Conference Reminders:

- All conference registration information is due no later than March 7, 2014.

- Pre-college students will be matched with a Hampton University
  - Freddy T. Davy Honors College
  - College student.

- This conference will address issues that matter to YOU!

- SPACE IS LIMITED!!!

Please make sure your check is payable to: the W.E.B. Du Bois Honor Society. Send it along with your registration information to:

W.E.B. Du Bois Invitational Honors Conference:

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REPRESENT YOUR SCHOOL
Contests and Competition

Would you like to be recognized for thinking and writing?
Is public speaking your forte?
Do you have a talent?
Would you like applause and money, too?

This year’s conference will afford four opportunities for students to compete.

The Oratorical Contest – Each contestant will develop a speech that ties together his or her interpretation of Tim Vallie’s "The Duality of Darkness and Light" and the conference theme. The total speaking time must be a minimum of 2 minutes and no more than 2.5 minutes.

The Essay Contest – Contestants will submit an essay that ties together their interpretation of Tim Vallie’s "The Duality of Darkness and Light" and the conference theme. All essays will be published.

The Talent Competition – Contestants will demonstrate their talent as a part of the conference program.

The Academic Quiz Bowl - One team of four students from each school may enter. Schools wishing to compete must contact Mrs. McLean no later than March 7, 2014.

A panel of judges will determine the first and second place winners in each competition. Awards and monetary prizes will be given.

TO COMPETE
YOU MUST REGISTER EARLY

The Duality Of Darkness And Light
By Tim Vallie

If I search and seek inside my mind
The deeper I look the more I find
Exists a spiritual duality of darkness and light
My soul mirrors the world, the day and the night
In the darkness I seek the light to guide
From the sunlight I seek a shadow to hide
The dark is my shield, the light is my blade
They guide and protect me, the light and the shade
They are the sides of coin, opposed yet part of the same
They the sides of a blade, one cold one a flame
This is the spiritual duality of darkness and light
The immortal struggle of the day and the night
Two sides of one coin, two sides of one blade
The darkness and light, tools used yet obeyed
The shade of the daylight, the light in the night
Our immortal mortality, our hope yet our plight
The darkness a shield, the light a bright sword
To refuse their protection we cannot afford
Their immortal struggle, mirrored in our souls
They both play their parts, they both have their roles
A spiritual duality the darkness and light
A reflection of reality the day and the night
ATTENTION ALL ADVISORS

Each year, in addition to plenary sessions and workshops, our Du Bois Invitational Honors Conference features student competitions. This year’s conference will provide an opportunity for students to demonstrate their talents, their public speaking abilities, and their writing abilities.

For the oratorical competition, participants will deliver speeches that are 2 to 2.5 minutes in length. Students who compete in the talent portion will perform during the closing plenary session.

Student submissions for the essay competition will be published. Only two students per school will be permitted to compete in the essay and oratorical competitions. Only one entry (student or group) from each school may compete in the talent competition. First and second place winners in each category will receive monetary awards.

We do hope that you will encourage your students to participate in the competitions. Please note: because the essay submission will be published, and the talent and oratorical entries must be scheduled in the conference program, SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 7.

We look forward to the best conference yet!