Program Objectives

SPEP 10 & SPEP 11 will provide students an opportunity to:
- Learn more about the field of dentistry
SPEP 12 will provide students an opportunity to:
- Prepare for the SAT
- Learn more about the field of dentistry
- Learn useful study strategies for high school and college
- Increase their competitiveness for admission to a four-year college and to dental school

Participant Support Provided

- A stipend to help cover the cost of food, transportation and miscellaneous expenses
- Clinic and laboratory supplies
- Notebooks and other instructional materials

Selection Process

A committee will review all applications and select participants for each program. Participants selected for SPEP 10, SPEP 11 and SPEP 12 and their parents will be required to attend an orientation session.

Number of Participants

Twenty (20) for SPEP 10
Twenty (20) for SPEP 11
Twenty (20) for SPEP 12

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Applications available online at:
http://bcd.tamhsc.edu/student-development/
Program Dates:
July 14 - July 18, 2014

Program Requirements:
To be eligible for consideration, all individuals must:

◊ Have an interest in dentistry, health professions or science
◊ Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident with a social security number
◊ Attend a Dallas area school
◊ Provide an official high school transcript documenting a grade point average of at least 2.75 (or 77.5 on a scale of 100)
◊ Submit an application, including an essay explaining how the summer program will contribute to educational and career goals in the health professions, including dentistry.
◊ Have a history of overcoming adverse circumstances*
◊ Demonstrate a strong potential of working with underserved populations or in communities with limited access to dental care.
◊ Submit one letter of recommendation from a teacher.

Curriculum
The curriculum for SPEP 10 & SPEP 11 consist of:

◊ Pre-Clinical Dentistry which provides lectures and hands-on laboratory exercises with dental materials.
◊ Investigating Dentistry which allows students to investigate a dental topic and present the findings.
◊ Cultural Competency Seminar

Summer Pre-Dental Enrichment Programs (SPEP)

Deadline for Applications
SPEP 12 - February 21, 2014
SPEP 10 & 11 - May 23, 2014

Personal Interviews (SPEP 12 only)
March 10 - 14, 2014

Notification Date
SPEP 12
No later than April 11, 2014
SPEP 10 & 11
No later than June 1-27, 2014

◊ Be a member of a dentally-underserved population and/or have a history of overcoming adverse circumstances (Examples: low socioeconomic status; 1st generation to attend college; bilingual; attends financially poor school district; attends a low-performing high school; middle or high school home responsibility; single parent family; overcame or is experiencing extreme hardship; resident of a county designated as underserved by health professionals; resident of lowest 10% per capita income county; etc.)

Program Dates:
June 9, 2014 - July 3, 2014

Program Requirements:
To be eligible for consideration, all individuals must:

◊ Have an interest in dentistry, health professions or science
◊ Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident with a social security number
◊ Attend a Dallas area school
◊ Provide an official high school transcript documenting a grade point average of at least 2.75 (or 77.5 on a scale of 100)
◊ Submit an application, including an essay explaining how the summer program will contribute to educational and career goals in the health professions, including dentistry.
◊ Submit two letters of recommendation; one must be from a science or math teacher
◊ Sign a contract committing to participate in all required project activities
◊ Have the first and second injection of the Hepatitis B vaccination series completed before attending the Program.
◊ Have a history of overcoming adverse circumstances.*
◊ Demonstrate a strong potential working with underserved populations or in communities with limited access to dental care.

Curriculum
The curriculum for the SPEP 12 consists of:

◊ SAT Preparation which encourages participants to focus on math, verbal and writing content areas and on taking strategies while preparing them to take the SAT in the Fall
◊ Preclinical Dentistry which uses lectures and provides hands-on laboratory experiences using dental materials to increase students’ knowledge of dentistry
◊ Investigating Dentistry which allows students to investigate a dental topic and present their findings
◊ Workshops and Special Activities