

Communiiversity Youth Programs

Resources

“I believe that education is life and not just preparation for life. Without ‘real life’ experience, classroom learning alone can be artificial and irrelevant.”

Dr. Sonja Haynes Stone

The Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History was established in 1988 at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to honor the late Dr. Stone, faculty member and avid Center supporter. An advocate for social justice and public service, she was committed to the cultural education of youth and development of student leadership. Communiiversity, a cornerstone program of the Center, was created to honor Dr. Stone’s dedication and commitment to educating young people in communities surrounding the University.

Communiiversity provides transportation for student participants to the campus for most programs. Transportation is an integral part of the program; therefore, we invite tax-free donations from businesses and organizations to offset ongoing expenses.

Volunteers are required to submit an application to the Communiiversity Youth Programs. They are requested to list their subjects of interest and submit an essay describing their qualifications, their desired impact on the program, and any previous or current connections to the program. Once submitted, volunteers will go through a screening process consisting of an interview, reference check, and an assessment of which component of Communiiversity would best suit their talents.

Applications can be obtained from the Stone Center, or downloaded at www.unc.edu/depts/stonecenter

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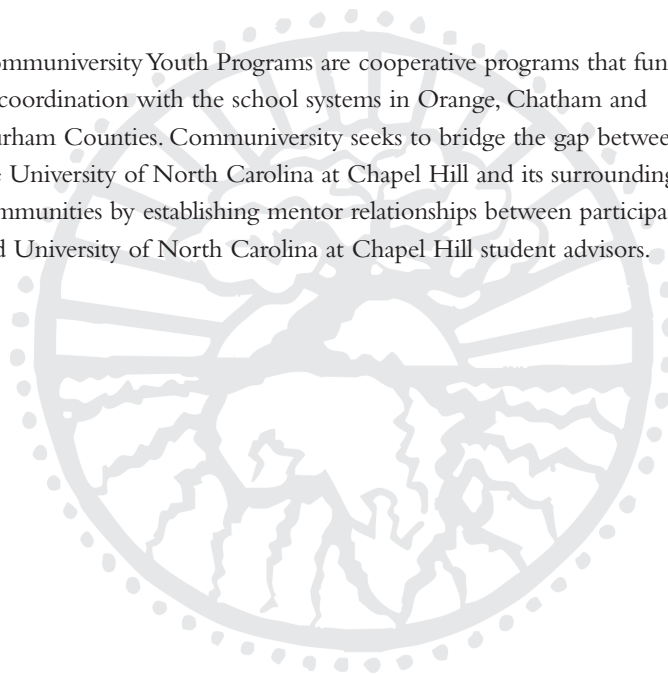


Mission

Community Youth Programs fulfill an important component of the Center's mission of community outreach and enrichment by working to improve student performance through education and practical experience. The programs are designed to empower children with lifelong tools by:

- **Providing** exposure to various aspects of African and African American history, heritage and culture.
- **Creating** opportunities for cultural enrichment and academic enhancement.
- **Developing** skill sets that foster community building, leadership, and interpersonal interaction.
- **Connecting** them to community resources that directly benefit and enhance their learning experiences.

Community Youth Programs are cooperative programs that function in coordination with the school systems in Orange, Chatham and Durham Counties. Community seeks to bridge the gap between the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and its surrounding communities by establishing mentor relationships between participants and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill student advisors.



Programs

Cultural Literacy Enrichment

Tuesday – Thursday 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Group A: Students Age 5–8

Group B: Students Age 9–12

This program component assists children in building reading, comprehension, and critical thinking skills. Using fundamental concepts, literacy counselors use tools to build self-esteem and awareness in children that will expand their vocabulary, improve grammatical skills, and increase analytical abilities in reading and writing.

Homework Assistance

Tuesday – Thursday 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Group A: Students Age 5–8 Math/Science Review

Group B: Students Age 5–8 Language Arts/Social Studies Review

Group C: Students Age 9–12 Math/Science Review

Group D: Students Age 9–12 Language Arts/Social Studies Review

Homework assistance provides ongoing academic support through active tutoring and strong mentorship. Students also work to improve their computer skills and participate in educational enrichment games.

In Our Voices Teen Outreach

Tuesday and Thursday 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Teen students age 13–18 focus on academic enrichment, career planning and life skills building. Production of the program's magazine, In Our Voices: A Youth Review of the Arts and Humanities provides students with a structured introduction to the arts and humanities. Participants attend cultural and educational events throughout the Triangle area and publish review essays chronicling their experiences.

Application (One application per child)

My child is interested in attending: (Please check one)

Cultural Literacy Enrichment

Homework Assistance

In Our Voices Teen Outreach

Child's Name: _____

Sex: Male Female Age: _____ Grade: _____

School: _____ Principal: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Work: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Previous Program Participant? Yes No

If yes, provide dates attended: _____

I, _____, as parent/legal guardian of _____, grant permission for my child to participate in the Community Youth Program at the designated times and places. I also understand that my written permission will be required before my child may participate on any field trips provided by the Community programs. I also understand that my written signature will authorize release of academic records that will lend assistance to the overall positive development of academic performance. A \$50 application fee per academic school year for students and active parental participation is required.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

This application must be completed and accompanied by an application fee of \$50 paid in full before your child may be accepted into the Community Youth Program. Make a money order or certified check payable to Community. Please direct all questions to: Director of Community, Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History, 150 South Road, CB#5250, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-5250; Telephone: (919) 962-9001, Fax: (919) 962-3725