

## Blue & Gold Express January 2008 Edition



### I. Dates to Remember

The School District of Greenville County is sponsoring four Financial Aid Workshops for parents and students. Please plan to attend one for information about the FAFSA, grants, work study programs, loans, etc.

January 8, 7:00 pm	Berea High
January 17, 7:00 pm	Hillcrest High
January 24, 7:00 pm	Greenville High
January 31, 7:00 pm	Southside High

### II. Scholarships & Financial Aid

#### ▪ SCAEOP Scholarship

Pursuing a degree in business, recommendation from a Business Education Teacher, recommendation from an administrator or counselor, one other recommendation required. "C" average and a "B" average in high school business courses. Applications available in the Guidance Office

Deadline: *February 1*

#### ▪ Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship

Academic Excellence (GPA 3.5 / Test Scores- Minimum 1300 SAT CR & math or 29 ACT) Eastside High can submit three applications. Applications are available in the Guidance Office and must be returned to Ms. Levesque by *January 25, 2008*

#### ▪ J.E. Serrine Scholarship

Graduating from Greenville County high school, Rank in Class, SAT or ACT scores (test scores not required if you enrolling in a technical school for non-college transfer program), and financial need      Deadline: *April 15, 2008* Applications available in the guidance office

#### ▪ American Planning Association Scholarship

Essay: "Creating a Green Neighborhood Plan" for more information visit <http://www.planning.org/institutions/hsessay.htm>. Electronic Deadline: *January 15,*

#### ▪ Hispanic Scholarship Fund

Hispanic heritage students: for more information visit [www.hsf.net](http://www.hsf.net) and select Scholarships for High School Seniors then select High School Scholarship Program from the menu for instructions to complete the on-line application. Deadline: *March 15, 2008*

#### ▪ AXA Achievement Community Scholarship

Ambition & drive, determination to set and reach goals, respect for self, family, and community, and ability to succeed in college. Download application at [www.axa-achievement.com](http://www.axa-achievement.com). Deadline: *February 15, 2008*

#### ▪ AES Engineers Scholarship

Not required to take Engineering courses to be eligible: essay of no more than 1000 words. Visit <http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.php> for topics and information. Deadline: *September 15, 2008*

#### ▪ Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation

Child of a Marine and your family income is less than \$77,000. Form more information visit [www.mcsf.org](http://www.mcsf.org). Deadline: *March 3, 2008* (if your parent has participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom there are additional scholarships)

#### ▪ Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarship

US Citizen or Legal US resident, financial need, academic record

1. RMHC/Asia – one parent of Asian Pacific heritage
2. RMHC/Future Achievers – one parent of African American or Black Caribbean heritage
3. RMHHC/HACER – one parent of Hispanic heritage
4. RMHC/Scholars – all students

Applications are available in Guidance office or online at [www.rmhc.org](http://www.rmhc.org) and must be postmarked no later than **February 15, 2008**

▪ **National Co-op Scholarship**

Students planning to participate in college cooperative education at one of the NCCE Partner Colleges and Universities (Drexel University, Johnson & Wales, Kettering University, C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University, Northeastern University, Pace University, Rochester Institute of Technology, the University of Cincinnati, University of Toledo, and Wentworth Institute of Technology) GPA 3.5 or better, essay. Visit [www.co-op.edu](http://www.co-op.edu) for an application. Deadline: **February 15, 2008**

▪ **Commitment to Agriculture Scholarship Program**

For youth from farm families planning to pursue careers in agriculture. Information and applications are available at [www.monsanto.com](http://www.monsanto.com) and [www.nafb.com](http://www.nafb.com). Deadline: **February 15, 2008**

▪ **MLK Dream Weekend Scholarship**

1. MLK Young Dreamer Scholarship – GPA 3.0
2. Coretta Scott King Dream Keeper Scholarship – female, GPA 3.0, outstanding community service in the Greenville Area
3. Greenville Technical College Dreamer Scholarship – GPA of 2.7, planning to attend Greenville Technical College

Applications in Guidance. Postmark Deadline: **January 11, 2008**

▪ **Adopt-A-Highway Scholarship**

Qualifications: child or grandchild of a current Adopt-A-Highway volunteer or high school senior who is an Adopt-A-Highway volunteer, essay (500 words entitled “The Benefits of the Adopt-A-Highway Program to SC and the Environment), GPA 2.5, attending a college in SC. Application available in Guidance or at <http://www.scdot.org/community/adoptahighway.shtml> Deadline: **March 1**

▪ **FAFSA**

Remember, you can now access the FAFSA online. Guidance will not receive paper applications but you can access them at [www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov](http://www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov). If you cannot complete the form online, please see your counselor. We can download one for you. These should be completed as soon as possible. Completion of the FAFSA generates a Student Aid Report which is needed for some scholarship programs including the J.E. Sirrine Scholarship and the SC Tuition Grant.

### III. Other Opportunities

- Congress-Bundestag Vocational Youth Exchange Scholarship Program – sponsored by the US Congress and the German Bundestag, this program invites graduating high school seniors to spend a year in Germany: learning the language, experiencing the culture, living with a host family, and gaining hands-on experience through an internship with a German company. Application packets are available at [www.nacelopendoor.org](http://www.nacelopendoor.org) (click on the travel abroad tab, scroll down, click on scholarships button or visit [www.nacelopendoor.org/travelling\\_scholarships.htm](http://www.nacelopendoor.org/travelling_scholarships.htm). Deadline: **January 31**.

