

## Other Learning Opportunities

**2009 PETROLEUM ENGINEERING RECRUITING FAIR** sponsored by the Society of Petroleum Engineers will be on Monday, November 9, 2009 from 6:00-9:00 pm at Cy Lakes High School. Students are encouraged to attend to explore possible careers in petroleum engineering and learn about available scholarships. Texas A&M, University of Houston, Colorado School of Mines, New Mexico Tech, Penn State, Houston Community College, University of Tulsa, and University of Texas will be in attendance. For more information, email Mrs. Harris at [eyetee.org.usa@gmail.com](mailto:eyetee.org.usa@gmail.com).

**HIGH SCHOOL AEROSPACE SCHOLARS (HAS) 2009-2010** HAS will enable selected Texas high school students to explore and become part of NASA's plan for space exploration, which will send humans back to the moon, then on to Mars and beyond. After completing 10 web-based assignments during the school year, they will travel to Johnson Space Center in Houston during the summer and use those same skills to help investigate options for sending humans to Mars alongside their peers and real NASA scientists and engineers. This program is at no expense to students, and upon completion of HAS, students may receive a science elective credit towards graduation as approved by the Texas Education Agency.

Eligible students are required to meet the following criteria:

- U.S. citizen
- Texas resident
- Currently a high school junior
- Interested in math, science, or engineering
- Able to commit to a relationship with JSC, including a one-week residential experience during the summer
- Access to the internet and email (home, school, or public library)

High school juniors interested in applying for the 2009-10 program should visit <http://aerospacescholars.jsc.nasa.gov/> **NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 13, 2009.**

**THE NATIONAL BLACK PRE-LAW ADMISSIONS and PREPARATION CONFERENCE and LAW SCHOOL RECRUITMENT FAIR on November 6-7, 2009** at the University of Houston-Downtown. This is a great opportunity for high school students and provides an unparalleled opportunity for aspiring Black lawyers to learn more about the current statistics regarding African American law school applicants and law students, how to effectively navigate the law school admissions process, how to prepare to become more competitive and strategic applicants in regards to the overall package, including the personal statement, diversity

statement, resume, and addenda; how to properly prepare for the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) to earn a high score, and other significant issues related to the law profession. Register online at <http://blackprelawconference2009.eventbrite.com> or via mail/fax. **Download our registration form from the "Registration Information" page of our website at [www.blackprelaw.com](http://www.blackprelaw.com).**

**MAXIMIZING EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT through ACADEMIC and LEADERSHIP SKILLS (MEDALS) CONFERENCE at Texas A&M University** is November 13-14, 2009. Approaching the completion of high school is an exciting time often filled with questions about the future. We hope you will let us help answer some of those questions. During our two-day program, students are placed into peer groups of eight to ten high school students and experience topics such as college life transitions, higher education opportunities, college admissions process, college life and paying for college. Peer groups allow participants time to discuss the college admission process, and gain insight into the transition from high school to college. **Registration begins August 31 and continues through October 26, 2009.** For details, contact information, and registration, please visit <http://medals.tamu.edu/>.

**TEXAS A&M HIGH SCHOOL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE** will be held November 13-15, 2009. We believe that leaders are made, not born. The High School Leadership Conference gives high school juniors and seniors the tools to step into the leadership roles in their classes, extracurricular activities, and their community through motivational speakers, small group time with peers, and leadership workshops. Our conference holds steadfast to our mission statement of "building ourselves as leaders by creating developmental opportunities for high school students to learn, grow, and develop themselves." Applications will be available one month before the conference. For more details, visit <http://hslc.tamu.edu/>

**OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY LEADERSHIP CONCLAVE** will be a two-day event now held **February 6th - February 7th** on the Oklahoma State University campus and will be centered on developing leadership characteristics essential to both college and individual success. While providing workshops, service opportunities, and guest speakers, the Conclave will be student organized and guaranteed to be an exciting weekend of learning and fun. The conference is limited to 100 attendants and selection will be based on the quality of the applications. A registration fee will be due upon acceptance. This fee will include over-night accommodations, food and t-shirt expenses. Entertainment, including a dance, will be provided for participants by the 2009 President's Leadership Council. The application can be accessed

here <http://admissions.okstate.edu/pdf/other/conclaveApp.pdf> . More information will be sent via email upon acceptance to the OSU Leadership Conclave. If you have any questions please contact Stephen Haseley, Stephanie Hillman or Hanna Kelley at (405) 744-5485. We look forward to receiving your applications soon. **Applications must be submitted/postmarked on or before Monday, November 30, 2009.**

**HOUSTON HISPANIC FORUM CAREER AND EDUCATION DAY to be held on Saturday, January 9, 2010** at the George R. Brown Convention Center beginning at 8:00 am. The event and lunch are FREE to all attendees. CED will feature panels of professionals in over 50 career field workshops and an exhibit hall where more than 200 university, educational, nonprofit and businesses will distribute materials and information to students and parents. Special panel sessions will be held for Middle School students to discuss topics such as the importance of a four-year plan; academics; extra-curricular activities; and tips on how to have a successful high school experience. We will again this year provide the most inclusive and comprehensive Transition Fair for students with and without disabilities. Admission is free and no registration is required. For more information, please visit [www.hispanicforum.org](http://www.hispanicforum.org)

**2010 WHITE HOUSE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM** President Obama has launched the White House Internship Program for his administration and announced that applications are currently being accepted for the summer of 2009. Those selected to participate in the program will gain valuable job experience and an inside look at the life of White House staff while building leadership skills. In addition to normal office duties, interns will supplement their learning experience by attending a weekly lecture series hosted by senior White House staff, help at White House social events, and volunteer in community service projects. **The 2009 Summer Internship program runs from May 22nd to August 14th and the submission deadline is March 22, 2009.** Those interested in applying to the White House Internship Program must be:

- US Citizens
- Eighteen years of age on or before the first day of the internship.
- Enrolled in a college or university (2-4 year institution) or must have graduated from college in the past two years.

For more information, visit <http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships> .

**THE YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM** is a unique opportunity for exceptionally promising, high-achieving students with financial need from across the United States.

Each Young Scholar receives comprehensive support during high school, including educational advising, participation in a community of similarly talented students, and financial aid for a

variety of educational pursuits. Each year, the Foundation chooses approximately 75 Young Scholars from among more than 1,000 **seventh-grade** applicants. Visit our website from January through April to obtain an application. All applications are due the last Monday in April. <http://www.jkcf.org/scholarships/young-scholars-program>.

**YOUTH FOR UNDERSTANDING USA** Deciding to study abroad means you are ready to embark on a journey of discovery that will last a lifetime. A Youth For Understanding USA (YFU) study abroad program is an experience that will immerse you in the lives, culture and community of a family in one of 40 countries around the globe. It is an opportunity for US high school students and recent graduates to not only learn a new language, but to experience – in a year, semester or a summer program – what life is really like in another part of the world. For more information, visit <http://yfuusa.org/american-students.php> .

**CIEE HIGH SCHOOL AND GAP YEAR ABROAD** CIEE High School Abroad programs, Summer High School Abroad programs, and Gap Year Abroad programs provide U.S. high school students and recent high school graduates with an unforgettable international experience. Since 1947, CIEE has sent over 50,000 U.S. youth to locations around the globe. These programs allow U.S high school students and recent high school graduates to study abroad, to live with a native host family, work abroad, and/or volunteer, and to challenge themselves on a new level by becoming fully immersed in a language and a new culture. For more information, visit <http://www.ciee.org/hsabroad/high-school-study-abroad/index.html> .