The Jump Start Academy allows members the opportunity to explore the world of health careers. This program will give students access to hands on demonstrations of duties performed by health professionals through 2-3 workshops held between January-May 2016. In addition, eligible students may apply for a scholarship to help with post-secondary educational costs. In order to apply for the scholarship students must have a minimum of 20 hours of workshop and volunteer activity. Volunteer activity is completed on the student’s time and must have teacher signature. Applications must be submitted by November 2nd, 2015.

Requirements:

⇒ Must be a current 9th through 12th grade student
⇒ Complete the Jump Start Academy application (DUE NOV. 2ND)
⇒ Parent/Guardian approval required

Scholarship requirements

⇒ Complete a minimum of 20 hours of workshop and volunteer activity.

A scholarship will be awarded to an outstanding member who meets service hour requirements along with other applicable guidelines. The scholarship awardee will be chosen by a selection committee and will receive a $500.00 educational scholarship upon the acceptance into a post-secondary institution.

Workshop Schedule:

⇒ Igniting the Dream Date: 2/27/2016
  Location: Georgia Regents University
⇒ Athletic Trainer for a day Date: TBD
  Location: Georgia Southern University
⇒ Nursing Simulation Lab Date: TBD
  Location: Georgia Southern University
⇒ Public Health Day for Young Adults Date: TBD
  Location: Georgia Southern University

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Jump Start Academy

Sponsored by:
Magnolia Coastlands Area Health Education Center (AHEC)

High Schools:
 Southeast Bulloch High School – Portal High School – Statesboro High School – Richmond Hill High School – South Effingham High School

Scholarship Application Process:
1. Complete the Jump Start Academy Application (due November 2, 2015)
2. Students who apply for the scholarship must complete the application, a minimum of one AHEC sponsored event/workshop, AND volunteer hours. The total for volunteer and event/workshop hours should be a minimum of 20 hours.
3. Students who are not applying for the scholarship do not have to complete 20 hours. ALL students who apply our encouraged to participate in all events.
4. Students will be responsible for transportation to all events held at Georgia Southern. Transportation will be provided from Georgia Southern to Augusta, for the Igniting the Dream conference.
5. For students applying for the scholarship, once the required 20 hours of volunteer activities and events have been completed, submit the following packet: (due April 8, 2016)
   a. Teacher recommendation and verification of service hours
   b. Essay including personal history, factors relevant to career choice/goals
   c. Two letters of recommendation from teachers/employers (not from personal friends)
   d. Include a list of extracurricular activities and accomplishments (ex. Page One Nominee)
6. There will be one scholarship awarded: in the amount of $500.
7. The Winner will be required to submit documentation of acceptance or enrollment in a post-secondary institution to study health sciences and will have (1) year from the date awarded to claim scholarship.

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