



KAUFFMAN
SCHOLARS, INC.

SCHOLAR Connection

July/August 2006

Upcoming Events

Class 3 Induction

August 19, 2006

Academic Enrichment Academy

September 5, 2006



College Tip:

When thinking about getting into college, students generally focus on grades, standardized test scores, recommendations, application essay, and college interview. While all of those are important, you must also concentrate on building strong areas in your personal achievements, special talents, geographical diversity, extra-curricular activities, leadership qualities, and athletic talents.

Scholars: They've Got Talent!



Thirteen Scholars showcased their talent at the first annual Kauffman Scholars talent show on June 24, 2006 at the majestic Lyric Opera in downtown Kansas City. More than 30 Scholars auditioned for the talent show, but only thirteen made the judges' cut. The judges were made up of both Life and Academic Coaches: Cedric Wesley, Sonrisa Rowh, Cynthia Robinson, and Jarius Jones.

Hosting the talent show was the one and only Sean Tyler from KPRS Hot 103 Jamz, number one Hip Hop and R&B station in KC. Tyler opened the talent show by introducing a young up and coming R&B group, Royalty, who performed a few of their original songs for the audience. Tyler also relaxed the nervous talents with light-hearted interviews before each performance.

Scholars participating in the talent show were Antone Townsend, dance, Joseph Bey, drums, Antonia Martin, poetry, Rachelle Brake, poetry, Jocelyn Chacon, flute, Courtney Germany, dance, Jerron Clopton, piano, Kaylee Sublett, piano, Giselle Armendariz, voice, Crystal Jones, voice, Tierney Woods, voice, and Mariah Robinson, voice.

The winners of the talent show were first place winner Courtney Germany, who received an iPod, second place winner Tierney Woods, who received a dual DVD/VHS player, and third place winner, Antone Townsend, who received a very nice radio.

Look in the mail for the next audition dates for the upcoming talent show. Scholars: Now That's Talent!



A Message from the President

Will You Walk the Talk?

Dear Scholars,

The beginning of the school year is a lot like the beginning of the New Year – it’s a fresh start, an opportunity to make resolutions about what you can do to live a better life. But the old cliché about resolutions is that it is easier to make them than it is to keep them!

When the school year begins, students sign up for a variety of committees, programs, and extracurricular activities. While saying you are a member of the band or the student council or the newspaper staff sounds really great, are you willing to follow through with your commitment to the activity? When you agree to go to practice three times each week, do you intend to show up, ready to give it your best effort, three times each week?

Legendary football coach Vince Lombardi once said, “Individual commitment to a group effort – that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization

work.” As Kauffman Scholars, you are asked to make a commitment to giving your very best to preparing for college, doing what it takes to get into college, and following through to ultimately become a college graduate. The commitment that it takes to succeed as a Scholar is the same type of commitment that it takes to thrive in all areas of your life.

Living with intentionality – saying what you mean and doing what you say you will do – is a way of helping yourself and those around you. Working together with others to accomplish a shared goal can make your life better and can help improve your community, your country, even the world! Demonstrating individual responsibility, reliability, and willingness to be accountable: those are resolutions to make and to keep in the new school year.

Best regards,

R. Stephen Green, Ed.D.
President and CEO

Coaches' Corner



Marilu Perez
Lead Academic Coach

“Leaders aren’t born; they are made. And they are made just like anything else, through hard work. And that’s the price we’ll have to pay to achieve that goal, or any goal.” - Vince Lombardi.

“Marilu, you need to put more effort in your school work. You are doing well but with a bit more effort you can achieve an A.”

As a student, I used to hear comments like these from teachers at school. No one ever explained to me what effort meant. My parents and teachers assumed that I automatically knew how to put forth or show “effort” in tasks that I needed to accomplish.

As scholars, you constantly hear people tell you to show some effort, but have you taken the time to think about what “effort” means to you? What is it? You might have a different opinion about what it means than your family and your peers. My definition of effort is the mental and

physical attempt you make in any activity with the intent to do or accomplish something.

As you evaluate what effort means to you, consider how much energy and time you dedicate to family, school work, community service, etc. Are you proud of the level of commitment that you demonstrate in school, at home, and in your community? If not, you need to re-evaluate the choices that you make as a scholar and the level of effort you commit to your education and to the things that are important to you. Regardless of the task, remember to put forth great effort, as effort determines success.

New Kauffman Scholars, Inc. Staff



Denise Hastings
Life Coach



Keven Benbow
Academic Coach
English/Language Arts



Scott Neubauer
Academic Coach
Math/Science



Amber Smith
Academic Coach
Math/Science



Jessica Mickey
Academic Coach
English/Language Arts



Tyrone Bates
Academic Coach
Math/Science



Pigs can't sweat.
Farmers use sprinklers
to keep pigs cool!

Word of the Month

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\LIM\, transitive verb:

1. To depict by drawing or painting.
2. To portray in words; to describe.

SAT Question

June Answer: E

Read the following SAT test question; then select your answer:

The perimeter of a 7-sided figure is 15. If the length of each side of the figure is increased by 2 units, what is the perimeter of the new figure?

- A. 17
- B. 22
- C. 24
- D. 29
- E. 30

Resources

www.nwmissouri.edu
www.uark.edu
www.ksu.edu

Making Sense Out of College Visits

As we come to a close for all of the College Residential Institutes, we want you to keep in mind that college is our goal for all Kauffman Scholars, and it is very important you continue to think and learn about what college has to offer.

Early exposure to a college/university campus will allow you to envision yourself as a college student, but visiting a lot of



college/university campuses can also be overwhelming. To help you remember your experiences at each campus, you can use the chart below as your template to organize your thoughts. When it comes time to compare colleges and decide where to apply, you will have compiled a valuable reference tool.



TEMPLATE

Date	University	Campus Size	Majors/Minors	Diversity	Student Population	Entrance Requirements	Tuition	Scholarships	Residence Hall	Dining Hall
8/15/06	Kansas State University	Medium	Business/Engineering/Agriculture	25% Minority Population	25,000 2.5 GPA Top 15% of Class	21 ACT per year	\$14,000 Does not include books or other fees or living expenses	Rhodes Scholarship Business Scholarship	Both Co-Ed and Gender halls, nice, community showers in most halls, Ford hall has suite style	Okay, large selection

Scholar's Voice



Tierney Woods
Class 2
Lincoln College Prep
Middle School

This Month's Birthday Shout Goes To:

Class 1

Scott Berry	7/11	Ariana Simmons	7/22
Jesus Flores	7/17	Ada Sims	7/25
Leroy Ford	7/26	Savonte Thomas	7/13
Caitlin Hurt	7/9	Skylar Williams	7/12
Chasity Jones	7/25	Kristal Jones	8/3
Lekedra Leaper	7/28	Brittany Jones	8/15
Mercedes Neal	7/9		

Class 2

Chirno Baldeh	7/21	Travis Cook	8/7
Kindrea Brown	7/21	Cheyenne Copeland	8/6
Cynthia Buford	7/8	Crystal Damian	8/1
Brandon Cann	7/25	September Garnett	8/29
Melody Coones	7/20	Markos Jones	8/2
Imuetiyan Eke	7/24	Lin Lau	8/8
Kristin Foster	7/3	Sandra Loaiza	8/12
Tori Howe	7/2	Susana Lopez	8/29
Erica McCoy	7/23	Mae'Isha Mitchell	8/6
Perla Ordonez	7/30	Curtika Nelson	8/21
Angel Ornelas	7/25	Javier Quinonez	8/5
Nighisha Perkins	7/25	Xavier Rider	8/25
Jessica Walker	7/30	Erica Roberson	8/8
Raanee White	7/2	Miah Robinson	8/23
Bryan Abascal	8/19	Mariah Robinson	8/23
Anthony Jomara	8/23	Casandra Rojas	8/11
Reyna Arellanes	8/7	Paul Scott	8/7
Jamie Berry	8/15	Kylie Taylor	8/23
Shanika Brake	8/20	Vincente Williams	8/19
Alexis Clark	8/11		



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