

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated  
Xi Phi Chapter, New York City  
In Conjunction with  
Community Uplift through Perseverance, Inc. (C.U.P.)  
Presents:



21st Annual Black College Tour 2012

February 19<sup>th</sup> through February 24<sup>th</sup>

***“Striving for Excellence through Education”***

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE BLACK COLLEGE TOUR

Xi Phi, a New York City-based Graduate Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and Community Uplift through Perseverance (CUP) sponsors and underwrites the Black College Tour. Forty (20 female and 20 male) African- American High School students enrolled in schools in New York City and the broader metropolitan area will visit ten Historically Black Colleges and Universities. This year's tour is landmark because it marks the beginning of third decade of the Tour's impact on the youth and educational institutions of the Greater Harlem and New York community. Over the last twenty years, the vision that the African American experience for youth could be challenged through mentoring, leadership development and exposure to educational opportunities available outside the boundaries of New York City; at Historically Black Colleges and Universities has transformed the futures of over 500 of our young people.

### PROGRAM ELEMENTS

The Black College Tour strives to stimulate an interest, among select students, in attending one of the public or privately supported HBCU's. The long term objective of the project is to develop the ways and means to assure that qualified high school students in the New York area become familiar with the historic mission of Black Colleges and Universities and their broad range of high quality educational programs and academic fields. Another objective is to identify students who would benefit especially from the stimulating and supportive learning environments so characteristic of Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

## INFORMATION ABOUT BLACK COLLEGE TOUR 2012

BCT 2012 Theme - "***Striving for Excellence through Education***" is a six-day, five-night tour scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup> through 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012. The tour will visit the following schools in the order listed:

- Morgan State, Baltimore, MD
- Howard University, Washington DC
- North Carolina A&T, Greensboro, NC
- North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC
- Morehouse, Atlanta, GA
- Spelman, Atlanta, GA
- Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA
- Clavin University, Orangeburg, SC
- South Carolina State, Orangeburg, SC
- Virginia State, Petersburg, VA
- Hampton University, Hampton, VA

## INFORMATION ABOUT BLACK COLLEGE TOUR 2012



The group will travel by chartered bus and stay at the hotels listed:

Sunday, February 19, 2012

Holiday Inn Express

Baltimore, MD

Monday, February 20, 2012

Holiday Inn Express

Durham, NC

Tuesday, February 21, 2012

Holiday Inn Express

Atlanta, GA

Wednesday, February 22, 2012

Sleep Inn

Orangeburg, SC

Thursday, February 23, 2012

Holiday Inn Express

Petersburg, VA

# OFFICIAL INFORMATION PACKET & APPLICATION FORM

PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED THRU NOVEMBER 30, 2011



## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS**

The Official Application Form for the Black College Tour 2012 explains that:

1. This is an APPLICATION Process for an interview.
2. The results of the interview are used to decide the applicant's participation in the Black College Tour 2012.
3. Some of the factors that may determine the applicant's participation are:
  - A. Having a real chance of being admitted to a Historically Black College or University as reflected by your academic record in high school;
  - B. Being involvement in local activities, and;
  - C. Being involved in extracurricular activities in school or volunteer work.

## **ADDITION INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS**

**In order to be considered for participation in the BCT 2012, students are expected to:**

- Complete all parts of the BCT 2012 Application Form and return it by November 30, 2011;
- Submit a typed or neatly written (black ink) completed application for consideration.
- Submit a Letter of Recommendation from a teacher, counselor, minister, priest, community leader or another responsible adult, and;
- Come to a Personal Interview a parent, guardian, or responsible adult relative.
- Be on time and dressed appropriately for interview.

Appropriate attire is as follows:

- A. Young Men – dress shirt, tie, jacket, dress pants and shoes.
- B. Young Women – blouse, pants suit or skirt (to knee) and dress shoes. Any applicant not dressed appropriately will be required to re-schedule the interview.

## **NOTE: INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED**

There is a **non-refundable** \$25.00 application fee, which must be submitted with the application.

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE INTERVIEW

After the completed application form has been received, applicants will be notified of the date, time and location of their interviews. Your parent or guardian must call to confirm date and time. Please make sure that all of the information on the application is correct. We must be able to contact you, as well as your parent or guardian for notification of interview.

## PRE AND POST TOUR WORKSHOPS

If you are selected to participate, you and your parent/guardian **MUST** attend all 4 Pre-Tour Workshops and one Post-Tour Workshop. All of the workshops will be held at the Joseph P. Kennedy Center, 34 W. 134<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY 10037. Please note the workshops are scheduled to begin, **January 28, 2012** and will be held on Saturdays from 12:30 P.M. until 5:00 P.M. The dates are as follows: 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, and 3/10.

Topics of the workshops include:

- The BCT Itinerary / The History, Mission and Purpose of Historically Black Colleges and Universities
  
- College Planning, Financial Aid, Scholarship & Resources
  
- PSAT, SAT & ACT Prep
  
- College Life
  
- An Evaluation of the Tour

**Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated**

**Xi Phi Chapter – New York, NY**

**Black College Tour 2012 Application**

*(Please type or print using black ink. All sections must be completed. Please submit with \$25 non-refundable deposit.)*

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

**LAST NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FIRST NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **M.I.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **APT#** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GENDER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE OF BIRTH:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOME PHONE:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT CELL PHONE:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE BLACK COLLEGE TOUR?**

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**CLASS YEAR (as of 9/1/2011):** \_\_\_\_ Freshman \_\_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_ Senior

**GPA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GUIDANCE COUNSELOR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GUIDANCE COUNSELOR'S PHONE NUMBER:** (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you taken the following standardized tests?

**PSAT**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SCORE: \_\_\_\_\_

**SAT**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SCORES: MATH \_\_\_\_\_ VERBAL \_\_\_\_\_ WRITTEN \_\_\_\_\_

**ACT**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SCORE: \_\_\_\_\_

If you haven't taken any test, when will it be taken? **MONTH/YEAR:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LIST SPECIAL AWARDS OR RECOGNITION CITATIONS YOU RECEIVED FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT OR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:** (Use additional sheets if necessary)

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**SCHOOL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:** (Use additional sheets if necessary)

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**PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION**

**PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **APT#** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE (HOME):** \_\_\_\_\_ **(WORK/CELL):** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **RELATIONSHIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL HISTORY**

1. Are you presently under a physician's care? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

2. Are regularly scheduled appointments required? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

*(If yes to 1 and or 2, please list the condition(s) for which you are being treated. Use additional sheets if necessary)*

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3. List any medication(s) that you are currently taking and reason.

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4. Have you had any contact with Hepatitis or other contagious illness? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

*(If yes, list illness and dates)*

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5. Have you had a PPD test? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ *(If yes, please give year)* Year? \_\_\_\_\_

The PPD test was: Positive \_\_\_\_\_ Negative \_\_\_\_\_

If chest X-ray was completed: (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ (Result) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Do you have or have you had any of the following during the past year?

Persistent Cough	YES ___ NO ___	Nervousness	YES ___ NO ___
Shortness of Breath	YES ___ NO ___	Joint Pain	YES ___ NO ___
Chest Pain	YES ___ NO ___	Back Pain	YES ___ NO ___
Palpitations	YES ___ NO ___	Frequent Colds	YES ___ NO ___
Swollen Ankles	YES ___ NO ___	Weight Loss	YES ___ NO ___
Abdominal Pain	YES ___ NO ___	Difficulty Voiding	YES ___ NO ___
Hernia	YES ___ NO ___	Frequent Vomiting	YES ___ NO ___
Fainting	YES ___ NO ___	Persistent Diarrhea	YES ___ NO ___
Dizziness	YES ___ NO ___	Constipation	YES ___ NO ___
Numbness	YES ___ NO ___	Eye Problems	YES ___ NO ___
Asthma	YES ___ NO ___	Diabetes	YES ___ NO ___

7. Do you have any allergies? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (If you answered yes, please list) \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical Insurance Coverage Information**

(Medical insurance is required for all tour participants)

In case of an emergency where it becomes necessary for my child to be treated by a hospital or physician, the medical insurance coverage is as follows:

Name of Insured: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation to Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer or Group: \_\_\_\_\_ Group #: \_\_\_\_\_

## **PARENTAL CONSENT & MEDICAL STATEMENT**

I do hereby give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Xi Phi Chapter Black College Tour from \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_. It is expected that my child will remain with the group during the entire tour and he/she will abide by the rules applying to conduct in effect during the tour. **In the event that it may become necessary to have my child returned home for medical or disciplinary reasons while on the tour, transportation costs will be at my expense.**

**I have also read the completed "Medical History." The above medical record for my child is thorough and accurate to the best of my knowledge.**

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print Name Here: \_\_\_\_\_

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

*Sessions will be held on Saturday in Harlem prior to the tour's departure. Workshops are designed to enhance a college bound student's skills (study habits, test taking, etc) and to get them familiar with the college experience. This will also serve as an opportunity for the students to get to know each other. All sessions are mandatory. Please place a check next to a date, if there are any conflicts. Students must be in attendance to at least three out of the four workshops. (Parent/Student Orientation and Interview cannot be excluded)*

\_\_\_\_ January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012 *Parent/Student Orientation and Interview: Conducted one week prior to the workshops. **MANDATORY***

\_\_\_\_ January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012 *BCT Itinerary/ The History, Mission and Purpose of Historically Black Colleges and Universities*

\_\_\_\_ February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012 *College Planning, Financial Aid, Scholarships & Resources*

\_\_\_\_ February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 *PSAT, SAT & ACT Prep*

\_\_\_\_ February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012 *College Life*

\_\_\_\_March 10<sup>th</sup>, *Wrap-up/Parent Debriefing Session/Evaluation of the Tour: Conducted two weeks following the tour*

### **BCT FEE AND NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE**

The cost of the Tour is \$300.00 per student and includes breakfast, lunch, transportation, lodging, and all Pre- and Post- Tour Workshops. Those selected to participate must pay for their own dinner. The actual cost of BCT 2012 is \$600.00. The difference between the actual cost and the offered cost represents a scholarship from *Community Uplift through Perseverance Inc.* to the student. There is a non-refundable \$25.00 application fee, which must be submitted with the application. An application without the appropriate documentation and fees will not be processed. If the applicant is accepted for participation in the program, the fee will be applied towards the cost of the Tour. The \$275.00 balance must be paid in **FULL** by February 4, 2012. A convenient installment schedule can be arranged. A certified bank check or money order must be made payable to Community Uplift through Perseverance or C.U.P. If you are selected to participate, you will be notified shortly after the interview. Please mail your completed application form (pages 7 –12) only, Letter of Recommendation and \$25.00 fee.

**YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO:**  
**Black College Tour Xi Phi Chapter – Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.,**  
**PO Box 616**  
**Hamilton Grange Station**  
**New York, NY 10031**

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