Rutgers Future Scholars

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Happy New Year!!

As we reflect on this year's holiday season, the RFS staff would like to express our gratitude to all of the members of our RFS family. This is another exciting year for our program, and it wouldn't be possible without the dedication of our scholars, their families, our staff, and all of our supporters. We thank you all and look forward to 2013!

Rutgers Future Scholars in the Community



Our Rutgers Future Scholars have had the opportunity to participate in many different activities during the fall semester. Read on to learn more!

RFS GOES TO SIX FLAGS! Our honor roll students for the 2011-2012 school year had the opportunity to attend a merit trip to Six Flags Great Adventure on October 13. Our scholars had a few scares as they made their way through the park during Fright Fest, though they bravely rode the roller coasters! We had a great time and are so proud of our students who earned this trip.

RU RAH RAH! On October 27, scholars travelled to the Rutgers New Brunswick campus to attend the Rutgers Homecoming football game against Kent State. The scholars selected served as Junior Mentors this summer on our various overnight trips. Though Rutgers did not bring home a win (despite our cheering efforts), it was a blast. The fireworks at the end of the game were a nice surprise too!



RFS FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT Scholars and their families came to campus for a night of fun on November 16. We hosted a Family Movie Night, inviting everyone to come and relax for the evening. Our Parent Advisory Committee did a great job in assisting with this event. Thank you RFS families and friends for a great night!

RUTGERS AGAINST HUNGER CAMPAIGN RFS participated in the Rutgers Against Hunger Campaign, sponsoring a family in need and providing them with various items as gifts for the holiday season. Our scholars and staff were very generous and helped us spread some holiday cheer! Thank you to all who participated!

COLLEGE APPLICATION TIME! Our Cohort 1 scholars have been working diligently this fall to submit their college applications! We'd like to recognize them for their dedication, and we can't wait to see what the future holds for each of them. ©

RFS Tutoring Update

Need help on an assignment? Need someone to review an essay? Need assistance on a school project? Want additional SAT prep? Have a "C" or below in any core subjects?

The RFS Tutoring program is here to help!

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

Mondays Bradley Hall Room 148
Tuesdays By appointment only
Thursdays Bradley Hall Room 311
Saturdays By appointment only

If any scholars are interested in becoming a peer tutor, please contact Mr. McKoy: mckoy@rutgers.edu

RFS Parent Committee Update

RFS has an active Parent Advisory Committee that meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. We have projects in mind for the spring semester and could use some more volunteers!

All parents are highly encouraged to participate!

Parent Committee Dates: Spring 2013

January 8, 2013 February 12, 2013 March 12, 2013 April 9, 2013 May 14, 2013 June 11, 2013

All meetings are at 6:30PM in Bradley Hall Room 148. We look forward to seeing you soon!

RFS Scholar Spotlight!



From L-R: Cindy, Julio, Kelly, Grace, Lana, Leonor, Genesis Not Pictured: Kyle

Cohort 1: Cindy Beaubrun

Cindy serves as one of our Scholar interns this year. A natural leader, she has demonstrated a great deal of responsibility in this role. Cindy was also recently accepted to Rutgers!

Cohort 2: Kelly Castillo & Julio Muchaypina

Kelly and Julio also serve as Scholar interns. They are working very hard on planning a RFS campus-wide event with Scholars on our other campuses. They are both doing a great job balancing their internship, school, and program responsibilities!

Cohort 3: Kyle Dwight

Kyle is recognized for his improvement in the RFS program and in his school community. His increased maturity and responsibility is evident. Keep up the good work Kyle!

Cohort 4: Grace Burga & Lana Vercellino

Grace & Lana both excelled in inventing a parachute for a project in their STEM Inventions class. They have both impressed Mr. McKoy during Saturday Institute with their attendance and participation in class. Way to go girls!

Cohort 5: Genesis Canela & Leonor Tavarez

Genesis and Leonor have both been elected as leaders in their school community, serving as Student Council President and Secretary. They also have perfect attendance for RFS. We are very proud of you both!

RFS-Newark Super Honor Roll Scholars!

Please join us in congratulating the following scholars for earning Super Honor Roll (3.6 GPA or above) for the first marking period of 2012-2013!

COHORT 2

Kelly Castillo

COHORT 4

Natasha Almanzar Mecca Bradley Emmanuel Christian Yasmim De Almeida Alexander Rosado **COHORT 5**

Oscar Cosme-Lopez Karina Gonzalez Haydee Lopez Adriana Noboa Larissa Oliveira Gonzalo Saavedra



Upcoming Events: Mark Your Calendars!

Scholar Academic Institute Spring Semester 2013 Saturdays 9:00AM - 2:00PM

February 9, 2013

February 23, 2013

March 2, 2013

March 16, 2013

April 13, 2013

April 27, 2013

May 11, 2013

May 18, 2013

Scholar Merit Opportunities

Scholars will continue to be recognized for their various achievements!

Attendance at Saturday Institute
Attendance and participation in tutoring
Honor roll 2012-2013 academic year
Scholarly behavior and mentorship

More information regarding merit opportunities to be announced.