

Dear Student:

Thank you for your interest in attending the 6th Annual NEED Historical Black College Tour, scheduled for March 31 – April 7, 2012.

The NEED HBCU Educational Tour is a rite of passage for 10th and 11th graders that is also an invaluable learning experience outside of the classroom. The Educational Tour allows students to gain firsthand knowledge about their major or field of interest. Students have the opportunity to visit 14 HBCU's in the Eastern and Southeastern United States.

NEED's HBCU Educational Tour is unique because; in addition to visiting established HBCU's such as Alabama State, Bennett, Cheyney, Clark Atlanta., Howard, Johnson C. Smith, Lincoln, Morehouse, North Carolina A&T, North Carolina Central, Spelman, Tuskegee, Virginia State, and Winston Salem; the tour supplements classroom learning by providing students with hands-on learning experiences at historically significant sites including the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center, The Rosa Parks Museum, the Ebenezer Baptist Church and many more. NEED college advisors will assist students during the trip, encouraging them in their efforts and talking to them about career exploration, college awareness, college selection, college preparation, scholarship search and education plans.

In order to qualify for this unique Historically Black College Tour, the following requirements must be met.

- The student must be enrolled in the **10th or 11th grade** during the 2011-2012 academic year.
- A high school **transcript** must be submitted with the application.
- All students **must be in good standing academically, and behaviorally, including satisfactory school attendance.**
- A **letter of recommendation** from your teacher or counselor must be submitted.
- A **300 word typed essay** on "*Why I wish to go on the Historically Black College Tour*" must be submitted.
- In addition, the student/parent must complete the mandatory orientations, held at Sixth Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

The **total cost** for the tour is \$565.00, payable in installments at each orientation. Payments can be made via money orders payable to NEED or through MasterCard and Visa. **Due to a generous grant from the The Pittsburgh Foundation, scholarships are available.**

Attached is the application. Please complete it in its entirety and return with all required submissions to:
NEED Student Services
The Warner Centre
332 Fifth Avenue, First Floor
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

The materials must be postmarked no later than **December 19, 2011**. If you have any questions, please call the NEED office at 412.566.2760.

Your Partner in Education,

Sylvester Pace
President and CEO

2011-2012 HISTORICAL BLACK COLLEGE TOUR
DEADLINE DATE- DECEMBER 19, 2011
PLEASE PRINT

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I. _____
 Home Address _____ Apt. # _____
 City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____ Sex M / F
 Cell Phone _____ **Email Address** _____
 High School Attending _____ Grade _____

Name of Parent or Guardian _____
 Address (if different) _____ Apt. # _____
 City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____ Email _____
 Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Emergency Contact Person _____
 Phone Number _____ Relationship to Student _____

Are you currently involved in school activities? Yes / No. If yes, please specify _____

Have you ever visited college/university campuses outside of Pittsburgh? Yes / No. If so, list the name(s) of the schools. _____

Have either of your parents attended college? Yes / No. If so, list the college. _____

Do you have any brothers/sisters currently enrolled in college? Yes / No. If so, what college(s) _____

Personal Health History (to be completed by parent or guardian)
 List any medications to be taken while on the tour: _____
 General Information: **Yes/No** **Yes/No** **Yes/No**
 Asthma: Diabetes: High Blood Pressure:
 Allergies: Heart Trouble: Convulsions/Seizures:
 List any **physical or behavioral conditions** that may affect or **limit full participation in strenuous walking tours:**

 Name of primary care physician _____ Phone Number _____
 Personal health/accident insurance carrier _____ Policy Number _____
 Please check the box if you do not have a health/accident insurance carrier.
Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____
Student Signature _____ **Date** _____