

## Tuscola High School Junior Newsletter March 2013

564 Tuscola School Rd. Waynesville, NC 28786

# PLANNING CALENDAR

### **Spring**

- S Visit colleges of interest and get an idea of what works for you—small, large, public, private, urban, rural, etc. Meet with an admissions counselor to find out more about the college and what that particular setting can offer you.
- Narrow down choices and learn more about those colleges of interest in terms of majors offered, cost, scholarship opportunities, etc.
- If you are considering military academies or ROTC scholarships, contact your counselor before leaving school for the summer. If you want a four-year ROTC scholarship, you should begin the application process the summer before your senior year.
- Register for classes. Make sure you have all requirements for colleges that you are interested in. Some out of state colleges may have different requirements such as 3 units of a foreign language or an arts credit. Also consider North Carolina Academic Scholars requirements if this is an honor you wish to obtain.

## Summer

- (1) If you are an athlete planning to continue playing a sport in college, register with the NCAA Clearinghouse at www.ncaaclearinghouse.net
- Participate in volunteer work, full-time or part-time job, summer camp, or summer college program.
- 1 Continue updating your Portfolio of Activities.
- Download applications from colleges to which you'll apply. Check application dates—large universities may have early dates or rolling admissions.



- **REMINDER: Register for the SAT this Spring**
- Register for the SAT at www.collegeboard.com or come by the Counseling Center for registration packets!

Dates:

May 4 (at Pisgah), & June 1 (at Tuscola)

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Please let us know if there is information that you feel would be helpful for newsletters!

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## **New Opportunities!!!**

#### The American Legion Tar Heel Boys' State June 16-22, 2013

Junior males are eligible to apply and must demonstrate qualities of leadership, character, scholarship, loyalty and service to their school. Boys' State is a one-week hands-on learning experience for students interested in leadership and politics. Please come by the Counseling Center by March 22, 2013 if interested. A representative from American Legion will meet with you to go over the application. Please let us know if you have any questions!

#### Things To Think About: How To Make Your College Application Stand Out

In high school it's hard to stand out. You naturally want to be part of your peer group, and there are many cliques that define you before you know it. Who wants to be "different?" But, being different for the right reasons could actually help you go to the college of your choice. Why? All that you do in high school will be reflected in your college recommendations from teachers, principals, and coaches--even on your **transcript**. How you are evaluated by your school and through your guidance counselor's evaluation can help you with your college application and mean gaining admission to the college of your choice.

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## Summer Learning



Summer Fun Can Include Learning! What will you do with your time this summer? Do reruns on TV sound boring? Maybe you love the outdoors. Maybe you want to become a doctor, someday. Maybe you dream of starting a business.

Whatever you like to do, this summer you can learn something new, improve your skills and challenge yourself. This summer, you can do something that will help you get into college.

The <u>Directory of College Preparation Programs for K-12 Students in North Carolina</u> is a great resource to find a summer program that interests you. It's available online – free -

at <u>www.gocollege.appstate.edu</u>. The directory lists programs across the state, sponsored by colleges and universities, public schools and nonprofit agencies that will prepare you for college success. You can choose from programs in science and math, leadership, business, government, health careers, marine sciences, arts, humanities and more. You may also look under the Plan Tab on CFNC and Plan for College. There will be a search engine under College Preparation Opportunities.

Many of these programs require a stay on a college campus, so in addition to academics, you'll get firsthand experience living in a college residence hall and getting a sense of life on a college campus, maybe even in a different part of the state. Take a look and see if you can find a program that sounds interesting to you.

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