



# Counselor's Newsletter

## March 2009

**Suzanne Blakey, Counselor**  
**Donna Clement, Counselor**

### Upcoming Events

March 6—ASVAB test (juniors only)  
March 12—Noon Dismissal  
March 13-20—Spring Holidays

April 2—Seniors pick up graduation invitations  
April 3—Senior videos  
April 4—ACT  
April 10-13—Easter Break  
April 13-17—Senior Trip  
April 14-17—Stanford Achievement Test  
April 18-21—Team Trek (juniors)  
April 25—PTF Spring Fling

### Juniors and Seniors

**North Mississippi Medical Center** is looking for volunteers for their Student Volunteer Summer Program-2009. If you are interested in helping your community this is an opportunity for you to work with patients and staff members in numerous areas throughout the NMMC system. **The deadline to submit an application is March 31<sup>st</sup>.** Early submission of your application will help your chance of acceptance. **For more information and an application, see Mrs. Blakey.**

### Sites to See

Listed below are websites with scholarship, and college information:

[www.ihl.state.ms.us](http://www.ihl.state.ms.us)  
[www.mississippi.edu](http://www.mississippi.edu)  
[www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)

*Discipline yourself for the purpose of  
godliness.*

*1Timothy 4:7*

*Leading students in partnership with Christian families to know Christ and make Him known  
through vigorous academics, challenging athletics, stimulating arts,  
and servant-hood activities.*

### ACT/SAT Testing Information

ACT Test Dates	Deadline
April 4, 2009	Feb. 27, 2009
June 13, 2009	May 8, 2009

For ACT inquiries: call 319-337-1000 or visit [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)  
\*\*It is highly recommended you take the ACT at least once your junior year.

SAT Test Dates	Deadline
March 14, 2009	Feb. 10, 2009
May 2, 2009	March 31, 2009
June 6, 2009	May 5, 2009

**TCPS High School Code**  
**253-009**  
**TCPS Test Center Code**  
**224290**

**ACE the ACT! Test Prep:** Date: Saturday, March 28th.  
Registration Deadline: March 24th. Time: 9:00 to 4:00. Fee: \$45.00. Instructor: Len Blanton. Location: UM-Tupelo, Room 206. Register online: [www.olemiss.edu/tupelo/continuing\\_ed/communiversity](http://www.olemiss.edu/tupelo/continuing_ed/communiversity) or by phone: 662-690-6205.

### Praise to Our Students:

**Alex Lyons and Carra Cockrell** are winners of the 2009 Wendy's Heisman Awards.

**Chris Vasquez** is the recipient of the 2009 Comcast Leaders & Achievement Scholarship.

**Darius Garrett** received a football scholarship with ICC.

**Neal Clement** will represent TCPS at the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Conference (HOBY) in Jackson, MS.

**Noah Douglas and David Vanlandingham** are recipients of the 2009 DAR Good Citizen Award.

**Congratulations!**



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#### Scholarship Opportunities

##### \*\*Approaching Deadlines:

**Luckyday Opportunity Award at Ole Miss**—Students must complete the Entering Freshman Scholarship Application, the Admission Application, & the FAFSA by March 1

**Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year (Sammy)**—Go to [www.bodybymilk.com](http://www.bodybymilk.com). Deadline is March 6.

**Project Hope Scholarship**—Deadline: March 13

**Kohl's Cares for Kids Scholarship**—Deadline: March 15

**MS Academy of Family Physicians Scholarship**—Deadline: March 30

**Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship**—Deadline: March 31

**Champions for Children Scholarship**—Deadline: April 1

**Scholastic Scholarship**—Deadline: April 18

**JT Neely Scholarship**—Deadline: April 24

**Remember to check our website for more information on scholarships.**

#### Financial Aid Information:

Students may now start applying to **FAFSA** and **MTAG**. The **FAFSA** website is [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) and the **MTAG** website is <http://www.ihl.state.ms.us/FINANCIALAID/html>

#### More Opportunities . . .

**Lifeguard Certification Training** will be conducted at Rob Leake City Pool. You must be 15 years of age. This is a great opportunity for summer employment at summer camps, country clubs, or public facilities. Here are scheduled dates for upcoming classes:

March 19-22, 2009

April 9-12, 2009

April 30 - May 3, 2009

For more information on the classes, please visit [www.tupeloparkrec.com](http://www.tupeloparkrec.com) or contact Amy Williams @ 841-6440

**Duke University Talent Identification Program, Summer Program:** This program's mission is to "identify academically talented students and provide innovative programs which support the development of their optimal educational potential." Duke provides high school students with fast-paced courses across the liberal arts and science curricula. To learn more or to apply, log on to [www.tip.duke.edu/fsi](http://www.tip.duke.edu/fsi) and access full course descriptions and download an application or apply online.

**Sophomores and Juniors:** If you are interested in attending **The University of Mississippi's Summer College** for High School students, you should see Mrs. Blakey. You must have a 3.2 GPA on 15 core courses if you are a junior and a 3.5 on 10 core courses plus a 25 on the ACT if you are a sophomore.

#### Attention: Grades 7 – 11

**Please remember to return course selection forms to Mrs. Blakey by Wednesday, March 11**

#### College Recruiter Schedule

March 3	Blue Mountain College
March 5	Mississippi College
March 9	Mississippi State
March 10	Delta State University
March 26	Samford University
March 30	Millsaps College