



UNIVERSITY ACADEMY'S COLLEGE CONNECTION

MARCH EDITION

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The **College Connection** is a bulletin concerning programming, colleges, important testing information, and general announcements. Please contact Ms. Wilson or Ms. Irby with any questions.

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2010-2011 Enrollment

Enrollment forms have been handed back to students to be signed by parents and guardians. Please make sure your student's form is signed so that Ms. Wilson can enroll him or her in classes for next year!



RU College Bound

Here at University Academy, we prepare our students everyday to succeed in a college environment. U.A. students grades 7-11 have been offered a great opportunity to gain more knowledge and become even better prepared for college.

RU College Bound is a program at Rockhurst University that enables middle and high school students to be paired up with current Rockhurst students as mentors. UA students will be tutored in areas where they need help, prepare for the ACT, and engage in college preparatory activities. This is a free program! We hope to see many of our middle and high school students take advantage of such an amazing opportunity!

For more information, please visit: <http://www.rockhurst.edu/services/service/collegebound.asp>



Above: Darren White reads Cat in the Hat to Micah Williams.
Right: Adrienne Griffin reads to Joye' Branch.

Class of 2010—A Class of Service

Seniors participated in Read Across America Week by reading to Ms. Pribnow's 2nd Grade Class. The second graders had a great time, and our seniors truly showed that they will be remembered as a class that valued community service and giving back.



SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Scholarship Search Sites

Ventures Scholars Program – www.venturescholars.org is available to all students interested in math and science based careers.

Scholarwise – www.scholarwise.com is a resource designed to help students locate scholarships sponsored by area businesses.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Missouri Banker's Foundation Scholarship

*Seniors planning to major in a field related to banking should apply.

*Deadline: March 26, 2010

*See Ms. Irby for an application!

Krause Family Foundation Scholarship

*Amount: \$4,000

*Seniors with a 3.0 GPA or above should apply.

*Deadline: March 31, 2010

*See Ms. Irby for an application!

National Council of Jewish Women Scholarship

*Variable amounts

*Seniors in the Greater Kansas City area regardless of race, religion, gender are eligible to apply.

*Deadline: April 15, 2010

*See Ms. Irby for an application!

Herbert Lehman Educational Fund Scholarship

*Amount: \$2,000

*Seniors may apply

*Application Deadline: April 30, 2010

*To request an application, write to: The Herbert Lehman Education Fund, 99 Hudson St., Suite 1600, New York, NY 10013

*More info. available at: <http://www.naacpldf.org/content.aspx?article=34>

Abbott & Fenner Business Consultants

*Amount: \$1,000

* Available to all high school juniors and seniors

* Deadline is June 19, 2010

* To apply for this scholarship visit their website at www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm.



or

NEW COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Way to go class of 2010! We are proud of you!

Baker University	Jesslyn Smith
Kansas State University	Shakera Garrard
Johnson County Community College	Jesslyn Smith
University of Nebraska	Para Reese-Stewart
Northwest Missouri State University	Para Reese-Stewart
Metropolitan Community College	Keva Weatherly

IMPORTANT DATES:

March 12—Early Dismissal Day

March 15-19—Spring Break!

April 6—Juniors visit Mizzou

April 8—Juniors visit Northwest Missouri State

April 10—All juniors will be taking the ACT Test!

April 13—Senior Group Picture in Graduation Gowns

April 30-May 2—Senior Trip to St. Louis!

May 10-14—Senior Finals Week



Junior Seminar Updates

Juniors have started reviewing our last section of the ACT— math! They will be reviewing and refreshing their memories on content as well as learning strategies to help them in this section for the big April 10th test.

Senior Seminar Updates

In March, Seniors will be learning about what it means to be a part of the Millennial Generation and how colleges cater to the needs of students in this generation. We'll also look at ways to get involved on seniors' specific college campuses and explore how to effectively communicate with professors.

We recently had some fabulous guests in Senior Seminar that enlightened us about the college experience.

We had an amazing alumni panel. Rashay Green, D'Angela Sims, Jeremy McCalley, and Noah Sparks came to Senior Seminar to share their personal experiences and pass on advice to our seniors.

Dr. Darden from Rockhurst University's Counseling Center came to discuss college Counseling Centers as resources for students as well as to answer questions about handling stress, anxiety, and changing relationships in college. He was very open with our seniors, and helped them put to rest some of their nerves about next year!

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Below are a few community service opportunities for you to participate in around Kansas City. Many students have found opportunities through community organizations, churches, or food pantries. Juniors are required to do 10 hours, and seniors are required to complete 15 hours. Remember to grab a community service sheet from Ms. Irby's room or the Community Service Bulletin Board in the Cafeteria, and have your supervisor sign it, so we can log your hours!

The Kansas City Youth Commission has an excellent website—yvckc.org— and many community service activities from which to choose.

After School Projects

TUESDAYS: Lakeview Village Retirement Community

Volunteers will be visiting with seniors, playing games, and assisting seniors to dinner.

Tuesdays from 4:00-6:00 PM

9100 Park, Lenexa, KS 66215

2nd & 4th WEDNESDAYS: Kansas City Community Kitchen

Help prepare food for 300-500 guests.

2nd & 4th Wednesdays from the month from 4:00-6:00 PM

415 W. 12th St., Kansas City, MO

THURSDAYS: Operation Breakthrough

Volunteers will be tutoring and reading to elementary school students in this after-school enrichment program.

Thursdays from 4:00-6:00 PM

31st and Troost, Kansas City, MO

Saturday Projects

Students **must sign up in advance** for these activities by calling (913)432-9822 extension 305 or e-mailing yvc_kc@yvca.org.

Harvesters Community Food Bank

March 13th from 9 AM—12 PM and 1 PM-4 PM

3801 Topping Ave., Kansas City, MO 64129

Volunteers will be sorting and packaging food for families in the Kansas City Area.

Spay and Neuter Kansas City—Community Outreach

March 13th from 9AM—1 PM

1116 E. 59th St., Kansas City, MO 64110

Volunteers will be canvassing neighborhoods in teams providing information, food, supplies, and education.

Spring Break Projects

Harvesters Community Food Bank

March 18th from 9 AM—12 PM and 1 PM-4 PM

3801 Topping Ave., Kansas City, MO 64129

Volunteers will be sorting and packaging food for families in the Kansas City Area.

Humane Society of Greater Kansas City

March 19th from 10:30 AM—2:00 PM

5445 Parallel Pkwy., Kansas City, KS 66104

Volunteers will be socializing cats, mailing, stuffing, and unfolding newspaper, as well as helping out in the clinic.

Operation International Children

March 19th from 9:30 AM—12:30 PM

1529 Atlantic St., North Kansas City, MO 64116

Volunteers will prepare school supply kits to be mailed to children in war torn countries.

**Some paperwork must be filed to participate in this project. Please contact the YVC for details.