



2014 Benjamin Franklin Transatlantic Fellows (BFTF) Summer Institute

June 28-July 26, 2013 | Wake Forest University | Winston-Salem, NC

Do you know a teenager (16-18) who is interested in meeting young people from Europe, Eastern Europe, and Eurasia? Do they have an interest in learning more about transatlantic relationships, democracy and civic engagement?

The Department of Communication at Wake Forest University is offering 10 Scholarships for American students to attend the 2014 Benjamin Franklin Transatlantic Fellows (BFTF) Summer Institute. These Scholarships include the following:

- \$3,500 scholarship; Designation as Benjamin Franklin Transatlantic Fellow (covers tuition, activities, meals and lodging in WFU dorm, and partial travel funds to and from WFU)
- · Participation in all Institute events, including classes on: Citizenship, Comparative Constitutionalism, Social Entrepreneurship, New Media, Public Advocacy, all taught by Wake Forest University and visiting faculty.
- · Seven day educational trip to Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia, PA, including a visit to the State Department, The Washington Center and several sites including the Newseum in DC; Constitution Center in Philadelphia, etc.
- · Civic engagement activities, local community service projects and workshops on public advocacy.
- The U.S. Fellows would join about 35 Fellows on the Wake Forest University campus for a month-long Institute. The international Fellows are from over 40 countries ranging from Armenia to Iceland, Denmark to Kosovo, Malta to Lithuania. Applicants must be U.S. Citizens and 16-18 years old.

For further information and an application for the program, you can visit our website (bfff.org) or our Facebook page.





Help Proctoring Exams

We so appreciate your willingness to help proctor AP and IB exams. AP and IB exams will be held at the Buck Mickel Center located at 216 S. Pleasantburg Drive. Because we depend so much on our volunteers, it is essential that parents make a firm commitment. You should have received an sign-up email allowing you the opportunity to sign up. A copy of the AP and IB Exam schedule is located on the SHS website. "Training" sessions for exam invigilators will be held in April; dates will be forthcoming.





Registration for 2013-2014 Classes

Dr. Collins will be visiting English classes next week (February 24th-February 28th) to review the IB matriculation chart and talk with students about their class selections for next year in preparation for the registration process. Students will register online for their 2013-2014 courses beginning **March 17, 2014**. Please note that this process will be ongoing and registration needs will continue to be addressed once the master schedule is finalized.





Rising 11th Graders

Dr. Collins will be having a class meeting on <u>February 26, 2013</u> at 5:30 P.M. This meeting is designed to help the students prepare for the transition into the IB Diploma Program. The meeting will be held on February 26, 2014 at 5:30 P.M in the Media Center and is open to All rising IB Junior parents and students. Please make sure to RSVP by calling the IB Secretary Ms. Dean at 864-355-8715. This will provide information on the number of people we will need to prepare for.





Dr. Collins will be hosting a Freshman Orientation at Southside on Sunday, March 9 at 4 p.m. This meeting is designed to help the students prepare for the transition into Southside High School as a Magnet Student. The meeting will be held on Sunday, March 9, 2014 from 4:00 P.M. -6:00 P.M. in the Media Center and is open to All Incoming Freshmen and Sophomore parents and students who accepted their Magnet slot for 2014-2015. Please make sure to RSVP by calling the IB Secretary Ms. Dean at 864-355-8715. This will provide information on the number of people we will need to prepare for. They are a great group of students and parents, and we look forward to welcoming them into the Southside IB family!





Extended Essays!

Senior diploma students' extended essays have received an extension and are due to their supervisors and an electronic copy to me today. Their final versions are due by

Friday, February 14, 2014. After which they will be headed around the world.





Healthy collaboration and effective communication is important to student success. As advocates, you want to ensure that your child is receiving the best education possible and as an institution we are doing everything that we can to ensure that happens. As an invested stake holder in your child's educational process, you are creating a partnership with Southside High School and its IB Program. The needs of the child come first and the child's needs form the basis of all interactions. We, both the school and the parents, really want what's best for the child. Since we both want what's best for the child, then both are willing to share responsibility for the success of the child. Neither the school nor the parent blames the other for what's not working but instead we claim responsibility for school success. Effective Communication is key and as the IB Coordinator I want each stakeholder to understand what is best for all IB Students will always be first on my Agenda. There will be forthcoming emails in regards to events that will allow you to come in and discuss information with the IB Coordinator so we can have a forum of open discussion about the IB Program. Remember this is a partnership and we are here to ensure that the SHS IB Program is the BEST!!!!!





USC Upstate/BMW Manufacturing Academic Outreach Camp

USC Upstate/BMW Manufacturing Academic Outreach Camp is now accepting applications from rising high school seniors. All details are on the website listed below. The application deadline is March 10.

www.uscupstate.edu/bmwcamp







Rising Freshmen IB Parents and Students,

I'm writing to inform you of the IB Freshmen Class Meeting. This meeting is designed to help the students prepare for the transition into Southside High School as a Magnet Student. The meeting will be held on Sunday, March 9, 2014 from 4:00 P.M. -6:00 P.M. in the Media Center and is open to **All** Incoming Freshmen and Sophomores parents and students who accepted their Magnet slot for 2014-2015. Please make sure to RSVP by calling the IB Secretary Ms. Dean at 864-355-8715. This will provide information on the number of people we will need to prepare for.

Lavetta Collins, IB Coordinator







Sophomore IB Parents and Students,

I'm writing to inform you of the IB Sophomore Class Meeting. This meeting is designed to help the students prepare for the transition into the IB Diploma Program. The meeting will be held on February 26, 2014 at 5:30 P.M in the Media Center and is open to All IB Junior parents and students. Please make sure to RSVP by calling the IB Secretary Ms. Dean at 864-355-8714. This will provide information on the number of people we will need to prepare for.

Lavetta Collins, IB Coordinator