (\$24,000)** is awarded to National Merit Finalists, National Achievement Finalists, and National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars. **Cooper Scholars (\$16,000)** Students applying to the University are automatically considered for the Cooper Scholars award but must generally present test scores of 1350 or higher on the SAT with a high school GPA of 3.5 to be eligible. **McKissick Scholars (\$8,000)** Students applying are automatically considered for the McKissick Scholars award but must generally present test scores of 1250 or higher on the SAT with a high school GPA of 3.5 to be eligible.

Washington University in St. Louis Danforth Scholars Program - seeks candidates who have exhibited a capacity for service and leadership, as well as academic excellence, and who will embrace the challenges of a rigorous academic curriculum. They are especially interested in students who stand out among their peers for their maturity, strong moral character, selflessness, and commitment to community. RCHS may nominate one student. If you are interested and think you may qualify, please see Mrs. Atkinson by **October 1**.

Contests

SunTrust Off to College Scholarship Sweepstakes – Fifteen chances to win. Apply online at offtocollege.info.com. For complete details, visit offtocollege.info or www.suntrusteducation.com

Recruitment Events:

Minority Student Medical Career Awareness Workshops and Recruitment Fair

November 3, Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C. All attendees are required to register online at www.aamc.org/medicalcareerfair by Monday, October 22, 2007. There is no fee. Local contact information is Brenda Latham-Sadler, M.D., Wake Forest University, 336-716-4271 or general information may be obtained from CareerFair@aamc.org or 202-862-6203.

Open Houses

Bryn Mawr
October 7-8, 2007

Fall Preview Days
To register visit www.brynmawr.edu/admissions/fallpreview/

Campbell University Professional Golf Management Visitation Day

November 12, 2007

To register visit www.campbell.edubusiness/pgm/

Drew University

October 8, 2007

October 13, 2007

November 9, 2007

November 17, 2007

Science Day

Discover Drew

Arts Day

Inside Drew

Register at www.drew.edu/cla/admissions.aspx?id=792

Connect with Tech (Georgia Tech)

September 23-24, October 28-29

November 11-12, February 17-18,

February 17-18, March 2-3, March 30-31

April 13-14

Register at www.visits.gatech.edu

Preview Georgia Tech

October 15, 2007

April 7, 2008

North Carolina State University

October 20, 2007-09-23

For more information or to register visit

www.ncsu.edu/openhouse

Savannah College of Art & Design

September 29, 2007

November 3, 2007

February 2, 2008

March 1, 2008

Atlanta

October 20, 2007

February 16, 2008

April 5, 2008

Savannah

Register for either at www.scad.edu/visit

St. Lawrence University

October 8

November 12

Reservations at www.stlawu.edu/admis/visitdays.html

University of North Carolina Asheville

September 29, 2007

November 10, 2007

April 5, 2008

8:45 AM – 2:00 PM

Register at www.unca.edu/admissions

University of Colorado Boulder

September 28, October 5, October 26,

November 2, November 9

Make reservations at www.colorado.edu/visit or
303-492-6301

University of Pittsburgh –**Discover Pitt Saturdays**

October 6, 2007

October 27, 2007

November 10, 2007

To register visit www.pitt.edu/~oafa

November 17, 2007

Wellesley College
October 14, 15 2007

To register visit www.wellesley.edu/admission/fall2007

Wesleyan University
October 9, 2007
November 12, 2007

<http://www.wesleyan.edu/admission>

North Carolina State University
October 20, 2007 9:30 to 1:00

Register at www.ncsu.edu/openhouse

Admissions Receptions

September 26

Johns Hopkins University – “Explore Hopkins”
7-8:30 PM at Marriott at Research Triangle Park
Reservations are required.
Register online at <http://apply.jhu.edu/receptions.rsvp>
or call 866.885.7848.

New York University
Durham, NC. To reserve space visit
admissions.nyu.edu/receptions or call 212-998-4524

Washington & Lee University
7:00 PM, North Raleigh Hilton
www.wlu.edu

September 30, 2007

University of North Carolina - Asheville
7:00 PM
Hilton Raleigh Durham- 4810 Page Road, Durham, NC
RSVP 1-800-531-9842

October 2

Get to Know MIT
Cary Academy Auditorium
7:30 - 9:00 PM
Questions? Contact MIT Admissions representative
Dhru Boddupalli at dhru@mit.edu

October 3

Washington University in St. Louis
7-8:30 PM at Double Tree Guest Suites, 2515 Meridian Parkway,
Durham, NC

October 21

Carnegie Mellon
2:00 PM, Hilton Triangle Park, 4810 Old Page Rd. Durham
Register at <http://my.cmu.edu/site/admission/page.counselors>>

Colleges Visiting RCHS

September 25 8:45 AM
 9:30 AM
 12:30 PM

Randolph Macon College
Furman University
Johns Hopkins University

September 26	8:45 AM 9:45 AM 2:15 PM	American University Sweet Briar College Barnard College
September 27	9:00 AM 9:45 AM 11:00 AM	Washington & Lee University Drew University Mount Holyoke College
October 1	11:00 AM 12:30 PM	College of Charleston University of Maryland Baltimore County
October 3	10:45 AM 12:30 PM	University of Connecticut Washington University in St. Louis
October 4	8:45 AM	The George Washington University
October 5	2:40 PM	University of Pennsylvania
October 9	1:30 PM	Davidson College
October 11	11:30 AM	Tufts University
October 12	8:45 AM 12:30 PM 2:30 PM	Salem College Duke University Northeastern University
October 15	2:45 PM	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
October 23	12:15 PM	Harvey Mudd College
October 26	10:30 AM 11:30 AM 1:30 PM	Lenoir Rhyne College Xavier University Middlebury College
October 30	8:45 AM 12:30 PM	Cooper Union Haverford College
November 5	11:00 Am	University of Richmond
November 8	9:45 AM 12:30 PM	Smith College University of Rochester