



Bright Future Update

Winter 2009



Director's Corner

By Reza Khastou

Our country is going through one of its toughest times in history. At the national level, the following headline appeared in the Seattle Times' headline on November 8th: "First Step: a plan to create jobs." The article stated "with fresh evidence that U.S. economy is shedding jobs even faster than expected, President-elect Barack Obama said Friday his top concern is passage of a multibillion-dollar stimulus package to create jobs." Locally, in 2007, Washington had 87,000 job vacancies, with 145,000 people looking for work, but lacking the skills to fill those vacancies.

One of the necessary steps we as a nation need to take to improve our economic problems is to improve our high school education to produce high school graduates that have the necessary knowledge and skills to fill the job vacancies that exist now and those to be created in the future. To do this, we must redefine how we measure success in our high schools. As a community we can no longer afford to define success only as a student who "is qualified to attend a four year college at 18".

After nine years, Bright Future graduates who have earned their high school diplomas and industry certificates have shown us, through their successful performance at colleges and their earning power in the workforce, that we (leaders, educators, parents, and the community as a whole) must broaden the meaning of "academic success" to include those who we consider "entering the skilled workforce". Only by changing the existing culture and how it views educational success can we attract students to industries such as health care, information technology and construction.

As these interests grow, state, local, and private funding for vocational programs will grow. The result will be a community with a strong labor force that designs, invents, builds, repairs, and heals.



Scholar News

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Combined Newsletters

Welcome to the first combined newsletter of the Bright Future Program and Bright Future Dollars for Scholars. By combining the two we save printing, mailing and preparation costs. The combination also effectively demonstrates how the two organizations work closely together to provide educational opportunities to deserving young people.

What is Bright Future Dollars for Scholars?

- Established in 1997
- One of the 1,200 Chapters of the national organization Dollars for Scholars (established in 1958), a division of Scholarship America.
- Formerly John Marshall High Schools Dollars for Scholars. The funds awarded to John Marshall High School students who were also enrolled in the Bright Future Program were demonstrably most effective and financially efficient.
- In 2006, the organization changed its name to Bright Future DOLLARS for SCHOLARS, making its scholarships available to all Seattle area high school students enrolled in the Bright Future Program, and financially eligible.
- From 1999 to January 2009, this chapter has awarded more than \$67,000 in scholarship money to 61 Bright Future Program students from twelve different high schools.

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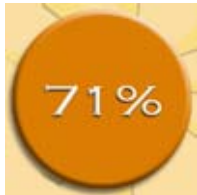
B.F. Performance Report Fall 1999 - Summer 2008

For the purpose of transparency, accountability and bragging rights, the Bright Future Program collects and tabulates data such as demographic information and academic performance. Below you will find student performance reports for the entire history of the Bright Future Program.

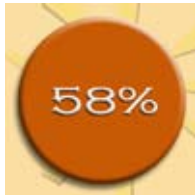
Who We Serve - Demographics of the 197 Students Served



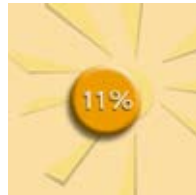
164 Students of Color/Ethnicity



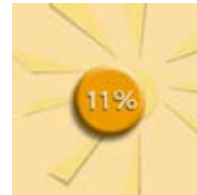
140 Female Students



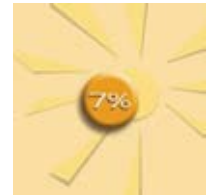
114 At Risk Students



21 ESL Students



22 Teen Parents



13 Special Education Students

113 Program Graduates as of Summer 2008

- 2 Acute Care Nursing Assistant*
- 5 Administrative Office Professional
- 8 Pre-Apprenticeship Construction Training
- 2 Carpentry
- 1 Computer-Based Accounting
- 6 Computer Information Processing*
- 15 Cosmetology
- 26 Dental Assistant
- 6 Health Unit Coordinator
- 22 Medical Assistant
- 1 Medical Office Administration*
- 13 Nursing Assistant, Certified
- 4 Network Technician

*No Longer Offered

Mark Your Calendar

The Bright Future Program Celebration for Graduates will be held on Thursday, May 21st, from 4:00 pm until 5:30 pm in room 401 of the SVI building located at 2120 S. Jackson St. in Seattle.

All guests are welcome to use the parking area on the north side of the building, lower level.

Completion Rates

High School Completion Rate - 197 Total Students



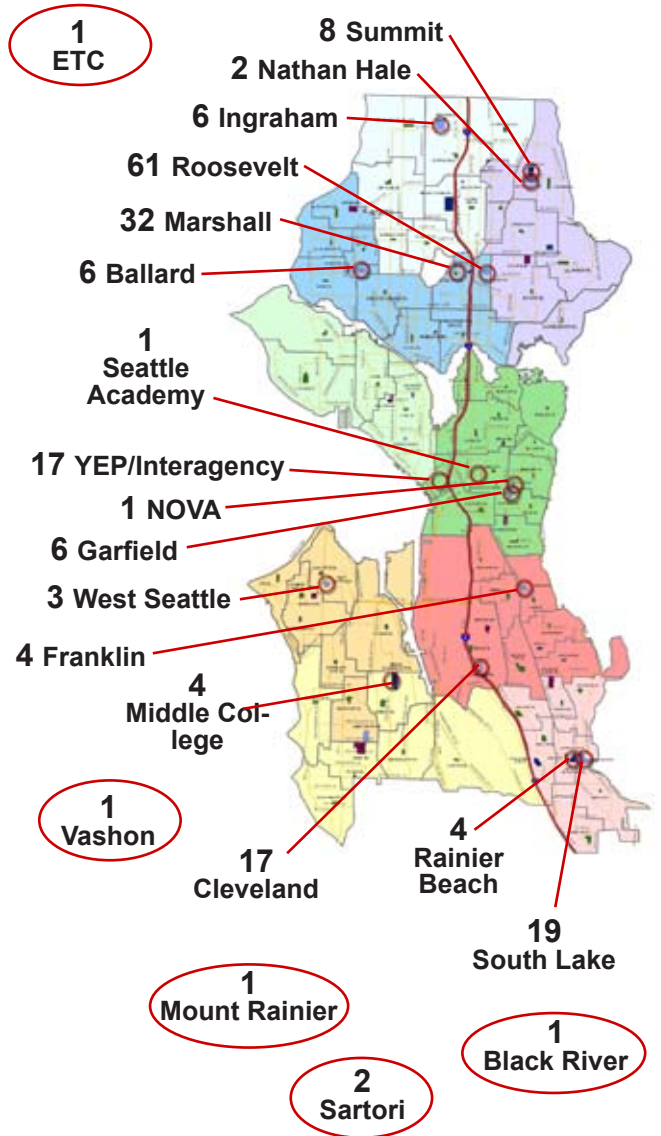
SVI Program Completion Rate - 197 Total Students



Bright Future Graduates at Seattle Community Colleges

Campus	# of Credits	FTE's
Central	1,640	109.33
North	660	44
South	265	17.67
Total	2,565	171

197 Students Come From



Graduation Rates High School/SVI by Year

Year	High School	SVI
2004	92%	92%
2005	95%	75%
2006	96%	64%
2007	93%	69%
Average	94%	75%



Update on Graduates

Jennell Dewolf

Jennell Dewolf, Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Student, Cosmetology class of 2007, is working at the Headlines Salon, one of Seattle's top hair salons in U Village. Headlines has been named one of America's Top 200 salons by Salon Today Magazine. Jenell just returned from New York after receiving additional training at Bumble and Bumble, one of New York's leading salons.



Crystal and Julius

Crystal Patterson and Julius Kamyra, Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Students, Medical Assistant class of 2007, have been working at the University of Washington Hospital in the ER since graduating from SVI. Both enjoy working the graveyard shift and both are encouraged and supported by their supervisors to continue their education. Julius is already taking classes at a local community college and Crystal is planning to enroll in nursing pre-requisite courses this coming winter quarter.

Jamie Cabang

Jamie Cabang, Medical Assistant class of 2008, completed her externship at Virginia Mason Hospital and was hired immediately upon turning 18 years old. Jamie was one of our students who participated in the Health Careers for Youth grant. She graduated from Rainier Beach High School with certifications in both Nursing Assistant and Medical Assistant.



Did You Know?

Diversity

In fall quarter of 2008, 37 high school students from 12 high schools enrolled in the Bright Future Program at Seattle Vocational Institute. These students are reflective of the diversity of our region and include students who were born in the U.S., as well as students who originated from Vietnam, Somalia, Ethiopia, Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Peru, Cambodia, the Philippines and Pakistan.

Golden Apple

Bright Future Program Wins Golden Apple Award

KCTS, Channel 9 selected the Bright Future Program at SVI to receive one of its coveted Golden Apple awards. The Golden Awards are presented to outstanding individuals and programs who demonstrate innovative and effective methods of teaching and educating K-12 students.

The Awards Ceremony was held January 18, 2008 at the Intiman Theater in Seattle, and later aired on public television stations state-wide.



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* Northwest Education Loan Association

** State Employees Combined Fund Drive



Scholarship Winner Helps Other Students

Crystal Shintani is the first scholarship student to make a donation and help other students with their education.

Crystal has been awarded five scholarships over six years from Bright Future Dollars for Scholars. She continues to work full-time as a Dental Assistant and attend school, gaining milestones toward her goal of becoming a Dental Hygienist.

We congratulate Crystal on her steady focus, and also her spirit of generosity and sense of community.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

From May through January, 2009

Current Bright Future Program Students

Ballard

Hibbo Ali Health Unit Coordinator

Cleveland

Michael Fernandez Computer-Based Accounting

Bun Chheng Kak Computer-Based Accounting

Latea Sample Health Unit Coordinator

Garfield

Nhgine Collins Medical Assistant

Ezedien Kamal Medical Assistant

Gracy Suazo Medical Assistant

Ibsa Umar Dental Assistant

Interagnecy

Gloria Medina Cosmetology

Ayleen Mencos Dental Assistant

Marleny Monterrozo Health Unit Coordinator

Angel Taylor Cosmetology

Middle College - Indian Heritage

Mical Gray Medical Assistant

Middle College - North Gate

Michelle Green Medical Assistant

Jessica Patino-Arelano Cosmetology

Middle College - SSCC

Victor Garcia Dental Assistant

Thi Hoang Dental Assistant

Moutlake Terrace

Huma Ajaz Medical Assistant

Rainier Beach

Shaniqua Bodary Medical Assistant

Erica Hoard Medical Assistant

Roosevelt

Zahra Abucar Medical Assistant

Jessica Dang Medical Assistant

Priscilla Estrada Medical Assistant

South Lake

Junnetta Jones Medical Assistant

Shara King Health Unit Coordinator

Summit

Derrick Gomez Cosmetology

Leo Gonzalez Medical Assistant

Jimyra Hamilton Cosmetology

Neda Lor Dental Assistant

Rahma Rage Health Unit Coordinator

Scholarships Also Awarded to:

Michelle Budinick

Bright Future Program Graduate, now at Shoreline Community College, Dental Hygiene Prerequisites

Emmanuel Majak

John Marshall High School Graduate, now at Edmonds Community College, Journalism

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Or contact Linda Sorenson at 206-517-2257,
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SPRING RAFFLE 2008

Congratulations to the Winners ! Thanks to Prize Donors, Ticket Sellers and Purchasers!

Matthew/Susan Nadler	\$20 Gift Card to Ivar's Restaurants (includes Kidd Valley)
Lucille Olson	\$25 Gift Certificate to Applebee's Restaurants
Patti Holman	\$25 Gift Card to Peet's Coffee and Tea
Robert McFerrin	\$25 Food Basket from Safeway
Nancy Hunn	\$25 Gift Certificate to the Caspian Grill Persian Cuisine
Michelle Marr	\$25 Gift Card to Red Robin
Lorraine Walborn	\$30 Gift Certificate to Town & Country Markets donated by Central Market
Jack Gilchrist	\$30 Gift Certificate to Town & Country Markets donated by Central Market
Taso Lagos	\$32 value - 4 Passes to Columbia City Cinema
Audra Gallegos	\$37 value - 4 Passes to Landmark Theaters
Gail Keef	\$40 Gift Certificate to Continental Pastry Shop and Restaurant
Marlyn Solemsaas	\$50 value - Two Adult and Two Child Woodland Park Zoo Passes
Lisa Heath	\$50 Gift Card to Whole Foods
Jane Rieke	\$50 Certificate to Greenlake Bar & Grill/Eastlake Bar & Grill/Southlake Grill
Roberta Harvey	\$50 Gift Card to Fred Meyer
Jim Solemsaas	\$50 Gift Card to Fred Meyer
Kari Kelly	\$55 value - Beverage Break Basket donated by Eileen Solemsaas and Donna Frey DeCou
Christine Walters	\$60 value - Glass Beverage Service (\$35), Gift Card to Peet's Tea/Coffee (\$25) donated by Eileen Solemsaas and Linda Sorenson
Norward Brooks	\$64 value - One pair of Mariner's tickets donated by Collins Woerman Architects
Frank Holman	\$64 value - One pair of Mariner's tickets donated by Collins Woerman Architects
Laura Wideburg	\$70 value - Rainy Day Basket donated by Donna Frey DeCou
Mary Green	\$75 Gift Certificate to Salty's for Weekend Brunch for two
Benjamin Holman	\$80 value - One pair of Mariner's tickets donated by Publicis Media
Nicholas Holman	\$80 value - One pair of Mariner's tickets donated by Publicis Media
Janice Melrose	More than \$100 value - Dolce & Gabbana Sunglasses
Deng Madut	More than \$100 value - Christopher Blue Leather Jacket, did not fit the winner. Given to Bright Future student Deng Madut, for whom it was a perfect fit!



WHAT IS THE BRIGHT FUTURE PROGRAM?

The Bright Future Program was established in 1999 and is a Running Start funded program serving students from all area high schools. Through the Bright Future Program, high school juniors and seniors may enter one of nine different advanced professional and technical programs at Seattle Vocational Institute.

Students are dually enrolled and credits earned in their program count towards their high school diploma. In addition, students receive comprehensive academic and career counseling, paid internship opportunities, and financial support from Bright Future Dollars for Scholars and other sources if needed. For more information please call us at 206-587-6304.





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Board News

Sharon Willweber has moved to California, and we want to thank her for her dedicated work on the Board of Directors.

We thank Mike Mulligan for his work over several years on the Board and his work with the Awards Committee.

We thank Donna Frey DeCou for her willingness to step into the position of Vice-President.

Board meeting ares at the Hearthstone (Retirement Community at Green Lake). If you are interested in attending a meeting, you would be welcome. Please contact Linda Sorenson at 206-517-2257 or lindacsorenson@juno.com.

For information regarding Dollars for Scholars Chapters nationally go to www.scholarshipamerica.org, choose "Dollars for Scholars."