Multicultural Achievement Committee

SCHOLARS
Since 2002

Summer Honors Academy
Achievement Matters
The MAC Scholars Summer Honors Academy is a week-long program for high-achieving multicultural high school students. These students are identified after their ninth grade year at a Columbia Public Schools high school. Students completing the academy will earn .5 credit.

- Students entering the tenth grade will attend an eight-day summer academy on the campus of the University of Missouri - Columbia. The academy will operate from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Columbia Public School teachers and college professors will expose students to the rigors of Honors and Advanced Placement courses. Students will experience an academic journey of essays, short stories, and editorials written by notable authors of color, such as Langston Hughes, Richard Wright, and Isabel Allende.
- Students will be introduced to workshops designed to improve their study skills, written communication skills, and time management skills. Students will gain knowledge that will enhance their career and college-readiness skills. Students will also enhance their knowledge of college and university resources.
- Students will participate in extracurricular activities, such as team-building exercises, movies, speaker series, and access to the Student Recreation Center.
- Parents of student attendees will receive information about college admissions, scholarships, and financial aid.

**Academy Goals**

- Prepare students to enroll in rigorous coursework, including honors and advanced placement courses.
- Build a cohort of students who have a personal commitment to academic success and achievement.
- Encourage students to view academic achievement as part of their personal brand.
- Build a support network of parents and students.
- Encourage students to celebrate academic achievement each and every day.

For information about the MAC Scholars Summer Honors Academy, please contact the MAC Program District Coordinator:

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