



February 20, 2014

Dear Teacher/School Counselor/Principal,

Greetings!! We are requesting your help in identifying students to attend the **Rural Health Careers Camp** to be held **June 13, 2014** on the campus of Frontier Community College and Fairfield Memorial Hospital. **There is no cost for attending the camp.** We will provide transportation to and from the Camp. Students will be picked up at their **High School Parking lots at 7:30am**

We are looking for incoming freshman, sophomore students. Approximately 50 students total from various high schools in the area will be chosen for this exciting opportunity.

The goals of this Camp are three-fold:

1. Provide students from rural areas with current information about the broad array of careers available in the health professions, especially in Southern Illinois.
2. Inspire students from rural areas with a passion for science, math, and helping others to pursue health-related careers.
3. Introduce students to the college and hospital campus.

To achieve these goals, students attending the Camp will:

- Obtain hands-on opportunities in various labs and classroom environments to learn more about what health professionals do and how they are trained.
- Receive information about educational and academic requirements for the various health professions.
- Meet practicing health professionals and current college students who are pursuing health careers.

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Frequently Asked Questions:

How many students will be selected?

Approximately fifty students will be chosen to attend the camp.

How are students chosen for the Camp?

Students are chosen for the camp based on academic standing, year in school and interest in Health Careers.

Why do students need to identify their high school guidance counselor and an additional school reference?

To assure that students are in good academic standing, high school guidance counselors and school references will be contacted.

Who should attend?

Incoming freshman and sophomore who have expressed interest in a health professions career requiring training at the community college level (e.g., radiology technician, LPN) or have demonstrated an aptitude and interest in science and math courses or those students who are looking at a Bachelors or higher education in healthcare. (e.g., nurse, social worker, dentist, pharmacist, medical doctor, physical therapist, mental health therapist, public health official, etc.)

How do I apply?

Applications will be given to each High School to be distributed.

Completed applications must be received by **May 9, 2014 to be considered.**

Return to:

Beth D Wilson

Director – South East IL AHEC

1021 Harding Street

Fairfield, IL 62837

How much does the camp cost?

There is no cost for students to attend camp.

Who is sponsoring the camp?

The camp is being sponsored by South East IL- AHEC, SIEgrow, Frontier Community College and Fairfield Memorial Hospital.

Any questions or concerns... Please feel free to contact us at 618-847-8381

Thank you for assisting us in offering this opportunity to your students.

Sincerely,

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Rural Health Careers Camp

APPLICATION FORM SEI-AHEC/ FCC/FMH

Student Last Name: _____ Student First Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ County: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Student Gender (please circle): Male Female

Optional Ethnicity (please check):

Caucasian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Multi-ethnic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hispanic/Latino	<input type="checkbox"/>	Native American/Alaska	<input type="checkbox"/>
Black/African-American	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Asian	<input type="checkbox"/>		



T-Shirt size preferred (please circle): S M L XL XXL



High School: _____ Current Grade/Year in School: _____

Guidance Counselor: _____ Contact Number: _____

Additional School Reference: _____ Contact Number: _____

(Please list the name of a teacher at your high school. We will be contacting guidance counselors and school references to verify student is in good academic standing.)



What health careers interest you now? : _____

1. Volunteer or work experience: _____

2. Why do you want to attend this camp? _____

3. Describe your experience and knowledge of rural life.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Application deadline is no later than **FRIDAY APRIL 18, 2014.**

Submit applications to:

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