

DOUGLAS BYRD HIGH SCHOOL AIG NEWS

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DBHS's nominee for the 2017 Governor's School is Catherine W. Catherine is an AIG junior applying in the area of Natural Science. The Governor's School of North Carolina is a five-week summer residential program for intellectually gifted high school students, integrating academic disciplines, the arts, and unique courses on each of two campuses. The curriculum focuses on the exploration of the most recent ideas and concepts in each discipline, and does not involve credit, tests, or grades. The Cumberland County AIG Program has submitted nominees. Attendees will be announced in March 2017. To learn more about Governor's School, please visit the following website. www.ncgovschool.org



Academy of Scholars Cumberland International

The Academy of Scholars is a program provided by Cumberland County which consists of the top 10% of their Class from January of their junior year to December of their senior year. Academy of Scholars students have excellent academic records, contribute to the school and community and exhibit leadership potential. Activities involve monthly seminars related to college admissions and scholarship applications.

Academy of Scholars Class of 2017

| Beyonce B. | Dillon T. | |
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| Stevie G. | Tyheem W. | |
| Kayla H. | Kayla W. | |
| Travis R. | Jada W. | |

Cumberland County Schools County-Wide High School DEP Nights

A countywide DEP meeting was held in October. All of the high schools joined together to share AIG information. Each school also held an individual signing date.

This year, the meeting was held at Terry Sanford High School. The meeting was well attended and parent feedback has been positive. Each of the eight high school consultants gave a brief description of our various offerings and program components.

Parents were able to meet with the consultants to sign their DEP as well as ask individual questions or set up a conference.

Upcoming ACT and SAT Test Dates

| ACT- www.actstudent.org | SAT-www.collegeboard.com |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| December 10, 2016 | December 3, 2016 |
| February 11, 2017 | January 21, 2017 |
| April 8, 2017 | March 11, 2017 |
| June 10, 2017 | May 6, 2017 |
| | June 3, 2017 |

Seniors Visit WonderWorks

On December 1st, this year's seniors attended our sixth annual senior trip to Wonder Works in Myrtle Beach, SC. Wonder Works provided an active learning experience, sparking imaginations and challenging minds. Our seniors had fun exploring over 100 interactive and educational exhibits!



Upcoming AIG Enrichment Opportunities

February 2017 – Countywide AIG Arts Enrichment.

March & April 2017- Field Trips to FTCC (freshmen), FSU and MU (sophomores), UNCP (sophomores and juniors), Campbell (juniors), and UNC-Chapel Hill (juniors).

(These are the trips we have for now. We will keep you informed as we add more great enrichment opportunities!)

AIG Academic Performance

AIG students must maintain mastery or better in the area(s) in which they are identified. Mastery for AIG services is defined to be a "B" (80%) or better in the honors/AP level course(s) in English and/or math. Students whose grades fall below a "B" will be placed on advisement and a plan for improvement will be created. If, after two quarters on advisement, a student does not improve to a "B", he/she will be placed on inactive status in that area of AIG identification until their performance is again indicative of the need to be placed back on active status.

Juniors and Seniors Visit ECU

On November 3rd, AIG juniors and seniors had the opportunity to visit East Carolina University. Students met with admissions officials and current students. Admission requirements, Honors College, and other ECU information were discussed before the tour began. Students received an up close look at college life by touring the campus, which included lecture halls, the library, and sports facilities. AIG students dined in the ECU dining hall.



Juniors Visit NC State

On November 30^h, AIG juniors had the opportunity to visit North Carolina State University. Students met with admissions officials and college representatives before the tour began. Students toured the campus which included lecture halls, dormitories, and sports facilities. AIG students had lunch in the NCSU dining facilities and shopped at the bookstore.

