



Tuscola High School Senior Newsletter

November 2009

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Future Planning Night

Tuesday, November 3rd, 2009

5:30—6:00PM—Opportunity Fair in the THS Cafeteria

6:00—7:30PM—Presentations

Future Planning Night is for parents and students to learn more about possibilities after high school. The opportunity fair will include representatives from the military, a 2-year school, a 4-year public college, a 4-year private college, Haywood County Schools Foundation, CFNC (financial aid), employment agencies, and many more.

If you have any questions, please call me—Joy Sollie at 456-2408 ext.6014

We hope to see you there!!!

Congrats Seniors!

The following seniors
have received letters of
acceptance:

Justin McCracken-

Wingate and WCU

Chris Peterson-

Emory & Henry

Alecia Rhinehart-

Montreat College

Great job!

Please bring a copy of
your acceptance letters
to the Counseling
Center, so you can be
recognized.



MILITARY INFORMATION

Army:

Mitchell Mast
1-877-268-2103

Marines:

Justin Maggard
1-828-423-5708

Navy:

Eric Childers
1-828-508-3968

Air Force:

Mike Beutler
1-828-399-9029



COLLEGE APPLICATION DAY

During the week of November 16 – 20, 2009, College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC) and Carolinas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (CACRAO) will be sponsoring College Application Week. On **Wednesday, November 18th**, all seniors expected to graduate in June 2010 are encouraged to use the CFNC.org online application to apply for admission to a North Carolina college or university, if they have not already done so.

The purpose of this day is to acquaint students with the CFNC.org application tools and to communicate the importance of applying to college. In order to participate fully, prior to November 10, students will need to have a My CFNC Account. Also available is a College Application Checklist for students to download from the CFNC.org website (under Downloadable Resources on the left hand side of the screen or at CFNC.org/caw). We are encouraging all students to print and complete the College Application Checklist prior to the event, as it has all the information students will need to complete an online application. We anticipate that students and their families will need to work together in gathering the information listed in the College Application Checklist.

Families are welcome to visit Tuscola High School on **Wednesday, November 18th** to assist their child during the application process. In addition, if family members are interested in volunteering or guest speaking during the event, please let me know. Volunteers can greet and sign-in students, assist students with the completion of CFNC online college applications, or distribute information about financial aid opportunities.

If you have any questions please call *Joy Sollie*, at (828) 456-2408. Thank you in advance for your support of this exciting initiative to encourage North Carolina's students to make college a part of their future.



APPLICATION FEES AND FEE WAIVERS

No Application Fee Required

The following colleges and universities do not require an application fee for 2009-10:

All 58 colleges that are affiliated with the North Carolina Community College system

Barton	Mount Olive
Belmont Abbey	Lees-McRae
Catawba	Methodist
Guilford	Queens
Johnson & Wales	Salem
Warren Wilson	



Temporary Waiver of Application Fee

During College Application Week from November 16-20, 2009, the following North Carolina colleges and universities will waive the application fee:

Bennett	Greensboro	Mars Hill	Pfeiffer
Brevard	Johnson C. Smith	Meredith	St. Andrews
Campbell	Lenoir-Rhyne	Montreat	Saint Augustine's
Chowan	Livingstone	NC Wesleyan	Shaw
Gardner-Webb	Louisburg	Peace	Wingate

Application Fee Waivers Based on Financial Need

Waivers of admission application fees for students with a demonstrated financial need and for whom an application fee would create an undue burden are provided at all of the 36 private colleges and universities as well as all of the 16 University of North Carolina system campuses. Please note that NC A&T State University and Elizabeth City State University will accept these fee waivers only during College Application Week.

Application fee waivers due to financial hardship are provided to ensure that students are not deprived of the opportunity to pursue admission to the institution(s) of their choice. Application fee waivers must be authorized by high school counselors through the College Board fee waiver program, if available, or otherwise by high school certification on school letterhead stationery.

Students who are eligible for fee waivers for the standard college entrance tests are usually eligible for application fee waivers as well. Encourage students to talk with their school counselor well in advance of College Application Week to discuss need and availability. The school counselor will complete the fee waiver form which should be mailed in with the college application (if hard copy) or confirmation page (if application was submitted online). Only high school counselors can request fee waivers directly from the College Board; students cannot request these.

Fee Payment: Credit or Debit Card Required with Online Submission

Some colleges accept online applications only if accompanied by credit card payment for the application fee. If a student has a College Board fee waiver or needs to pay by check to these institutions, payment should accompany a paper copy of the application mailed to the admission office.

NOVEMBER CHECKLIST

- ✓ SAT Reasoning and Subject Test: November 7th. ✓ November 1-15: Early Decision applications.
- ✓ Purchase graduation supplies – cap and gown approximately \$39.00 and invitations approximately \$20.00 or more.
- ✓ Complete at least one college application by Thanksgiving. Participate in College Application Week at Tuscola.



Transfer to Four-Year Colleges and Universities

Many students begin their undergraduate studies at community colleges then transfer to four-year colleges. Studies indicate that students who spend their first two years at a community college and then go on to graduate from four-year colleges are as well prepared academically as those who go directly to four-year colleges. Community colleges and four-year colleges have formed partnerships to accelerate the transfer process, and counselors are available to assist with transfer procedures.



SAT SUBJECT TESTS

SAT Subject Tests are one-hour multiple-choice tests. They're designed to show your child's knowledge, and ability to apply that knowledge, in specific subject areas.

Most students take Subject Tests toward the end of their junior year or at the beginning of their senior year. Your child should take tests such as World History, Biology E/M, Chemistry, or Physics as soon as possible after completing the course in the subject. Your child will do better on other tests like Languages after at least two years of study.

You and your child can learn more about the individual subjects and how to prepare on www.collegeboard.com.