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To the Parent(s) or Guardian(s) of 10th and 11th Graders

I am writing to inform you of an outstanding educational opportunity, the Jay P. Rolison, Jr., Summer Scholars Program. This two week-long residential program is designed for highly motivated students who are currently sophomores or juniors (10th or 11th graders) enrolled in Dutchess County high schools for the 2018-2019 school year. The program runs from Sunday, July 14, 2019 through Thursday, July 25, 2019.

The 2019 Summer Scholars Program offers a course of study held on the Dutchess Community College campus. The program provides a unique academic residential experience, enhanced by social and cultural activities.

Student participation in the Summer Scholars Program is determined by a competitive selection process. Students must apply to be considered for selection by the countywide Selection Committee. Students must be willing to abide by the *Participation Standards* listed in the 2019 Summer Scholars Program Description book.

Students wishing to apply for the Summer Scholars Program must complete and **return the completed application packet to their Guidance Counselors no later than Wednesday, February 20, 2019**. The application packet includes:

- Summer Scholars Application
- Two Faculty Recommendation Forms to be completed by faculty members

The program described in the 2019 Summer Scholars Program Description book for this year will be:

◆ **Cyber Talk in the 21st Century: Truth in a World of Alternative Facts**

If your child indicates interest in applying, please encourage them to submit an application and contact his/her guidance counselor.

This program represents a regional effort of New York State, Dutchess County school districts, Dutchess County BOCES and Dutchess Community College.

If you would like further information, please contact your high school guidance office and/or visit our website: <http://www.dcboces.org/er/summerscholars>.

Sincerely,
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