

# Upward Bound Times



# **College Visit to ETSU**

### **Upcoming Events:**

May 18– All Group "Honoring UB Seniors"

June 16– Summer Institute
Orientation (for new students that
have not completed a summer or
for any students that want to see
the new space due to construction
at SCC including the drop off/
pick up area before the first day
of summer)

June 22-Summer Institute Begins

**July 23-**Summer Institute Banquet

**July 27-30**-College Tour trip for eligible students

Saturday, March 21st Upward Bound students took a trip to visit East Tennessee State University. An admissions representative welcomed UB with a discussion about the different programs offered and financial aid opportunities including answering student questions. Afterwards, students were able to tour the campus with a student ambassador and learn more about the history of the university and campus life as an ETSU Buccaneer. To complete the visit, students

had lunch on campus at the cafeteria.

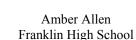
ETSU was founded in 1911 as East Tennessee State Normal School and then changed to East Tennessee Teachers College in 1925. After a couple other name changes, East Tennessee State University was official in 1963. ETSU has over 15,000 undergraduate, graduate and professional students. The university is located in Johnson City, Tennessee which has a population of 61,990.





# **Service Day At SCC**

# **50th Anniversary Open House**



Jessica Buchanan Smoky Mountain High School

Brooklyn Hensley Smoky Mountain High School

> Morgan Mohr Franklin High School

Rachel Schneider Swain High School Upward Bound students volunteered for the Southwestern Community College 50th anniversary open house celebration and scholarship scavenger hunt Friday, April 10th. When I arrived we met at the Upward Bound booth and were told by staff we



would be divided into three groups and have several duties for the day.

First, my group was available to guide guests that arrived to the correct buildings and answer any questions. Second, my group practiced our speeches and then represented Upward Bound at our booth to share information about our program, as Upward Bound had also just celebrated 50 years. After volunteering our group took part in the scholarship scavenger hunt to learn more

about programs at SCC.



Volunteering for this event was well worth it. SCC's 50th anniversary celebration was one of the best volunteer experiences I've had.

By: Daniel Baldwin



## **Congratulations! Rites of Passage Leadership Program Wolves:** \*Rachel S. **Butterflies:** Amber A. Autumn P. Katlyn B. Naomy B. Autumn F. Christian Q. Laurel W. Emily A. Morgan C. Jessica B. Katharine M. Megan B. Kristina F. Erin M. Lyndsi Y. Brooke H. \*Anya W. \*Tristin B. \*Alysia F. \*Kylie P. \*Britt C. \*Chloe T. \* Indicates May Inductees

# A WORD FROM OUR WOLF... FINDING THE RIGHT COLLEGE FIT

Finding the right college for you involves much more than looking at your transcript and test scores. For me, the college that I connected with the most was not the one I had always thought I would. Right now, you might have a college in mind that seems to be your "ideal" school. Maybe it's because it has the highest scores you can reach or because your family has always gone there. Or maybe you're like me and your parents' love their football team and you've been sporting their gear since before you were born. But that doesn't mean anything until you start searching for yourself, independently.

My top college choice was always the University of Florida. They had my major, I fit their scores, (the first two things you're going to be forced to look at), and my family was stock full of Gator fans. But before I got into UF, I wanted to tour my second choice school. Florida

State University, just in case. When I got there, though, it quickly became my first choice. Not only did everyone seem welcoming and friendly, I had that special feeling that everyone always tells you about on campus and I just knew it was the right choice for me. UF wasn't ever like that for me. It had a beautiful campus and some of the best academic rankings in the nation, but I wouldn't have been as proud to be a part of their upcoming freshman class. The main aspect to finding your dream school is that feeling you get when you step on their cam-

Not only do you need to feel like you want to be at your dream school, you need to feel like they want you to be there. Scholarships are obviously one of, if not the most important influence in choosing your school. After touring FSU and battling with my past intuitions, I ended up picking UF for a short while

after I was accepted there. Until one day when I checked my email and discovered that FSU had given me almost a full ride; a message I took as the biggest sign I had to become a Seminole. If you're on the fence about two schools, wait until your financial packages come out and decide on the one that gives you the most money.

If you get that perfect school feeling and they don't give you the financial support you were hoping for, you should still keep your options open. Outside scholarships are always there. This decision is one of the most important ones of your life and you should want to be proud of the choice you make. At the end of the day, you should go with what your gut tells you to do and set your goals as high as possible. And luckily for you, you have the amazing people of Upward Bound to help guide you along.

By Rachel Schneider

# Exciting News from our Alumni...

We are very thankful for the many visits from our alumni! Our students and alumni are amazing and we really enjoy hearing from them.



There is not enough room here to share all their stories, but we wanted to mention as many updates as we could:

- Kayti Sevigny graduated from the SCC Nursing Program in May and has already received a job offer with Harris Regional Hospital, Medsurg/Pediatrics Department
- James Whitt and Emily Donavan graduated from UNC-Charlotte in May
- Haylie Prottman is currently in Poland with the study abroad program at Berea College
- Heather Styles recently returned from a mission trip building homes in Choluteca, Honduras
- Brandy Cantrell moved to Sweden and just received her first job teaching English
- Lorena Yanez transferred to Western Carolina University as a New Century Scholar
- Jeremy Wilde finished first place for the Berea College Pole Vault Team, will be staying in Berea this summer to complete research, and was selected as hall coordinator for his dorm next year

#### **Congratulations!**

Over half of Upward Bound students received Academic Excellence (3.5 or higher) or Academic Honors (3.0 or higher) this academic year.

Keep up the great work!

# **Upward Bound Seniors**



Amber Allen
Southwestern Community College



Jessica Buchanan
Southwestern Community College









Brooklyn Hensley
Southwestern Community College
West Virginia University at Parkersburg

**New Century Scholar** 



Morgan Mohr
Western Carolina University



Rachel Schneider

Florida State University

University of Florida

East Carolina University

Full Out-of-State Tuition Scholarship Waiver

Freshman Academic Scholarship

# **College Connection:**

#### **Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College**



- Located in Asheville, NC
- 11,308 students enrolled in educational programs
- 145 acre campus, 22 buildings
- Unique Two-Year Degree Programs (not offered at SCC): Aviation Management & Career Pilot Technology, Baking and Pastry Arts, Construction Management, Dental Hygiene, Digital Media, Hospitality Management, Sustainability Technologies, Veterinary Medical Technology

Want to learn more? Visit this link: https://www.abtech.edu/aviation

### **Career Exploration:**

Aviation Management & Career Pilot Technology (BRAND NEW PROGRAM for FALL 2015!)

Do you enjoy the thought of flying or working in an airport? Did you know that over the next ten years there will be a pilot shortage of 36,000 jobs in the US and over 250,000 jobs worldwide?

Learn the fundamentals of flight, aerodynamics, aircraft performance, meteorology, navigation, federal regulations, aviation management, and instrument and commercial ground training. Optional course work includes flight and simulator training or business management training.



#### Summer Institute 2015

Summer is almost here and we are very excited about our upcoming Summer Institute! The dates are June 22-July 30, 2015, and our theme is "Pay It Forward", with the focus on exploring and sharing our knowledge, time, resources, and talents.

Our annual banquet will be held on THURSDAY, July 23 with student presentations and awards. The summer will culminate with our College Tour Trip to NC State, UNC-Chapel Hill, and other possible college visits.

There are plans for two major construction projects on campus and we will provide additional information as available.

Orientation night: Tuesday, June 16, drop in between 5:30 -7:00 pm. Please watch your mail for an RSVP.



## "Pay It Forward"

#### UPWARD BOUND SUMMER INSTITUTE 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
JUNE 22 SUMMER INSTITUTE 9am-4pm Monday-Thursday	23 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	24 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	25 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	26 "Edmodo Challenge"
29 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	30 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	July 1 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	2 Holiday	3 "Edmodo Challenge"
6 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	7 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	8 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	9 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	10 "Edmodo Challenge"
13 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	14 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	15 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	16 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	17 "Edmodo Challenge"
20 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm "Edmodo Challenge"	21 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	22 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm	23 Classes 9:00am-4:00pm UB SUMMER INSTITUTE BANQUET 7-9pm	24
27 28 29 30  College Tour Trip for eligible students!				