

Guilford Education Alliance Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

Friday August 20: Guilford County Department of Public Health *Teen Immunization Clinic*; for info or an appointment in Greensboro call 641-5563, in High Point call 845-7655

Monday August 23: Guilford County Department of Public Health *Teen Immunization Clinic*; for info or an appointment in Greensboro call 641-5563, in High Point call 845-7655

Thursday August 26: Guilford County Board of Education meeting; 6:00 pm; 712 N. Eugene St., Greensboro; [click here](#) for more information

Welcome to the Guilford Education Alliance newsletter. We hope you find this informative and helpful!

Also, be sure to join our [Facebook page](#)!

2010 Education Summit on December 2nd!



Keynote Speaker Ron Clark

North Carolina Native
Disney American Teacher of the Year
Making a Difference in the Lives of Children
[Click here](#) to learn more about Ron Clark!

Thursday December 2nd, 7:30 am

Koury Convention Center

Reservations available through the Guilford Education Alliance beginning in September

Participate in the 2010 Education Leadership Academy!

This October, the Guilford Education Alliance is hosting the 5th annual Education Leadership Academy! The vision of the academy is to inform, educate, inspire, energize, and empower diverse community members to actively engage in advocating, promoting, and supporting a high quality school system in Guilford County. Attended by 50 citizen leaders, the four sessions feature presentations from state and local education leaders on education issues. There is no charge to the participants.

[Click here](#) for more information and an outline of the four sessions. If you are interested in participating and would like to register, call 841-4332 or email

Tuesday September 14: Guilford County Board of Education meeting; 6:00 pm; 712 N. Eugene St, Greensboro; [click here](#) for more information

Friday September 17: College Fair for Historically Black Colleges and Universities; workshops and seminars on planning and preparing for college; 9:00 am to 4:30 pm; Dorton Arena, Raleigh; [click here](#) for more information or call (919) 967-1748

Friday October 1: *Diversity Leadership Conference - Building Your Return on Inclusion*; 8:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Empire Room, Greensboro; [click here](#) for program features and registration



The Teacher Supply Warehouse will reopen for shopping on Tuesday, Aug. 10. **New hours for the 2010-11 school year are 2:30-5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.** Now Guilford County Schools teachers can register to shop one of three days per week.

To donate materials to Guilford County Schools Teachers visit the Teacher Supply Warehouse

[Click here to learn more](#)

Support Guilford Education Alliance

Guilford Education Alliance is dependent on donations

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Schools Make Big Gains in State Tests

The state's school accountability results, or ABCs of Public Education, are in and students in Guilford County did well. Arguably the district's biggest success is moving all 10 of its low performing schools off of that list... [read more](#)

Teachers Visit Neighborhoods to Meet Students, Parents

There's still a little summer left, so imagine how surprised some students and parents were Friday morning when a small army of teachers greeted them at their front doors. Groups of teachers from Oak Hill Elementary went door-to-door in their students' neighborhoods to meet parents and remind them that Wednesday is the first day of class at their school... [read more](#)

Win-Win Resolutions Young Peacemaker Awards Banquet

Editor-in-Chief Emeritus of Essence Magazine, and the founder & CEO of the National CARES Mentoring Movement, Susan L. Taylor, will be the Keynote Speaker for the Eight Annual Young Peacemaker Awards Banquet, sponsored by Win-Win Resolutions, Inc. on Thursday, September 9, at 7p.m, at the Greensboro Embassy Suites Hotel. Win-Win will recognize six Guilford County middle-school student winners who have carried out peacemaking activities and provided positive leadership within their school. [Click here](#) for more information or call 230-1232.

UNCG School of Education Dean Search

The public is invited to meet and talk with the final candidates for the Dean of the School of Education on the following dates. All sessions begin at 3 p.m.

August 26, EUC Auditorium
August 30, EUC Auditorium
September 1, Curry Auditorium
September 8, Virginia Dare Room in the Alumni House.

State Test Scores Rise Sharply

Public school students made striking gains on state tests this year, resulting in nearly 88 percent of schools meeting academic improvement standards. The graduation rate also improved, to 74.2 percent from 71.8 percent, though males, some minority groups, low-income students and disabled students remained below the state average in earning diplomas...[read more](#)

NCPTA Addresses Obesity Issue

from the community for its operating expenses. Please consider making a donation to support our initiatives and work to promote quality education in Guilford County. Together, we can motivate our entire community to promote and support education for our students and our future.

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Learn how you can help fund projects in Guilford County Schools' classrooms through donations on DonorsChoose.org.

[Click here to learn more](#)

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Please join in thanking them for their support!

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One third of North Carolina adolescents are overweight or obese, impacting both health and academic outcomes. Recently, the North Carolina Parent Teacher Association (NCPTA) hosted a meeting of stakeholders to begin discussing the role of parent involvement in childhood obesity prevention. Participants represented national and statewide advocacy and non-profit agencies, state education and public health agencies, universities, school nurses, principals and parents... [read more](#) (scroll to story #5)

Home Schools Multiply in NC

The number of home schools has steadily increased across the state since home-schooling became legal in 1985, going from 381 schools that year to nearly 43,316 schools today, according to a recent report released by the N.C. Department of Administration, which registers the state's home schools... [read more](#)

N.C. Colleges Make U.S. News Rankings

From North Carolina, Duke University was tied for No. 9. Wake Forest University and UNC-Chapel Hill were among the schools tied for No. 28...For the fourth year in a row, Elon University is ranked No. 2 among 118 Southern universities. High Point University was named No. 3 among comprehensive colleges in the South. Last year, High Point was listed at No. 5 in the same report... [read more](#)

Increasing Divisions Around No Child Left Behind Legislation

The budget maneuvering around the bill designed to save teacher jobs brought to the surface increasing differences of opinion between Democrats and special interest groups supportive of President Obama. The differences surfaced when the U.S. House of Representatives voted to transfer money earmarked for Race to the Top funding to pay for the proposed teacher jobs bill. The Obama Administration threatened a Presidential veto if Race to the Top funding was jeopardized, leading to open disagreements between Democratic leaders in the House and the Obama Administration... [read more](#) (scroll to story #7)

School Clinics Await Funds From Health-Care Reform

School-based health centers, which provide comprehensive medical care to students beyond the standard school-nurse clinic model, are awaiting a big boost from the federal government under the law overhauling the nation's health-care system... [read more](#)

Grant Opportunities

Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro Seeks Grant Applicants for Educational Programs

Join Our Mailing List!

Deadline: August 31, 2010

The Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro is looking for youth programs in need. The Future Fund is accepting applications for organizations or programs that will make an impact or improvement on the education of local youth. For more information go to www.cfgg.org

Kids In Need Foundation Accepting Applications for Teacher Grants

Deadline: September 30, 2010

The School, Home, & Office Products Association's Kids In Need Foundation offers Kids In Need Teacher Grants to provide K-12 educators in United States with funding to implement innovative learning opportunities for their students.

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=302200022

Dollar General Literacy Foundation Announces Waiting List Reduction Grant Program

Deadline: September 30, 2010

Responding to increased demand for adult literacy services, the new grant program is designed to help nonprofit adult literacy organizations remedy their waiting list issues and get more students involved in educational programs sooner.

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=305000029

Youth Service America Announces New Round of Service-Learning Grants to Fight Childhood Obesity

Deadline: October 22, 2010

Youth Service America and UnitedHealth Group are encouraging youth to create and implement programs addressing childhood obesity in their local communities through the Heroes program.

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=305000027

Applications Invited for National Center for Family Literacy Library Grants

Deadline: November 12, 2010

Better World Books and the National Center for Family Literacy are teaming up again this year to provide Libraries and Families Award grants for libraries with exceptional family programming.

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=305000031

Keepers in the Classroom - NC Zoo

*Bring a NC Zookeeper to your classroom to present a fascinating program!

*Programs meet Standard Course of Study objectives and the zoo pays all the cost!

*If you want to implement a classroom environmental project- ie: a butterfly garden, bird feeding station, arts display around nature themes, compost site, recycling program- we will pay up to \$500.00 to support your efforts if you have a Keeper program. Go to www.nczoo.org and click on the Education Link to fill out an application.

To make a contribution to support the valuable programs of Guilford Education Alliance, visit <http://www.guilfordeducationalliance.org/support/index.php>

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