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CATA families,

We hope that parents will look over the Invest in Excellence flyer and information. This is the only instructional fundraiser that we have during the school year and if each family could donate we could purchase many items that teachers would like for classroom instruction. The PTSO would like you to know that any amount is appreciated. The flyer, also included in this Cougar Chronicle, lists some of the many items on teachers' wish lists. The PTSO would like to seek your assistance in obtaining the items on the teachers' wish lists to enhance instruction for our children. We have also included information on how you can help support the PTSO Teacher Thanksgiving Luncheon. We appreciate all you do for our teachers.

Please see this issue for pictures from trunk or treat, information from guidance on the new

SAT, a link for a survey about SAT tutoring, scholarships, summer programs for underclassmen, upcoming student life meeting and event dates, athletic information, information on our coat drive and blood drive, driver's education, and a list of students on the A and AB Honor Rolls.

Please take time to read over this newsletter. The Cougar Chronicles are also available on the website. The Cougar Chronicle, in addition to our website, will be the main form of communication from school to home. At CATA we will continue to work toward Leading the Way so that your child can lead the way in the future!

Go Cougars! - Dr. Kim Fisenne,
Principal

Dance Academy Presents...

COVERED CANVAS

NOVEMBER 20TH AND NOVEMBER 21ST, 2015
7:00 PM

\$5.00

ARTS INSPIRING ART
SILENT AUCTION OF ARTWORK AFTER PERFORMANCE!

CATA PTSO NEWS

It is not too late to join in the fun and opportunity to support the school - JOIN THE PTSO TODAY!!

The Invest in Excellence Campaign is underway! Thanks to those who have already sent in their check! We are off to a great start! Flyers went home with report cards last week. There is one attached to this Chronicle for your use as well. Anyone who donates to the Invest in Excellence Campaign will be added to our PTSO membership roster.



We have had some inquiry for information about matching gifts -We are a non profit 501c 3. Here is our Tax ID # and official name and address to use when requestion matching gifts from your employer.
Tax ID - 26-1542614 We are the Cougar Council. Mailing address is 600 Brewer Drive Monroe, NC 28112

By way of explanation, the items on the wish list are both departmental and academy in nature and are items that will extend the classroom educational environment, but are not essential and were not funded through the operational budget this year. Items that we are able to fund for the English, Science, History, Physical Education are items that will positively impact all students at CATA. Some of the academies at CATA have recently received funding and had wish lists items already purchased through those funding sources.

I am hopeful you will consider making a gift to CATA's PTSO as it will be a great gift to give back to the school!

Thanks to one and all!!

Kathie McKain kathieptsocata@gmail.com 301-514-1890, cell

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- **November 10 - 7:00 pm General Membership Meeting A Day in the Life of the Performing Arts Academy**
- **February 29 General Membership Meeting - Speaker - Susan Sutton More information to follow! Save the Date as you won't want to miss this meeting. She will also be speaking to the students!**
- **May 10, 2016 General Membership Meeting 7:00 pm**

We are getting close to being able to purchase the Deb Watwood Memorial Piano! If you are intersted in donating to make this goal a reality, contact Liz Branca at lmbranca@hotmail.com



Simple ways to support CATA - you must re-link each year!! Thank you!!

Support CATA when you use your VIC card at Harris Teeter. Link your card to our school's account - # 3612.

Support CATA when you use your Target REDcard. Link your card to our school's account - # 81011.



Thanksgiving Teacher Luncheon Nov 20th, 2015

The PTSO is hosting a Thanksgiving Luncheon for the staff on Friday, November 20th.

The luncheon will be served in Guidance during all three lunches. **Please bring your item(s) to CATA front office by 10:30 AM on Friday the 20th.**

If you are donating gift cards or wrapped gifts for giveaways, please drop those off in the front office as soon as possible.

Please take a look at the list linked below and sign up to help.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact either Alyson Flood at **704-604-5427** or Sarah May at **704-256-1561**

The PTSO thanks you for your participation and donations as we show our thanks to the wonderful community at CATA.

Here is the sign up genius link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4babaa2aa31-thanksgiving2>

INVEST IN EXCELLENCE

You are invited to participate in the PTSO at CATA annual Invest In Excellence campaign! It is a simple way for individuals, businesses and corporations to invest in CATA. 100% Tax Deductible! 100% of the money invested in CATA!

CATA Departmental Wish List for PTSO Invest Dollars
-this list represents some of the instructional needs listed by teachers

Music Production and Recording Arts – Equipment and Software
Theatre Arts – Storage Building for Stage flats/platforms
English Department – How to read literature like a professor set, Book sets
Pre-engineering – Balsa wood for building and bridge models
Science Olympiad – Balsa wood, goggles
Science Dept. – Test tubes, beakers, Bunsen burners, dissection kits
Information Systems – USB microphones, wireless keyboard/mouse
Math Department – Sturdy compasses, Airliners to work with Smart board
Technology – Smart board replacement

_____ \$100 donation
_____ \$75 donation
_____ \$50 donation
_____ \$25 donation
_____ \$_____ Other

\$_____ TOTAL ENCLOSED

Ask your employer about a matching gift program for charitable giving.

Please make checks payable to CATA PTSO and mail form to CATA at 600 Brewer Drive Monroe, NC 28112 or your student can bring to school!

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Email Address (_____

Phone: (home) _____ (work/cell) _____

Student(s) Name: _____ Grade:— _____

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Every Dollar touches Every Student, Department and CATA
Invest In Excellence Donations +CATA PTSO = Wishes Come True

Coats for South Carolina Flood Victims Sponsored by FCA



For



**Please drop off old and unused coats in the bin in
the front of the school.**

WorkKeys will be completed prior to Thanksgiving Break. Students will be notified of the day they will be tested.

What is WorkKeys?

The WorkKeys assessment is a multiple choice test that will be given online to seniors that have or are in the process of completing four Career & Technical Education (CTE) courses in a specific career cluster and consists of three sections (Applied Mathematics, Locating Information, and Reading for Information). The assessments measure skills such as reading, math, listening, locating information, and teamwork.

Why is WorkKeys Important?

These are skills that employers feel are critical to job success and can help students understand how they can improve their skills for better paying jobs. Students who take the WorkKeys tests have a clear way to demonstrate their abilities to future employers. A large number of students are entering the workforce without adequate skills to qualify them for the jobs they want. By increasing their skill levels while they are still in school, students increase their opportunities for higher salaries in the future.

What do your WorkKeys Scores mean?

Students have the opportunity to earn an ACT National Career Readiness Certificate. A certificate is provided at the platinum, gold, silver, and bronze levels. Students can use their results to identify jobs for which they are qualified for and improve on areas where their skills are weak.

How can you Prepare for it?

To prepare for the WorkKeys assessments students can login to Keytrain at: <http://login.keytrain.com> and enter their username: u+ your student ID # (ex. U1234567) and password: 8 digit date of birth (MMDDYYYY – March 3, 1997) (ex. 03031997).

For more information about the WorkKeys assessment and the Career Readiness Certificate, see your CDC (Mrs. Webb) or go to: <http://act.org/workkeys/careerseekers/scores.html>.

Aerospace Engineering

Students in Mr. Hardy's PLTW Aerospace Engineering class are building quad-copters. This requires a multitude of skills, such as programming, 3-D graphic design, building circuits and patience. Once they are complete and the control system is formatted. They are ready to fly. These mini RC quad racers can be up fitted with a camera for FPV (first person view).



Students then could engage in POD racing (named after a scene from Star Wars film Return of the Jedi).



Around Campus... *(for all home and away sports times, see Athletics section)*

The CATA website Calendar is a great resource—please see that on the [main CATA page](#).

Friday, November 6: SADD Meeting, 8:15 am (Rm. 604)

Saturday, November 7: NCTC Play Festival at Porter Ridge High, Perform at 8:30 AM and 3:45 PM

Sunday, November 8: Shooting Sports Practice, 2 PM (Take Aim Training)

Monday, November 9: CATA Holocaust Museum Tours; Debate Club, 3:45 PM (Rm. 209); Debate Team Practice, 4:30 PM (Rm. 209)

Tuesday, November 10: PTSO General Membership Meeting, 7:00 PM (Media Center); Student Council Officer meeting, 3:30 (Rm. 208); Gamers Unite, 3:30 pm (Rm. 217); Freshman Student Council Meeting, 3:30 (Rm. 111)

Wednesday, November 11: NO SCHOOL: Veterans Day

Thursday, November 12: Student Council Junior Class Meeting, 3:40 (Media Center)

Friday, November 13: SADD Meeting, 8:15 am (Rm. 604); Alvin Law Guest Speaker

Saturday, November 14: NCASC Western District Conference 8 am to 4 pm (All of CATA)

Upcoming Dates:

10/30 to 11/13—Band Fruit Fundraiser

11/2-11/6—Free College Application Week

11/11—NO SCHOOL, Veterans Day

11/13—Guest Speaker Alvin Law

11/14—NCASC Western District Conference, All Day at CATA

11/18: Red Cross Blood Drive

11/19—End of Second Grading Period

11/19 to 11/21—, Dance Concert, 7 PM (Auditorium)

11/21—Robotics Competition

11/22—Monroe Christmas Parade, 2 PM

11/23—Jostens Senior Make-up Day

11/23—Poetry Out Loud

11/20 to 11/24—WorkKeys Testing

1/25-11/27—NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Break

12/2—Report Cards

12/8—PTSO Executive Board Meeting, 6:30 PM (Media Center)

12/11 to 12/12—Holiday Collaborative, 7 PM (Auditorium)

12/14—CFNC Financial Aid Night, 6:30 (Auditorium)

12/16—Progress Reports

12/6 to 12/18—Benchmark Testing

12/21 to 1/1—NO SCHOOL, Winter Break

1/11-1/15—Final Exam and Review Days

1/12—PTSO Executive Board Meeting, 6:30 PM (Media Center)

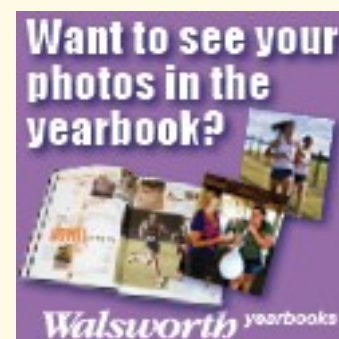
1/18—NO SCHOOL, Martin Luther King Holiday

1/19/1/20—NO SCHOOL, Teacher Work Days

1/21—First Day of the Second Semester

1/27—Report Cards

See page 13 in the chronicle.



Student Life Notes Upcoming Events:

Speech and Debate meets every Monday as a CLUB—from 3:45 – 4:30 and as a competitive TEAM—from 4:30 – 5:30 pm.

Attention CATA writers, have you been looking for a place to workshop your skills, critique your work, or just have time to write? Those interested in a Creative Writing Club see Ms. Tesar in room 610.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes will start having their monthly meetings the first Monday in every month.

The next SADD Meeting is in room 604 at 8:15 am on Friday, November 6

The Red Cross Blood Drive is coming up! It will be held on Wednesday, November 18th. This will run from 9-1:30. To sign up please see a HOSA officer during lunch.

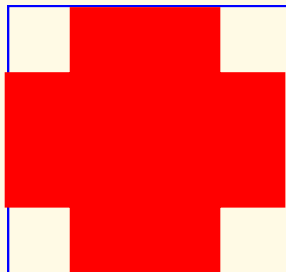
This spring, the Travel Club will be traveling to Germany, Prague, and the Alps. The deadline for signing up is coming quickly. Please see Ms. Foreman if you are interested in a great international trip.

There will be a Freshman Class Student Council meeting after school on Tuesday, November 10th in Dr. Tarlton's room 111. This is open to all freshman Student Council members.

The next Fishing Club Meeting is Tuesday, December 1.

BE a LEADER JOIN a STUDENT LIFE ORGANIZATION TODAY

Questions??? OR an announcement needed, please e-mail Mr. Wall at josh.wall@ucps.k12.nc.us



SAVE A LIFE
RED CROSS BLOOD
DRIVE



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18th
9 to 1:30
Sign up at LUNCH

COUGAR ATHLETICS

If you have questions about athletics or want to volunteer to help with athletics, please send an email to Athletic Director, [Coach Jay Niessner](#).

Varsity Results:

Football: CATA 20 – Forest Hills 57

Men's Soccer: CATA 2 – Parkwood 0

Cross Country: Men's Cross Country won Regional Championship!!!!

Women's Cross Country were Regional Runners-up!!!!

Upcoming Events:

Friday November 6 Football at Parkwood HS

Saturday November 7 Cross Country at Ivey Redmon Park for State competition

News & Information:

- Reminder that ALL paperwork MUST be turned into Coach Niessner before anyone can try out for a winter sport. Tryout tickets can be picked up at lunch through Monday 11/2.
- Spring & Fall sports will enter the mandatory NCHSAA dead period starting on **Monday November 2nd** and running until **Wednesday December 2nd** there will be NO workouts during this period unless the sport is still in season.
- Fall Sports Awards Night will be **Monday November 16th @ 7:00 pm** in the auditorium.
- Congratulations to the Women's Cross Country team on winning their first Rocky River Conference Championship.
- Congratulations to the Men's Cross Country Team for winning their third straight Rocky River Conference Championship



Make sure to follow all of CATA's athletic teams on Twitter: **@CATA_Athletics**

Winter Sports Starting Games Soon!!!

CATA Athletics Continued....

Fall Sports Head Coach Contact Information:

Athletic Director & Men's Soccer – Jay Niessner –

jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us

Football – Shane Griffin – edward.griffin@ucps.k12.nc.us

Volleyball – Doug Mayhew – doug.mayhew@ucps.k12.nc.us

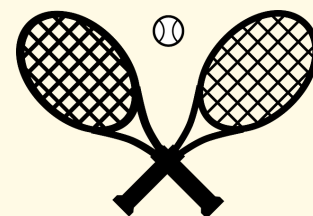
Cheerleading – Ashley Lawson – ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Women's Golf – Mike Jacobus – mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us

Women's Tennis – Nelson Rowell – nelson.rowell@ucps.k12.nc.us

Cross Country – Field Miller – field.miller@aol.com

Athletic Trainer – Sarak Hang – sarak.hang@ucps.k12.nc.us



Winter Sports Head Coach Contact Information:

Athletic Director – Jay Niessner – jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us

Cheerleading – Ashley Lawson – Ashley.lawson@ucps.k12.nc.us

Women's Basketball – Tony Byrum

Men's Basketball – David Daniels – david.daniels@ucps.k12.nc.us

Men's & Women's Swimming – Kelly Lepsig – Kelly.lepsig@ucps.k12.nc.us

Men's & Women's Indoor Track – Field Miller – field.miller@aol.com

Wrestling – Mike Jacobus – mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us

Spring Sports Head Coach Contact Information:

Women's Soccer & Athletic Director – Jay Niessner – jay.niessner@ucps.k12.nc.us

Baseball – Nelson Rowell – nelson.rowell@ucps.k12.nc.us

Softball – Doug Mayhew – doug.mayhew@ucps.k12.nc.us

Track & Field – Field Miller – field.miller@aol.com

Men's Golf – Mike Jacobus – mike.jacobus@ucps.k12.nc.us

Men's Tennis – Ken Neese – keneese@gmail.com



Hello, Parents!

You have been invited by your CATA coaches to sign up for **"Cougar Concessions."** Please click on the link below to view the online sign up sheet.

[Cougar Concessions—Please Click Here to Sign Up!!](#)

We need your help in our concession stands! Please sign up for a game date that you are available. Winter Sports starting soon!!! Thank you for your support. We could not do this without you!



Help support our neighbor—Wolfe School—by sending your **Box Tops and Labels for Education** into the CATA main office. Your support will help some of our most wonderful children in UCPS have a great school experience.

CATA Spirit Wear available online. Support the Band and CATA and get your spirit on.

To see all [available spirit wear for CATA click here!!](#)

Support our athletics and our Band of Blue at once by showing school spirit!!



CATA Guidance Department

A high school guidance department can help your student with a LOT during high school—counseling during a problem/or stress, college planning, career/college questions, interview skills, problem solving with classes/teachers, friendship/social issues. Counselors also help with scheduling and what courses to take. Counselors are available to answer parent questions as well. Please see the list of counselors by acade-

my:

[Ashley Lawson](#): Medical Science, Teacher Prep (Seniors only), Transportation & Guidance Department Chairperson

[Kendall Cameron](#) : Pre-Engineering and Performing Arts (theatre & dance)

[Mini D'Rozario](#): Information Systems (CyberSecurity, Computer Engineering, Software & Game Design) and Music Production & Recording Arts.

Viewing Student's Grades

- Parents can view student grades through the Parent Portal. Contact the school office if you have never obtained information on how to set up an account. If you had an account last year, the same account still works.
- Students can view their grades by using the my.ncedcloud.org on their chromebook (3rd icon—reads “HB-SIS Student-LEA-900”). The old Parent Portal is ONLY for parents, the student logins will no longer work on that link.
- A note about Canvas grades. Canvas is an instructional platform that is new this year. Teachers are using this to store resources, assignments, and at times—assessments. Teachers can score items on the Canvas platform and students can see grades for INDIVIDUAL assignments there. Students MUST remember that grades in Canvas only include Canvas-based assignments. Most teachers are grading more than what is in Canvas. The official grades are in accessed through the my.ncedcloud.org in that “HB-SIS Student-LEA-900” link. Averages of Canvas grades are NOT official grades. If students have questions they should ask their teacher or an administrator.



Seniors *Graduation—Fri.day, June 10, 2016 6:00 PM at Winthrop Coliseum*

Senior Graduation Packages: You can contact Jostens by calling 1-800-582-6376 or email Mr. Honrine at Honrine@jostens.com. Please note that to participate in the graduation ceremony you must wear the correct cap and gown.

College Recommendations: Be sure to provide staff with a minimum of 3—4 weeks time to complete a recommendation for you.

Need a transcript?? The first 3 paper transcripts you request are FREE; for each additional transcript you will pay \$2 OR you can pay a \$10 flat fee for an unlimited amount of transcripts. However, not all colleges need a paper transcript! If you use the Common Application or CollegeNet to apply, or if your college uses SENEdu, your transcript can be sent electronically by your counselor. For more information, please visit: <http://cata.ucps.k12.nc.us/guidance/TranscriptRequests.php>

The new Scholarship Newsletter has been emailed to ALL current seniors directly and is also available on the CATA Guidance Webpage at <http://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4530>

The [Scholarship Website](#) has the most up-to-date information on scholarships.

Scholarship Spotlight: The Robertson Scholars Program at UNC Chapel Hill & Duke University:

Top seniors applying to UNC Chapel Hill and/or Duke University are encouraged to submit the Robertson Scholars Program application. There is no such thing as a 'typical Robertson Scholar'. Our Scholars pursue a range of passions, academic interests, and personal and professional goals. While each Scholar brings their own skill sets, strengths, and personalities to the program, they share the following traits: purposeful leadership, intellectual curiosity, strength of character, and collaborative spirit. Recipients receive a four-year scholarship (including undergraduate tuition, mandatory fees, room and board); unique access to the academic and extracurricular offerings at both Duke and UNC-Chapel Hill, and more! For more information, and to apply, please visit: <http://robertsonscholars.org/about-us/mission/>.

Deadline: November 13, 2015

Union Power Cooperative is offering an exciting opportunity for rising seniors (current year Juniors) called the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour. The delegates selected will join hundreds of other high school students from across the country in an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. The Youth Tour is an annual event, coordinated by National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) and the North Carolina Association of Electric Cooperatives (NCAEC). The Youth Tour for 2016 is scheduled for **June 11 thru June 17**.

While in our nation's capital, the group will meet with congressional representatives, visit government agencies, and historical sites, as they learn more about government and cooperatives. We will be selecting (3) high school juniors to represent Union Power on the Youth Tour.

To be considered for the Youth Tour, students must fill out an application and write a 250 to 500-word essay on "What importance have electric cooperatives played in American history?" The essay must be typewritten. An application is attached and I will be sending a packet of posters and rack cards to your school in the next few weeks.

All entries must be postmarked by **December 7**. The winners will be announced in April. For more information you can visit: <http://union-power.com/youthtour>.

Link to the website with guidance information: <http://cata.ucps.k12.nc.us/guidance/guidance.php>

News from Guidance:

- The ACT is taken by all Juniors in North Carolina on Tuesday, March 1st.
- **SAT.... ACT.... PSAT....**LOTS of Info on the SAT and ACT is located on our School Counseling Tab of the CATA website. [Click here to go to the page for registration dates, costs, AND information on SAT and ACT prep.](#)



Please note that ALL juniors will participate in ACT prep at CATA during Cougar Time.

Summer Ventures in Science and Mathematics

Summer Ventures in Science and Mathematics (SVSM) provides an opportunity for current 10th and 11th grade students to foster identified interests in science and mathematics with its enriched program in a university research setting. SVSM is competitive entry by application only. Selected students participate in a rigorous, four-week academic program intended to reward and stimulate students who have already demonstrated their commitment to academic growth and development in science and mathematics. Students should be aware that the admissions committee evaluates both their academic record and their motivation to pursue science and mathematics activities beyond the classroom. SVSM is a state-supported initiative and there are NO program costs for participants.



Applications are to be completed online and can be accessed at www.summerventures.org. SVSM Admissions Policy requires that the student portion of the application must be completed on or before January 31st in the application year.

ATTENTION SOPHOMORES.....

Hugh O'Brian(HOBY) Youth Leadership Seminar:

HOBY's State Leadership Seminar was created for sophomores to recognize their leadership talents and apply them to become effective, ethical leaders. Selected students will spend 3-4 days participating in hands-on leadership activities. They will also meet leaders from North Carolina, and explore their own leadership skills while learning how to be a leader and have a positive impact on the community. North Carolina's seminar will be in June, but the dates have yet to be determined. 10th graders with leadership potential and/or ability are the target audience for this experience. If you are interested, please pick up an interest form in Guidance. In addition to the interest form, students must submit a resume and short essay (one page typed) in response to the following prompt: "Please describe the most rewarding and challenging aspect of being a leader in your school and community." The CATA Scholarship Committee will review essays and resumes in order to select one student representative and one alternate for CATA. For more information, please visit: <http://www.hoby.org/programs/leadership-seminars/>. All materials must be returned to Mrs. Cameron in Guidance. **Deadline: November 18, 2015.**

MORE ON the FOLLOWING PAGE....

CATA is looking into **offering an SAT prep course later this year** for our students. Instruction would be delivered by an outside company. Below you will find several options we are considering. Please help us determine which option most interests you.

Here is the link to the parent SAT interest survey:

<http://goo.gl/forms/pDBLbmDyVK>

UNC Chapel Hill Catalyst Conference 2016 Every year, the Catalyst Conference brings a selected group of 100 high school students from across North Carolina to UNC-CH for a weekend-long exploration of social justice issues affecting both America and the larger world. Through leadership and personal development sessions, we aim to empower participants so they can serve as catalysts for positive change in their own communities. The Catalyst Conference serves a vital need, as encouraging today's youth to take an interest in national and worldly issues is vital to securing an educated and passionate group of future leaders. These 100 students will face a challenging task; they will be asked to view the world through the eyes of another and come to a realization of the underlying similarities that connect us all.

The Catalyst Conference is a great opportunity and learning experience for developing high school students. The conference will take place on the campus of UNC Chapel Hill on February 19-21, 2016. A \$50 registration fee is required upon acceptance to the conference, which helps to offset the cost of housing and food for the entire weekend. Only **high school students in grades 9-11** are eligible for application. No seniors or students who have previously attended will be eligible. Applications must be submitted by Friday, November 11.

If you have any questions or comments, please email the Campus Y or the Catalyst Co-chairs at unccatalyst@gmail.com. Thank you for your cooperation as an integral part of the Catalyst Conference. **The 2016 Catalyst Conference application is online and can be accessed by clicking [here](#).**

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Programs for current 10th and 11th Grade Students

PROJECT UPLIFT Project Uplift is a unique opportunity that enables **high-achieving rising seniors** to experience college life on the Carolina campus. Students spend two days attending academic classes, meeting with faculty and staff, interacting with Carolina students, and participating in cultural and social activities. Students can select one of the following four dates to attend Project Uplift: May 19-21, May 26-28, June 2-4, and June 9-11. There is a non-refundable \$35 registration fee; beyond that, Project Uplift is an all-expense paid program, including meals, room, and program materials (excluding travel costs).

Who is eligible for nomination?

Project Uplift is designed for students from diverse backgrounds, including those from historically underrepresented populations (African American, American Indian, Latina/o, Asian American, first-generation college, rural areas and/or disadvantaged backgrounds). Students should be academically motivated, and be enrolled in the most rigorous academic curriculum that may include AP, IB, and/or dual enrollment courses. **Please know we will send additional information about the nomination process in November; however, if you have questions now, please email project_uplift@unc.edu.**

NORTH CAROLINA RENAISSANCE The North Carolina Renaissance program invites **rising juniors** from rural communities for an educational four-day enrichment program. Students will participate in specially designed sessions including leadership and team building, college admissions, financial aid, and community service. The objective of the program is to inspire high achieving scholars to pursue their educational aspirations while developing unique leadership skills. The program will run May 11-14. There is a non-refundable \$25 registration fee that covers all program materials, lodging, and meals (excluding travel costs).

Who is eligible for nomination?

North Carolina Renaissance is a program for emerging leaders from rural counties in North Carolina. Students should have some exposure to leadership and be academically motivated. **Please contact us at diversity@unc.edu if you have any questions about the nomination and/or application process.**

UPLIFT PLUS Uplift PLUS is a six-week program that takes place during Carolina's Summer Session II. High achieving, Project Uplift participants are selected based off of their outstanding Project Uplift applications. During the six-week program, participants will live in Alexander Residence Hall, attend a SAT/ACT session and enroll in English 105 – a 3 credit hour course. To further expand participants' knowledge of different academic and career fields, Uplift PLUS participants will gain exposure to units across the campus community. In addition to serving as daily program advisors, UP staff members serve as tutors and program facilitators. Participants will also have an opportunity to engage with important campus resources throughout the summer.

Uplift Plus is approaching its third year, and students who have participated have seen an average of a 200-point increase on the SAT, and a majority of participants have matriculated to the University.

Who is eligible?

Uplift Plus is for students who attend Project Uplift – outstanding students are invited to participate based off of their Project Uplift applications. **Please contact us at diversity@unc.edu if you have any questions about the nomination and/or application process.**

Applications for all three programs will be available at diversity.unc.edu by December 1, 2015.

Trunk or Treat 2015

Thank YOU



Want to see your photos in the yearbook?



Students and parents - you may now upload your photos to be used in the yearbook directly from the CATA website. A link is included in this edition of the Cougar Chronicle. Follow these steps to upload any pictures from fall sports, spirit week, Homecoming, and the homecoming dance:

Click on this link to go to the CATA page on yearbookforever.com

Click on "Community Upload"

Enter the code: cougars15

Upload the photos and fill out the correct information. Photos will be reviewed by the yearbook staff, and you just may see yourself in the 2016 Felidae.

CATA Science Olympiad Needs Your Help. Please see our list of needs below and send items into Ms. Cross, or the main office. Please email [Ms. Cross](mailto:Ms.Cross) with questions. Thank you all!!

New Items:

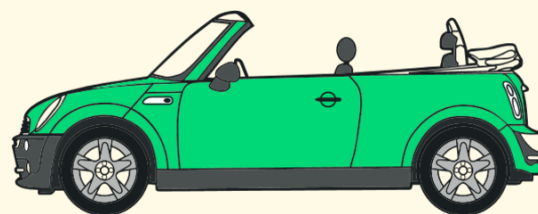
Super glue
Super glue accelerator
Tissue paper
Goggles
Freezer bags (pint and gallon sized)

NEW or USED items

Tennis/ping-pong/racquet/foam or plastic practice golf ball
Dry cleaner plastic bags (for parachutes)
Carbonated two liter soda bottles with labels attached

Plywood and other scrap wood
CD's and/or DVD's for construction
Used toy car parts frame, body, and or tires (larger sizes, not hot wheels)
Wood scraps (light weight)
Large screws, nuts, and bolts (all kinds)
Voltmeter
Batteries (AA, 9 volt, or a single battery pack labeled 7.2 volts or less)
Thin yarn
Empty thread spools
9 volt or less conductivity tester
Small plastic fan or propeller blades (no metal)
Styrofoam
Containers with lids
Broken simple machinery or devices for kids to practice taking apart and putting back together.

UCSP High Schools will be offering 2 more face to face **Driver's Ed classes** this semester. Classes are available to students 14 1/2 years old and older. Classes will run Monday through Friday for the duration of the class, and the times are from 4-7pm. The fee for the class is \$65 in the form of cash or check. Please see Mrs. Tweed in the guidance office for class schedules or to sign up.



Yearbook NEWS!!! Reserve your yearbook now to enjoy the great memories from this school year!!! Cost is \$85. Yearbooks were completely sold out last year, so don't get left out in the cold. Reserve your copy TODAY! www.yearbooksforever.com

Cougar Pride

- ⇒ Congratulations to Christopher Verrill for being nominated for the Belk Scholarship at Davidson College by the Scholarship Committee!
- ⇒ Congratulations to ALL of our A and AB Honor Roll students (see the last 3 pages of chronicle)
- ⇒ Congratulations to Kerrigan Laney for being nominated for the Prudential Spirit of Community Award by the Scholarship Committee!
- ⇒ Congratulations to Halen Mattison and Stephanie Eberly for being nominated by the Scholarship Committee for the Centennial Scholarship at NC State University!
- ⇒ Congratulations to Halle Scholar who has challenged herself to the **"Quote of a Champion" scholarship contest**. This scholarship challenges students to, "boost someone's self-esteem just by posting a positive or inspirational message." Applicants select quotes from a pre-approved list and post them all around the school to spread kindness and positive thinking. I posted 52 quotes around school: in bathrooms, on lockers and mirrors, etc. I had a few friends help me add color to the quotes and hang them up. Applicants were encouraged to tweet pictures of their quotes with the hashtag "Choose Kindness." Everyone who submits pictures of their campaign are entered to win a \$5,000 scholarship to the school of their choice. Great job Halle!! For more info go to <https://www.dosomething.org/campaigns/quote-champion#prove>

The NEW SAT

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The NEW SAT will have 154 questions and will last 3 hours



The **NEW SAT** will have **Math and Evidence-Based Reading and Writing**. **NEW SAT** will measure skills and knowledge students need to be ready for college and beyond. **NEW SAT** will better reflect what students learn in class and focus on math that research shows is used most in college and career. **NEW SAT** questions in the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section are passage-based, students are asked to support answers with evidence from a passage. The Essay Writing will be optional.



The **NEW SAT** scoring will range from 400 – 1600. **NO PENALTY** for guessing.

To find out more about the changes to the SAT please contact your student's school counselor or visit sat.org/new. #NewSAT



A Honor Roll

Yosy Almanza Castro, Benjamin Jedidiah Baer, Sabrina Liat Bell, Virginia R Bennett, Emily Nicole Breneman, Nicholas Jacob Brummitt, Alexis Elizabeth - Irene Cherry, Julian Henry Coley, Josiah Benjamin Dayton, Nicholas Colby Dellinger, Jordan Paige Donohue, Austin W Driggers, Marc Thomas Duemmler, Stephanie Grace Eberly, Matthew Taylor Gardner, Mark Benjamin Goodson, Andrew Kyle Gribble, Megan Elizabeth Gwyn, Raygan Myranda Hansley, Sydney Faith Harper, Brandon Thomas Hayes, Abigail J Hiley, Max Hockenberry, Makenna Marie Horkan, Gabriel Van Horne, Emilyann S Howell, Kyle Daniel Hrenyo, Bennett Ryan James, Nicholas John Jarek, Catherine Marie Jimenez, Jacob Paul Johnson, Aimee Ying Kerupetski, Rebecca Joy Komer, Kerrigan Brooke Laney, Dillon Patrick Laughter, Eann Michael Lawing, Timothy Clark Manning, Halen Garrett Mattison, Malasia Chanel McClendon, Olivia Ann McKain, Morgan Lee Medlock, Alexander James Merrill, Joseph Alex Miles, Whitney Madison Morgan, Garrett James Murray, Federico Pereira, Abril Carolina Ruiz-Lopez, Eliza Cosette Rust, Sean Patrick Sharp, Hallie Ruth Sholar, Margaret Mackenzie Simons, Savana Rae Smith, Hannah Rachael Spencer, William Duncan Stewart, Ryan Nicholas Temprile, Alexander David Thomas, Dylan Ambrose VanderSchel, Christopher D Verrill, Ryan Michael Weston, Andrew Jay Wood, Keith Clark Appling, Casey Dwayne Bigham, Jacob Daniel Butler, Isabelle Rose Downing, Sarah Catherine Everhart, Emma Mary Finnerty, Roberto Paul Fleming, Conor Rory Flood, Caitlyn George, Kristen Elizabeth Griffin, Elizabeth Ann Helms, Zealy Clare Helms, Hannah Nicole Hildreth, Darbi Lynn Holmes, Chasen Jordan Hunt, Adrian Q Johnson, James William Lewis, Brice Cameron Martin, Emma Pauline Marvel, Sara Joan McCarthy, Noah Aidan Minsk, Janay Danielle Nixon, Olusola Brianna Oni, Andrew Michael Pappas, Allegra Raquel Persico, Jose Guadalupe Rangel Tellez, Alexander Michael Reilly, Joseph William Ridge, Diana Guadalupe Sanchez Vazquez, Alyssa Elaine Sherrin, Suzu Finn Sidney, Catherine Alexa Starnes, John Chase Stewart, Earl Michael Styne, Brandon Lee Tedeschi, Kevin Andrew Vanderمولen, Ivan Guadalupe Villasenor Garcia, Alisa Shernet Wall, Kailey A Webb, Trevor Scott Weimer, Joshua D Weirich, Logan Christopher Young, Nancy Elvira Ayala, Taylor Lachelle Barnes, Garrison Lee Batchelor, Carrie Baumgardner, Haley Elise Beard, McCarty Helena Beckerman, Bailey Boryczewski, Stewart Daniel Bovi, Christina Pamela Bryan, Kahlil J Cabbie, Amon Deshawn Chambers, Ahzjai E Culbreth, Patrick Toby Cur, Paul Matthew D'Amico, Mark Christopher DeChant, Allison Tobee Dortilus, Jillian Halle Dunn, Luke Odell Edwards, Payton Farley, Casey Samuel Grem, Ceyda Isabel Guley, Benjamin Gundersen, Lisa Emily Hahner, Lanie Rae Hibbs, Harrison Alan Hockenberry, Mason Michael Horkan, Magdalene A Horne, Emma Rose Italiano, Susan Ily Jeanniton, Daniel Emilio Juarez, Sara Elyse Kalaf, Nicholas Cross Kent, Amy Elizabeth Kidder, Samuel Allen Knittel, Kelsey Lawing, Shannon Elizabeth Lawler, Carson Grant Long, Alexandria Faith Malta, Trace C Martin, Liam Patrick McNally, Brendan Lee Moran, Nicole Alexandra Nava, Jamie Angeline Nikonowicz, Dumebi Sharon Okocha, Olivia Milena Pepin, Grace Larryn Plyler, Keylee Noelle Ray, Rachel Lauren Smith, Colin Stewart, Karrington Nicole Wallace, Jenna Paige Werneth, Madeline Hailey Wilson, Maxwell Thomas Adelman, Alex Christopher Albrecht, Dante Christopher Almeida, Madison Taylor Almond, Lauren Grace Anthony, Abrey Kennedy Austin, Lauren Elizabeth Barnette, Caleb James Beckstein, Braxton Ray Bowen, Ethan James Cammer, Michael Salvatore Caputo, Colleen Fay Carrazzone, Josie Edison Carroll, Chloe Michelle Christoffer, Cameron Emery Clark, Aamar Malik Culbreth, Gianna Marie D'Auria, Duyen Ngoc Dao, Destiny Marie Dardon, Katherine Anne Dohrman, Cameron Blake East, Grace Micaela Fehlman, Katherine Marie Fiallo, John Eric Fincken, Ailey Brielle Finn, Katrina Nicole Focht, Danielle Marie Gama, Alana Brenae Gibbs, Miranda Dean Goodwin, Gillian Mackenzie Green, Jessica Nicole Hall, Emmanuel R Harris, Stewart Todd Harrison, Cristina Marie Harry, Alexander Justin Healy, Elizabeth Mae Hinson, Stephanie Caren Hodgins, Jeffrey Conrad Holzman, Douglas Trong Huynh, Jana Victorovna Iascu, Spencer Franklin Jarvis, Danielle Johnson, Grace Marie Joyner,

A Honor Roll (cont'd)

Renee Essi Kennedy, Julia Marie Kjelland, MaKenna Rose Larsen, Dianna Gayle LaTerra, Emily Kay Lawrence, Joshua Likes, Laureenne Hayes Losier, Katherine E Lyons, Meadow Rose Maddalone, Sophia Anne Maupin, Katherine Clark May, Jessica Faith Medina, Candice Sabrya Medley, Justin Todd Melhorn, Emma Lake Miller, Joana Montoya, Manasi Mudumbai, Sarah Ashley Mullis, Sophie Noelle Myers, Victoria Alexis Neff, Olusayo Nathaniel Oni, Savannah Leigh Owens, Andrew Lane Parker, Jay Edward Parrish, Daniel Joseph Peirano, Alex Thomas Pendergast, Ashton Wynn Petty, Rebecca Claire Rains, Christopher Ramirez, Brooke Madison Randall, William Nicholas Recher, Zane Michael Reep, Haylee Grace Ritz, Sahara Lane Roberts, Akua Deedee Sackey, Madihah Faisal Sait, Thalia Rose Salas-Zagacki, Shelby Leigh Schuster, Stephanie K Shue, Joel Emmitt Simpson, Kaitlyn Rachel Speiser, Aidan James St. Hilaire, Madelyn Amy Starr, Rachel Marie Stivaletti, Meghan Suzanne Surace, Nicholas Gary Swayze, Bobbie Makenzie Tucker, Kimberly Ashton Vandyke, Isabella M Walle, Grace Elizabeth Watts, Jonathan White White, Jack Peyton Wild, Robert James Young,

A/B Honor Roll

Alejandro Daniel Alamos, Jessie-Naree Appleyard, Shidarius Barrett, Joseph Stewart Basile, Jordan Nicole Berry, Caroline Elizabeth Blizzard, Albert James Blomberg, Bronte Alexis Bray, Kamaria Temia Browne, Sydney Marie Calcaterra, Madison Noel Carpenter, Yesenia Salinas Castrejon, Deyton Cristobal-Alan Cook, Ruben Cruz, Levi Caleb Diggins, Cameron E Dion, Julie Diane Dominguez-Sanchez, Evan Daniel Dutch, Joseph Lester East, Mackenzie P Fensterstock, Matthew Ferguson, Sophia Rae Ficarrota, Charles David Fisher, Tom Lawrence Fisher, Austin Jacob Franks, Logan Matthew Fulton, Yulisa Garcia, Ronald Wayne Geehring, Maia Rose Grullon, Derrick Dwayne Hall, Jessica Grace Hasty, Ashley Morgan Hedgepeth, Madeline Margaret Heyde, Christopher J Isaac, Luke Gregory Jones, Katherine Taylor Lamar, Rachel Mckinney Lathan, Lynsey Lewis, Katie Marie Lowery, Alyssa Nicole Macomber, Sabrina Sunshine Miles, Brett Matthew Mills, David Moberg, Lindsay Marie Moon, Audrey Claire Moore, Nathaniel Alexander Moore, Gunnar Ray Morris, Jack Heiland Muller, Brianna Margaret Orlando, Michael Angelo Ozoria, Tyler John Panek, Logan Brooke Polk, Keri Lynne Price, Hannah Elisabeth Register, Lorian Margaret Rendino, Kaylin J Ridge, Lilian Rodriguez-Sanchez, Austin Ryan Ross-Fortson, Anthony Sanchez, William Howie Sells, Zander Zoe Sidney, Anna Alexandria Smith, Taylor Kathryn Starling, Antonia Marie Sumcad, Landon Sawyer Turner, Zachary James Walker, Lamonika Wall, Evan L Whiteside, Emily Beth Williams, Nazirah Yasmeen Intisar Ahmad, Aryanna Danielle Allen, Kayla A Allen, OluwaTosin Oyenmwonosa Aluko, Tyler Scott Anderson, Jeremiah Piane Anneus, Jesse Ballew, Alexis N Bandhy, Anna Barber, Ava Brooke Beachum, Eric Steven Bevelhymer, Rayanna K Black, Molly Shane Boda, Mark Philip Boldyn, Ryan Matthew Boldyn, Kloe Nichole Brown, Courtney Theresa Bryant, Andrew Patrick Chard, Kaiya Brishaun Coffey, William Michael Cramer, Caitlin B Crump, Zachary Joseph Curtis, Rebecca Kathryn Dean, Katherine L Dixon, Emily K Dohrman, Anna Grace Drage, Emilee Meghann Duke, Alexis K Elko, Turner Douglas Finnerty, Luz Flores-Alejandre, Nicholas Cameron Forbis, Diara Lashawn Frazier, Morgan Sabrina Garrett, Andrew Gentry, Jade Nicole Graham, Shawn Matthew Grimm, Andrew Edward Hahner, Brian Emmanuel Halliburton, Charity R Haren, Hope E Haren, Samantha Nathalie Hector, Joseph Adam Hinson, Coleman James Hodgins, Annah Marie Jonas, Dakota Scott Kiker, Cameron Allen Klovstad, Brandon James LaRue, William Russell Leggett, Matthew Scott Leonard, Trevor Jeffrey Little, Kyle Christopher Long, Taylor Skye MacLellan, William Bryan Mann, Devon Lynn McCarthy,

AB Honor Roll (cont'd)

Thomas Jordan McCorkle, Andrew M McDow, Shelby Lynn McMurray, Dallas Kent Moelker, William Michael Nance, Ellis Reed Parlier, Karl Parlman, Marcus Joe Pierce, William Zachary Potts, Kaylee Anne Price, Ricardo Pupo, Tiffeny Ramirez, Joshua Joel Reeder, Zaria Ann Reep, Lindsey Patricia Reich, Kaylianna B Ritz, Richard Kyle Ronquillo, Reagan Ashby Rushing, Daniel Rudolf Ryan, Joseph C Schneider, James Patrick Stryka, Matthew David Thompson, Kayli Maree Tolleson, Cortney Rose Vartanian, Arianna Camila Villafuerte, Selena Villarreal, Maksim Visotsky, Keziah Monique White, Amaya Sorray Williams, Kaley Nicole Williford, Jacob Aaron Agnetti, Courtney Lynn Bagley, Bennett Batten, Ryan Charles Bianco, Taylor Morgan Bitting, Austin Lee Blevins, James Jordan Brown, Tyra Breann Brunt, Kortney Elizabeth Buckingham, Mattias Austin Bunn, Alexandra Jean Burnett, John Tyler Burns, Olivia Mae Burrell, Zoe Ayanna Butler, Joshua Brandon Campbell, Ryan Elizabeth Carroll, Matthew W Caskey, Aryn Mia Cooper, Ryan Juno David, Lauren Michelle Dellinger, Whitney Melissa Demera, Laurny Dickson, Thomas C Evans, Olivia Claire Fario, Shakilya Jenise Garrett, Garrett C Gilmer, Megan Louise Gioffre, Cassidy M Greany, Isaiah Leroy Hamilton, Andrew James Healy, Dana Adrianna Hernandez, Paul Joseph Hille, Gabrielle P Hoff, Victoria Elizabeth Hollifield, Makayla Marie Hrenyo, Christopher Lee Jeffcoat, Joy LeAnne Kelly, Priyanka Lala, Amaya Kiyomi Lewis, James Everett Littleton, Jonathan Lorrain, Noah David Makley, Jazmin T Manzo-Trinidad, Jacob K Martin, Jacob Weston McCollum, Anna Gabriella McIntyre, Sydney Paige McVicker, Alyssa Renee Mikeal, Alejandro Moran Estrada, Michaela Nico Morgan, Jacob Daniel Morin, Eugenia Morris, Hayden Elizabeth Newsome, Tyler Alan Palmer, Ciara Elizabeth Peters, Joseph C Pierno, Sarah Emily Pirozzi, Catalina Portillo, Bayleigh Ashton Poulsen, Emmanuel Vera Ramirez, Parker Scott Robinson, Sydney Kiera Saxton, Sydnie Joan Sells, Bryanna Isabel Sniatecki, Michael Laing Snider, Blessid Angel Snow, Paul Tyler Suggs, Jacob Wilson Tarlton, Tyler Adam Temprile, Taylor MaKenzie Thomas, Asahel Tinoco - Becerra, William Cameron Townsend II, Allyson Claire Vasquez, Kenneth Matthew Vega, Dylan James Vinicombe, Cayden Ray Wilson, Kathryn Jean Wittek, Evan J Wunder, David Rustamovich Ahmedov, Gaddy Alonso Aladzeme, Daniel Thoma Andrew, Juan Esteban Arias, Marilee Janett Avalos, Katelyn Elizabeth Averill, Colby David Baker, Meagan Danielle Briggs, Caitlyn Elizabeth Brown, Adrian Arnaldo Calderon, Megan Patricia Chard, Riley Gabriel Chickoree, Corina Zayda Childs, Zachary Taylor Clipston, Chloe Elizabeth Combs, Giselle Cruz, Bryan Jesus Cruz-Camargo, William Dabrowski, Victoria Grace Dennehy, Caleb Speight Eason, Barbara Jean Efird, Kevin G Gomez, Bryan Michael Gonzalez, Caleb Jackson Goodman, Maiah Isabelle Greene, Lorann McKenna Griffin, Daniel Arthur Gustafson, William Henry Helms, Davis Robert Hinson, Karson Noah Hoinkes-Hawkins, Molly Addison Jones, Rance Conner Jones, Elizabeth Ann Kamenick, Daniela Rose Knutson, Rya Maelan Kotarski, Alexander Edwin Lay Calvert, Peyton Riley Lee, Justin Alexander Leiner, Dmitry Peter Litoshik, James Blake Little, Auston Keric Main, Liam James McElhaney, Brynne Emily McKillop, Ethan Paul Moore, Clayton Samuel Musselwhite, Anastasiya Nikitina, Brenda Jasmine Ocampo, Ijeoma Lilian Okocha, Christian Richard Palin, Unique Tebazil Perez, Kersten Lillian Prince, Jourdan A Rayborn, Blanca Fernanda Rodriguez, Jessica Klich Rubio, Jessica Ann Sedotto, Mikayla Camille Shine, Sydney Patricia Smith, Haley Marie Starling, Paul Harrison Stroup, Josie Ann Studer, Vladislav Svarishchuk, Jeffery Blake Teague, Hunter Donald Thompson, Gianluca Tohala, Taylor Dan Tomescu, Gloria Caroline Tuttle, Karis Leigh Wallace, Landon Thomas Young, Karen Zapata,