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To Whom It May Concern:

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte Center for Mathematics, Science, and Technology Education (CMSTE) Pre-College Program appreciates your request for information about the program. To confirm your interest and to determine your eligibility, please read the following information.

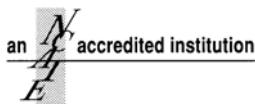
The goal of the CMSTE Pre-College Program is to broaden the pool of students pursuing mathematics- and science-based majors and careers. The Pre-College Program actively recruits and prepares students of average to above average ability in grades 7-12 from six school systems in the UNC Charlotte area.

In addition, the Pre-College Program will consider the following criteria for admission including:

- The student must be able to complete enhanced course work in mathematics and/or science.
- The student must provide evidence (essay and grades) of an interest and aptitude for rigorous mathematics and science courses;
- The student must have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher and a grade of "C" or higher in mathematics and science;
- The student must be willing to commit to the full year program (Saturday Academy and Summer Scholars). Please pay special attention to information outlined in the Rules and Regulations Guidelines;
- The student must be recommended by their mathematics or science teacher;
- The student must not have exemplified a disciplinary problem in their regular school curriculum;
- The student must complete the online enrollment packet (incomplete application packets will not be pre-viewed by the Pre-College Office).

The CMSTE Pre-College Program continues to provide rewarding activities in mathematics and science to its students from five area counties. Parental and student commitment to excellence accounts for the numerous successes the program has experienced through the years. The parents, students, administrative staff, and teachers continually strive to provide opportunities to enhance abilities and develop skills that will enable the students to recognize and achieve their potential. The Pre-College Program is composed of 3 major components: Saturday Academy; Summer Scholars; and Parents Involved for Excellence (PIE) programs.

The Saturday Academy Program consists of twelve, three-hour days during the academic year. During each of the Saturday Academy sessions the students engage in various hands-on activities in math, science, communications, and career awareness. Students also participate on field trips and in a host of educational opportunities off and on the campus of UNC Charlotte.



The Summer Scholars Program is an extension of the Saturday Academy program which offers students interactive experiences that refine the skills, knowledge, and attributes related to mathematical and scientific careers. The students are engaged in instructional contact in math, science, and communications for three to four weeks during the month of July. They also participate in a College Day, Career Day, and a number of educational field trips.

Parental commitment is a vital component to the success of students involved in the CMSTE Pre-College Program. Parents Involved for Excellence (PIE) Clubs meet at UNC Charlotte and various school locations throughout the six school systems served by the UNC Charlotte Program. Attendance at these meetings affords parents opportunities to stay abreast of upcoming Program events and participate in student activities.

Registration will take place March 10 through May 9, 2003 for the 2003-04 Saturday Academy and 2004 Summer Scholars program. Registration information can be found online at:

<http://www.cmste.uncc.edu/application>

Spaces are limited and priority will be given to students that are currently enrolled in the Program. Please call the UNC Charlotte CMSTE Pre-College Program office at (704) 687-3469 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Victor B. Mack". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "V" and "M".

Victor B. Mack, Coordinator
CMSTE Pre-College Program

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