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TO: High School Principals
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FROM: Mrs. Mary Ann Prevatte, AIG Coordinator/Facilitator for Students of Excellence

DATE: September 2019

RE: Students of Excellence Process 2019-2020

The Students of Excellence recognition program sponsored by the Chambers of Commerce is about to begin for the school year 2019-2020. At each high school, students at the four grade levels are given the opportunity to present themselves through a written application, once it has been determined that application guidelines have been met. Area chambers then review their set of applications and select **ONE** student who will be recognized as the Student of Excellence from that grade level, one representing each high school.

Enclosed is a copy of the counselor's packet, which includes the time schedule for processing applications and recognizing each group of students; also enclosed is a copy of the student applicant's packet. Mrs. Prevatte, who will be the liaison between the chambers and the schools, will be available to assist you in facilitating the process.

If you have any questions about the Students of Excellence process, please contact Mrs. Prevatte at 671-6000.

We look forward to your participation in this activity for 2019-2020.

Attachments: Counselor's Packet
Student's Packet

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STUDENTS OF EXCELLENCE – 2019-2020

SCHEDULE OF PRESENTATION DATES

Board Presentations to **Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen from Lumberton Senior High School, Early College High School, Fairmont High School, Red Springs High School, St. Pauls High School, and Purnell Swett High School** will be on **March 10, 2020**. The Lumberton Chamber of Commerce, Fairmont Chamber of Commerce, Red Springs Chamber of Commerce, St. Pauls Chamber of Commerce, and Pembroke Chamber of Commerce will make the presentations. The principals at each school should plan to attend.

Please **highlight** on your calendar the above dates for the Students of Excellence presentations.

Note: School Board Meetings are the second Tuesday of each month.

Chamber representatives and students should arrive at the Board Room by **5:45 p.m.**

Counselors please notify selected students and encourage students to bring their camera for photos.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROMPTNESS IN ALL PHASES OF THIS PROCESS.

Students of Excellence Process – 2019-2020
COUNSELOR'S PACKET
INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Attached are the materials for the Students of Excellence Process for 2019-2020 with a schedule for completing and returning the applications and for recognizing students at Board of Education meetings. Please review the entire packet so that you may explain the process to eligible students.

ALL ELIGIBLE STUDENTS in the targeted grade level should receive information about the process and should sign a signature sheet indicating an interest, or not, in the process. This signature sheet should be submitted with all completed applications by the due date. The signature sheets will not go with the applications to the local chambers. If questions arise as to the level of participation at a grade level or a school, those will be handled on an as-needed basis.

Remember the following criteria:

STUDENTS MUST HAVE A MINIMUM 3.0 Unweighted GRADE POINT AVERAGE

TIMELINE FOR ALL GRADE LEVELS

- Counselors should distribute appropriate applications by **October 4, 2019**.
- **Note:** There are different applications for each grade level.
- **One copy** of the student application is due to **Mary Ann Prevatte, by 3:00 p.m. on December 6, 2019**.
- Please **keep the original applications at school with one counselor**.
- Applications will be distributed to the various Chambers of Commerce by **December 13, 2019**.
- Chamber decisions need to be reported to Mary Ann Prevatte by **February 3, 2020**.

Guidelines

- Counselors should set up separate envelopes for each grade level for both blank applications and for completed applications.
- Counselors should sign the top form after checking that everything on the application is complete.
- Counselors should submit **one copy** of each application to Mary Ann Prevatte by the due date.
- This packet is also available on the AIG website.
- The address is www.roberson.k12.nc.us/aig

BOARD PRESENTATIONS FOR LUMBERTON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL, FAIRMONT HIGH SCHOOL, RED SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL, ST. PAULS HIGH SCHOOL, AND PURNELL SWETT HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE ON
MARCH 10, 2020.

STUDENTS OF EXCELLENCE – APPLICANT’S PACKET

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS

***Unweighted 3.0 GPA required to apply**
(A-B grades required for 9th graders)

Each Chamber Committee is looking for demonstrated effort and involvement in the school, community, and church activities sections. Be sure to show evidence of involvement by giving specific leadership roles or explanations of activities.

Adhere to the following requirements:

- Avoid acronyms.
- **Use a computer to type your responses for I-IV**; information on the cover page may be neatly handwritten.
- Number each section and designate which questions you chose for section III.
- Ensure all sections are included and at the desired length for each response.
- Meet your school deadlines.
- Ask your counselor or the AIG representative for help if you encounter problems.

**Public Schools of Robeson County
Students of Excellence
Student Presentation Form**

I. Presenter's Name: _____

School: _____

Name of Student: _____

Grade/Classification: _____

II. Unweighted GPA: _____

III. Three Outstanding Accomplishments/Activities the student has achieved:
(Please list three brief accomplishments-one for each area- that is relevant to the recipient.)

1. Academics: _____

2. Athletics/Extracurricular: _____

3. Community: _____

IV. Future Plans: _____

V. Recognition of student's parents/family

VI. Recognition of student's principal and counselor (after the last student)

Student Signature Sheet

I WILL PARTICIPATE	I WILL NOT PARTICIPATE

Student of Excellence Grading Rubric (for Chamber representatives)

Section	Score Range	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
I. Transcript	GPA X 2.5																	
II. School Activities	20 points Max																	
III. Church/Community	20 points Max																	
IV. A. Job Opportunity	10 Points for each for any two in A, B, C or D. (20 Points Max.)																	
B. Course of Study																		
C. Goals																		
D. Role Model																		
V. Essay Question	30 points Max																	
A. Cumulative Score Sub-total:																		
Subtract the following from the sub-total for failure to follow instructions																		
Not typed or printed (10 pts.)	10 points																	
Responses not organized	5 points																	
Essay length not reasonably within the 150-250 word range.	10 points																	
B. Cumulative Omission Points																		
Cumulative Score Table: (A-B)																		

Evaluator's Signature: _____

School: _____

Date: _____

**Students of Excellence Award
Senior Application**

This award is sponsored by the Chambers of Commerce in Robeson County. This application must be typed, except for blanks on this page which may be printed neatly; make attachments as necessary but retain original format. Please follow suggestions attached.

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
Name of High School: _____ Grade: _____

*Your official transcript will be attached by school staff.

- I. List school activities in which you participate and give your active role (for example: president, chairman, captain, etc.)
- II. List church and community involvement.
- III. Answer **any two** of the following questions, using 4-5 sentences each:
 - a. What field(s) of employment do you perceive will provide the best job opportunities for the next several years? Justify your answer.
 - b. If you plan to attend college or a technical/vocational school, what course of study will you pursue and why?
 - c. What are your personal goals for the future?
 - d. Most young people have one or more role models whom they admire or emulate. Choose one person after whom you would pattern yourself and discuss those characteristics which appeal to you.
- IV. Essay question: In a three-paragraph essay (approximately 150-200 words), answer the following question: Of what accomplishments are you proudest? You may reiterate or elaborate any points already mentioned in answering items a, b, c, or d above.

Signature of Counselor: _____
Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Students of Excellence Award
Junior Application

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Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Name of High School: _____ Grade: _____

*Your official transcript will be attached by school staff.

- I. List school activities in which you participate and give your active role (for example: president, chairman, captain, etc.)
- II. List church and community involvement.
- III. Answer any two of the following questions, using 4-5 sentences each:
 - a. What field(s) of employment do you perceive will provide the best job opportunities for the next several years? Justify your answer.
 - b. If you plan to attend college or a technical/vocational school, what course of study will you pursue and why?
 - c. What are your personal goals for the future?
 - d. Most young people have one or more role models whom they admire or emulate. Choose one person after whom you would pattern yourself and discuss those characteristics which appeal to you.
- IV. Essay question: In a three-paragraph essay (approximately 150-200 words), answer the following question: What one class, book, or experience has changed the way you think? You may reiterate or elaborate any points already mentioned in answering items a, b, c, or d above.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Counselor: _____

**Students of Excellence Award
Sophomore Application**

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Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Name of High School: _____ Grade: _____

*Your official transcript will be attached by school staff.

- I. List school activities in which you participate and give your active role (for example: president, chairman, captain, etc.)
- II. List church and community involvement.
- III. Answer any two of the following questions, using 4-5 sentences each:
 - a. What field(s) of employment do you perceive will provide the best job opportunities for the next several years? Justify your answer.
 - b. If you plan to attend college or a technical/vocational school, what course of study will you pursue and why?
 - c. What are your personal goals for the future?
 - d. Most young people have one or more role models whom they admire or emulate. Choose one person after whom you would pattern yourself and discuss those characteristics which appeal to you.
- IV. Essay question: In a three-paragraph essay (approximately 150-200 words), answer the following question: What current event/issue concerns you the most? You may reiterate or elaborate any points already mentioned in answering items a, b, c, or d above.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Counselor: _____

**Students of Excellence Award
Freshman Application**

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Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Name of High School: _____ Grade: _____

*Your official transcript will be attached by school staff.

- I. List school activities in which you participate and give your active role (for example: president, chairman, captain, etc.)
- II. List church and community involvement.
- III. Answer any two of the following questions, using 4-5 sentences each:
 - a. What field(s) of employment do you perceive will provide the best job opportunities for the next several years? Justify your answer.
 - b. If you plan to attend college or a technical/vocational school, what course of study will you pursue and why?
 - c. What are your personal goals for the future?
 - d. Most young people have one or more role models whom they admire or emulate. Choose one person after whom you would pattern yourself and discuss those characteristics which appeal to you.
- IV. Essay question: In a three-paragraph essay (approximately 150-200 words), answer the following question: (1). What is success? (2) What are the steps you would take to achieve one of your significant goals? You may reiterate or elaborate any points already mentioned in answering items a, b, c, or d above.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Counselor: _____

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Dear _____,

Congratulations! Your area Chamber of Commerce has awarded you the Student of Excellence Award for the 2019-2020 school year. Your academic, athletic, and civic accomplishments are commendable.

Your award will be presented to you at the Board of Education meeting on _____ at 6:00 p.m.

Best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely,

MaryAnn Prevatte,

AIG Coordinator