

## Flash News

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### The Student of Color Conference

The Student of Color Conference (SOCC) is an annual event sponsored by the Association of Independent Schools of New England (AISNE). The goal of this conference is to gather around 550 high school students who are normally the minorities, and place them in an environment where they become the majority. This two-day conference includes presentations from keynote speakers and Performers, dozens of workshops, meetings with a self-chosen affinity group, and even a dance. This diverse community of students of color allows for a comfortable environment in which people can accomplish many things: the ability to understand and appreciate an array of opinions, the ability to advocate for oneself, and the ability to create change. The SOCC will be hosted at Beaver Country Day School on April 17-18th 2010. If any students would like to host a workshop please contact Danielle Bynoe at [Bynoed10@bcdschool.org](mailto:Bynoed10@bcdschool.org) (She is a Steppingstone Scholar)

### Area College Fairs

#### Cambridge Rindge & Latin College Fair:

When: October 7<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m.

Where: Cambridge Rindge & Latin field house

#### Boston Latin School College Fair:

When: October 7<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m.

Where: Boston Latin School

#### YMCA Black Achievers College Fair:

When: October 15<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Where: Boston College's Flynn Recreation Complex

Admissions representatives from the nation's historically black colleges will be present at the fair, as will individuals from Boston College, ROTC and more than a dozen community agencies, providing information about college loan and scholarship programs.

**NACAC PVA (Performance & Visual Arts) College Fair:**

When: November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7-9 p.m.

Where: Boston Center for the Arts Cyclorama

The Performing and Visual Arts (PVA) College Fairs are designed for students interested in pursuing undergraduate and graduate study in the areas of music, dance, theater, visual arts, graphic design, and other related disciplines.

**Free Opportunities Through Kaplan**

**Practice SAT/ACT:**

When: Thursday, November 19 from 6-10 pm

Where: Newton Kaplan Center

How to register: <http://www.kaptest.com/enroll/SAT/02138/events>

**Test Strategies 101: Demystifying the PSAT**

When: Sunday, October 11

How to register:

[http://www.kaptest.com/College/SAT/Online/sat-live-online.html?tb=live-events&utm\\_source=kaptest&utm\\_medium=promotiles&utm\\_content=pc-home-sat-test-strategies-preview-class&utm\\_campaign=promotions](http://www.kaptest.com/College/SAT/Online/sat-live-online.html?tb=live-events&utm_source=kaptest&utm_medium=promotiles&utm_content=pc-home-sat-test-strategies-preview-class&utm_campaign=promotions)

**Online SAT Test Strategies Preview Class**

When: Wednesday, October 7 from 7-8:30

How to register:

[http://www.kaptest.com/College/SAT/Online/sat-live-online.html?tb=live-events&utm\\_source=kaptest&utm\\_medium=promotiles&utm\\_content=pc-home-sat-test-strategies-preview-class&utm\\_campaign=promotions](http://www.kaptest.com/College/SAT/Online/sat-live-online.html?tb=live-events&utm_source=kaptest&utm_medium=promotiles&utm_content=pc-home-sat-test-strategies-preview-class&utm_campaign=promotions)

**Stanford University Admissions Visit Schedule**

Below are confirmed visits for Kiyoe Hashimoto, an admissions officer for Stanford. If you are interested in this school, please stop by and introduce yourself as a Steppingstone Scholar!

Roxbury Latin School:

Tuesday, October 13, 8:30am

Boston Latin Academy:

Tuesday October 13, 10:00am

Milton Academy:

Wednesday October 14, 10:00am

MATCH Charter School:

Wednesday October 14 12:30pm

Boston Latin School:

Wednesday October 14, 2:15pm

Winsor School:

Friday, October 16 8:15am

### **University of Pennsylvania Admissions Visit Schedule**

Below are confirmed visits for Cat McManus, an admissions officer for UPenn. If you are interested in this school, please stop by and introduce yourself as a Steppingstone Scholar!

Milton Academy:

Friday October 9, 3:00 PM

Noble & Greenough School:

Tuesday October 13, 9:00 AM

Roxbury Latin School:

Tuesday October 13, 11:30 AM

MATCH:

Thursday October 15, 11:15 AM

### **Connecticut College Admissions Visit Schedule**

Below are confirmed visits for admissions counselors. If you are interested in Connecticut College, please stop by and introduce yourself as a Steppingstone Scholar!

Beaver Country Day:

Wednesday September 16, 2009 2:30 PM

Boston Latin School:

Wednesday October 7, 2009 6:00 PM

Brimmer & May:

Wednesday September 16, 2009 10:00 AM

Commonwealth School:

Monday September 14, 2009 10:20 AM

Dana Hall School:

Tuesday September 22, 2009 9:30 AM

Milton Academy:

Thursday September 17, 2009 5:00 PM

Newton Country Day :

Wednesday October 7, 2009 10:00 AM

Noble & Greenough School:

Wednesday October 7, 2009 8:30 AM

Rivers School:

Tuesday September 22, 2009 1:00 PM

Roxbury Latin School:

Tuesday October 6, 2009 9:00 AM

St. Sebastian's School:

Thursday October 29, 2009 8:30 AM

Thayer Academy:

Friday September 18, 2009 11:30 AM

Winsor School:

Monday September 14, 2009 2:00 PM

## **Job Opportunities**

The Young Peoples Project seeking...

Math Literacy Workers

What is the Young Peoples Project?

We are a group of young people that organize other young people to radically

change their education, and the way they relate to it. By cultivating and meeting the demand for math literacy work, YPP demonstrates how young people can be a force positive social change, once committed to transforming themselves.

#### MLW Work Description...

YPP is looking for qualified high school students interested in supporting the educational development of middle and elementary students. High school students will have the opportunity to develop their leadership skills and deliver activities and lessons that are beneficial to younger students. Students will have the opportunity

#### Who should apply?

Individuals willing to learn new and fun ways of learning math  
Individuals who enjoy working with other young people  
Individuals willing to commit to completing their hours

#### Hourly Compensation

10-12 hours a week (Monday - Thursday)

For more information contact:

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Cambridge, MA 02139  
(617) 354-8991

E-mail: [greaterboston@typp.org](mailto:greaterboston@typp.org)

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#### MassART PRESENTATION: SATURDAY STUDIOS

MassArt is offering students an opportunity to take a variety of course offerings for students in grades 7-12. Program meets for 8 Saturdays starting October 17 from 9:30-noon. Courses range from Fashion and Fibers to Painting or Ceramics. Cost of entire program is \$25. Please visit the website for more information and for registration. <http://massart.edu/x1805.xml>.

**MassArt Pre-College Studio for credit**

The program provides an opportunity for students to explore the study of visual art in a challenging yet supportive environment that emphasizes college level skills and study habits. Classes meet every Friday, 3:30 – 6:30pm from Oct. 9th – Dec.18th. Scholarship assistance is available up to the full amount for students with demonstrated need. Visit the website for more info:

<http://massart.edu/x1809.xml>

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**LEAH (Leaders in Education, Action and Hope)** is a mentorship program that trains and places high school students at elementary and middle school out-of-school time programs to work as mentors and to lead hands-on activities.

The program was started in honor of Leah Deni, a former Out-of-School-time program director who was passionately devoted to youth development and to bringing science to youth. Leah passed away at the age of 25 in 2004.

Who Can Be A LEAH Mentor?

- Any BPS student in grades 9-12. Preference will be given to 10th and 11th graders.

What Do LEAH Mentors Do?

- Learn about leadership, science, and how to teach younger children
- Provide support for after school programs while serving as role models for elementary and middle school students
- Meet high school students from across Boston, learn new things while teaching science, and gain a professional network for youth-related career fields
- Receive intensive training on classroom behavioral management, activity preparation, professionalism, and science topics relevant to LEAH curriculum

What Are The Requirements?

- Attend 2 meetings per month (on Fridays)
- Participate in 2 months of training (Mondays & Wednesdays 3:30pm-5:30pm) in November and December at Northeastern University
- Work two afternoons a week at an afterschool program from January – June
- Participate in community events, volunteer service, and city-wide leadership

Are LEAH Mentors Paid?

- LEAH mentors are paid a small stipend. During training, the stipend is equivalent to \$9 per hour. Once training is completed, mentors stipends are increased to \$10 per hour. There is also an increase for a second and third year of participation.

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### **Teen Life School Year Intern Description**

Intern should be self-motivated and have good time management skills in order to complete multiple projects by given deadlines.

#### **WORK INCLUDES:**

- Researching out-of-school opportunities for Boston teens and categorizing
- Writing profiles for relevant opportunities and updating TeenLife website
- Marketing TeenLife listings to businesses and to teens
- Contributing to monthly newsletter
- Updating calendar listings

#### **REQUIREMENTS:**

- Familiarity with graphic/web design or related tools
- Available to work 2-3 days/week (Mon-Thurs only), from about 3pm-6pm\*\***

The address for TeenLife is 22 Hilliard Street, Cambridge, MA 02138.

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826 BOSTON is looking to hire 5 academically-accomplished teens to work as tutors in the afterschool program. They will tutor students with all subjects of homework, with reading and with writing enrichment.

Applicants must be at least 15 yrs old on or before 10/28/09 and currently enrolled in high school.

Students will work 3 days a week of Monday – Thursday from 3 – 6 pm, and will earn \$8/hour through the Boston Youth Fund. Interested teens should complete a Boston Youth Fund application, available at 826 BOSTON.

Any questions? Call (617) 442-5400 or e-mail [info@826boston.org](mailto:info@826boston.org)  
<<mailto:info@826boston.org>>

826 BOSTON is located at 3035 Washington Street in Roxbury's Egleston Square.