

Rutgers Future Scholars

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Back to School!

We are excited to begin a new school year and begin our academic year program! In this issue, we would like to share some of our Summer Institute highlights, and provide you with information regarding our academic program for this school year. As always, please let us know if there is anything you would like us to include in future Newsletters. Enjoy!

Rutgers Future Scholars Summer Institute 2012



The Rutgers Future Scholars Summer Institute 2012 was a success! Read on to learn more about some of our summer highlights.

Cohort 1: Select Cohort 1 Scholars had the opportunity to participate in an on-campus/college credit course experience this summer. Seven Scholars participated and their dedication to their class was evident. Other Cohort 1 Scholars had the opportunity to deliver a Team Building & Mentoring lesson to our new Cohort 5 Scholars, and their leadership skills were quite impressive! Their trip to the Jersey Shore this summer was educational and a lot of fun!

Cohort 2: Cohort 2 Scholars showed promise in their SAT Prep course, as they prepare to take the exam this year. They also stepped up as leaders and role models to the younger cohorts on campus and on overnight trips. We had a great time in Philadelphia and Camden, touring Rutgers, UPenn, and at the aquarium!

Cohort 3: Cohort 3 Scholars showed their growing maturity as they finished their first year of high school. They worked hard in their seminars and displayed a lot of personality! Washington D.C. and Baltimore was a trip full of cultural experiences for our scholars, and we had a great time!

Cohort 4: Cohort 4 is gearing up for high school, and truly dedicated themselves to their work this summer. Their lab reports in their STEM class this summer were particularly thorough and impressive. Our trip to Blairstown was an opportunity for personal growth and teamwork in a variety of outdoor educational activities. It was also great to see our Cohort 4 students learn from the older students on the trip and on campus!

Cohort 5: Cohort 5 exceeded our expectations this summer! Their curiosity and determination was quite impressive. The Scholars worked collaboratively on culminating projects to showcase their future career aspirations, and they were on display at the showcase July 31. Keep up the great work Cohort 5!

Our students had two unique opportunities to choose from in their Creative Arts classes this summer!

Our students in Performing Arts planned and executed every aspect of creating PSA videos focused on celebrating our differences and avoiding stereotypes. They truly dedicated themselves to their work and created some amazing PSA announcements!!

Students in Visual Arts learned about famous artists and their various techniques, and created an "Art-Zine" to showcase the various pieces they created. The link for their "Art-Zine" is below! Great job Scholars!!

<http://carfssummer2012.wordpress.com/rfs-zine/>

RFS Scholar Spotlight!

Cohort 1: Nafeesa Onque and Khalil Williams

Nafeesa participated in our college credit course, and her mentor was very impressed with the quality of work she produced. Khalil facilitated a motivating and engaging lesson for our Cohort 5 students, which is something to be proud of!

Cohort 2: Kelly Castillo and Henrique Fernandes

Kelly was recommended by her instructors this summer due to her attendance and Scholarly behavior this summer. Ricky was recognized for his class participation and his innovative ideas.

Cohort 3: Camila Morocho and Richard Borgeaud

Camila and Richard were recommended by their instructors due to their participation and quality of work in their classes. During the Blairstown trip, they were instrumental in assisting their Cohort 4 peers and utilized effective leadership skills.

Cohort 4: Jessica Vega and Yasmim De Almeida

Jessica and Yasmim are both very positive participants in Cohort 4. They both display Scholarly behavior and determination at all times, and served as role models for the other Scholars!

Cohort 5: Shaneeza Mohamed and Pedro Rolim

Shaneeza was nominated for her positive outlook and willingness to learn and participate in all activities. Pedro brings a lot of insight to the program, and was always a team player.



From L-R: Kelly, Henrique, Richard, Camila, Nafeesa, Jessica, Yasmim
Not Pictured: Khalil, Shaneeza, and Pedro

RFS Tutoring Update

RFS tutoring is mandatory for Scholars who have a "C" or below in any core subjects (Math, Science, English, History).

Scholars who attend tutoring regularly have seen a large improvement in their grades!!

Tutoring Schedule - Academic Year 4:00-6:00PM

Mondays Bradley Hall 148 and 110

Tuesdays BY APPOINTMENT ONLY Bradley 110

Thursdays Bradley Hall 311 and 313

Saturdays (after Institute) BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

RFS Parent Committee Update

RFS has an active Parent Advisory Committee that meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

All parents are highly encouraged to participate!

Remaining Parent Committee Dates: 2012

September 11, 2012

October 9, 2012

November 13, 2012

December 11, 2012

All meetings are at 6:30PM in Bradley Hall Room 148

Upcoming Events: Mark Your Calendars!

Scholar Academic Year Institute 2012

Saturdays 9:00AM - 2:00PM

September 29, 2012

October 13, 2012

October 27, 2012

November 3, 2012

November 17, 2012

December 1, 2012

December 15, 2012

February 9, 2013

February 23, 2013

March 2, 2013

March 16, 2013

April 13, 2013

April 27, 2013

May 11, 2013

May 18, 2013

Please ensure that all Scholars maintain the required 98% attendance rate!

Family Movie Night

Friday, November 9, 2012

7:00PM - 10:00PM

Attention Scholars & Families: Please join us for a fun-filled Family Movie Night on Friday, November 9!

Light refreshments and snacks will be provided. We hope to see you all there!

More information to come ☺