

Rutgers Future Scholars

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RU – Newark

Happy Spring!!

Hello Rutgers Future Scholars family and friends! We are pleased to introduce our newsletter, which will provide you with updates on events and activities that our scholars are participating in throughout the year, as well as some Scholar spotlights. Make sure you check your mail for your copy. If there's anything you would like us to include – please let us know!

Rutgers Future Scholars in the Community

At the Rutgers Future Scholars Program we take pride in forming partnerships in our community and encouraging our Scholars and staff to participate in various events around the city.

RFS MURAL PROJECTS Several of the Future Scholars did community service hours this summer in the Rutgers Future Scholars: Project I Am Creative Arts Program. The **Scholars** mural will soon be on display in Championship Plaza at the Prudential Center. Scholars are currently working on two transportation-themed murals which will be on display inside of Newark Penn Station mid-Spring. Information regarding the unveiling ceremony is forthcoming.

RFS AND NPS Rutgers Future Scholars held a meeting for all NPS guidance counselors on January 23, 2012 to discuss our program and application process. We would like to especially thank the 2012 Guidance Counselor Application Review Committee for their assistance this year. We look forward to continuing our partnership with the district to support our Scholars!

RFS AND GLASSROOTS This spring, our female Scholars were invited to participate in a new program, Girls and Glass, with GlassRoots studio located at 10 Bleeker Street. Scholars will learn how to craft various glass pieces working alongside GlassRoots artists, and attend female empowerment seminars. We look forward to seeing what our Scholars learn and create!



RFS Tutoring Update

RFS tutoring is mandatory for all Scholars who have a "C" or below in any of their core subjects (Math, Science, English, and History). Scholars with one "C" must attend 1x/week, and Scholars with two or more must attend 2x/week until grades improve the following cycle.

Tutoring Session Schedule 4:00-6:00PM

Mondays Bradley Hall Room 312

Tuesdays Bradley Hall Room 313

Fridays Bradley Hall Room 311

Any questions, please contact Mr. Dominick McKoy.

Please also contact Mr. McKoy if you have not scheduled an Academic Advisement meeting this year!

RFS Mentoring Update

RFS has launched the Scholar Ambassadors Program in 6 high schools throughout Newark to provide after-school team building & mentoring seminars that enhance public speaking, time management, college readiness, and academic leadership skills. **All Scholars enrolled in host schools are encouraged to attend, and may receive community service credit for service learning projects developed during the program.**

American History: Mondays 3:00pm-5:00pm

Central: Thursdays 2:42pm-4:24pm

East Side: Thursdays 3:00pm-4:30pm

Malcolm X Shabazz: Wednesdays 4:00pm-5:30pm

University: Tuesdays 3:30pm-5:30pm

West Side: Thursdays 3:30pm-5:30pm

Program pending in Newark Vocational High School

RFS Scholar Spotlight!

Cohort 1: Daja McAdams

Daja has worked very hard this academic year to improve her grades and her attendance during HSPA Prep and our Saturday Institute. Keep up the great work Daja; we are so proud of you!

Cohort 2: Darrell Real

Darrell, aside from doing well academically, was also able to participate in an internship experience in Washington DC this past summer! Darrell always has a positive attitude, and we are so happy to have him in the program.

Cohort 3: Tasha Kellam

Tasha has also worked very hard this academic year to improve her grades and regularly attends our Saturday Institute program. Way to go Tasha, keep it up!

Cohort 4: Diamond Baker

Always smiling and full of Scholar spirit, Diamond exemplifies what our program is all about! She has perfect attendance for our Saturday program, and she is also doing very well academically. What a great role model!



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Upcoming Events: Mark Your Calendars!

Scholar Saturday Institute

8:30AM – 1:30PM

Boyden Hall Room 100

Remaining sessions

March 17, 2012

March 31, 2012

April 14, 2012

April 28, 2012

May 12, 2012

Important Dates by Cohort

Cohort 1:

HSPA March 6-8, 2012
 SAT May 5 and/or June 2, 2012
 (register by April 6, 2012)

Cohort 2:

SAT May 5 or June 2, 2012 - optional
 (register by April 6, 2012)

Cohort 3:

No specific dates

Cohort 4:

No specific dates

Cohort 5:

Information Session April 21, 2012
 Welcome Session June 15, 2012

Scholar Summer Institute

Monday-Thursday

8:30AM-3:30PM

July 9-31, 2012

Certain cohorts and scholars may also attend overnight programming/trips on the weekends. Specific information to come!