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U.S. Coast Guard Accepting Processing Applications

The United States Coast Guard Academy has announced that it is now accepting a processing applications for appointment as Cadet, U.S. Coast Guard, Class of 1986. Applications are being accepted from men and women.

Appointments as Coast Guard Cadets are tendered solely on the basis of an annual nationwide - competition with no congressional appointments or geographical quotas. Applications for appointment must be submitted to the Director of Admissions, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, prior to December 15, 1981.

Candidates must arrange to participate in either the College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Testing Assessment (ACT) prior to or including the December 12, 1981 administration for the ACT and the December 5 administration for the SAT.

The competition for appointment as Cadet is based on candidate's high school rank, performance on either the SAT or ACT, and leadership potential as demonstrated by participation in high school

extracurricular activities, community affairs and/or part-time employment. Most successful candidates rank in the top quarter of their high school class and demonstrate proficiency in both the mathematical and applied science fields.

To qualify for the competition, an applicant must be unmarried at the time of appointment, have no legal obligations resulting from a prior marriage, and must have reached the age of 17 but not 22 by July 1, 1982. All applicants must be assured of high school graduation by June 30, 1982.

Applicants must have completed three units in English, and three in mathematics to include algebra and plane or coordinate geometry or their equivalents, and must fulfill basic physical requirements. Coast Guard Cadets obtain an excellent undergraduate education at no personal expense. In addition, they receive pay and allowances fully adequate to fulfill their ordinary living expenses. The constantly updated Academy curriculum offers nine majors, which include, electrical, civil,

ocean and marine engineering; marine, mathematical and physical sciences; management and government. These areas of academic interest, combined with varied elective course, establish a solid foundation for a challenging career. Graduates of the Academy are awarded a Bachelor of Science degree and are commissioned as ensigns in the United States Coast Guard. Selected officers may pursue further postgraduate education and specialized training at many leading civilian and military graduate or professional schools, in such fields as aviation, business administration, electronics, engineering, law and oceanography.

The young Academy graduate can look forward to a varied, exciting and demanding career as a regular Coast Guard officer. The Coast Guard performs essential humanitarian missions vital to the safety and saving of lives at sea. Under the Department of Transportation, the Coast Guard establishes and coordinates search and rescue operations by ship and plane, maintains advanced electronic and other aids to navigation scattered around the globe, operates the icebreakers which clear the way for all polar expeditions, and enforces marine law and all aspects of merchant marine safety. In addition, the Coast Guard has responsibility for boating safety and marine environmental protection.

Applications and additional information may be obtained by writing to: Director of Admissions, United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Connecticut 06320.

OFFICIALS

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Probably the most noteworthy fact about the number and distribution of black elected officials is their stability. Since 1976, the rate of growth has been relatively low, and the distribution geographically and by level of office has changed little. Milton Morris, director of research at the Joint Center, said of this year's findings, "While the continued growth in the number of black elected officials is encouraging, its pace can only be a cause for concern in view of the massive disparities between the proportion of offices held by blacks and the proportion of blacks in the population as a whole."

A complete listing of black elected officials throughout the country and a set of statistical tables will be available in the 1981 Roster of Black Elected Officials, the eleventh annual edition, which will be published in December. Copies may be ordered from JCPS for \$23.

Microcomputer Class Set For Teachers

North Carolina Central University will offer a spring semester course for teachers "who don't know anything about computers," intended to teach instructors to program microcomputers and use them in classroom instruction.

Dr. William T. Fletcher, chairman of the university's Department of Mathematics, said the course will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. each Wednesday beginning January 13. Teachers from Durham and adjacent counties have been sent brochures describing the course.

"This course is designed for teachers who don't know anything about computers," Dr. Fletcher said. "We will teach them everything they need to know to begin using microcomputers in their classrooms."

The 15-week course will offer instruction in two computer languages, BASIC and PASCAL. The last five weeks of the course will be devoted to the fundamentals of computer-assisted instruction. Teachers enrolled will develop their own projects suitable for classroom use.

Fletcher said teachers who have no access to microcomputers in their schools will be enrolled in a Saturday morning laboratory, from 9 to 11 a.m. each Saturday, to use NCCU's facilities.

In connection with the course, a "microcomputer fair" will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Saturday, January 16. Vendors of microcomputers and microcomputer services have been invited to staff the fair, with demonstrations of their products.

Information about the course is available from Dr. William T. Fletcher, chairman of the mathematics department, at 683-6315, or from the university's Office of Continuing Education, 683-6347.

Dr. Knight Honored

Dr. Octavia B. Knight, director of special education and professor of education at North Carolina Central University, was one of several persons honored recently by the North Carolina Council of Administrators of Special Education.

The group honored members for "outstanding administrative leadership for 15 or more years" at a special luncheon during the recent meeting of the 33rd Exceptional Children's Conference held in Winston-Salem by the Division for Exceptional Children of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.

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Black Youth Must Fight Unemployment Through Political Involvement: White

PHILADELPHIA — A Temple University sociologist believes black youth need to fight their crippling unemployment rate by registering to vote and joining community-based political organizations.

"Black youth need to respond to their situation in a very pragmatic manner. If they don't pursue the issues themselves, no one will do it for them," predicts Clark White, a black sociologist who has done extensive research on rates of black youth unemployment, and who was a commentator of NBC-TV's recent White Paper, "America — Black and White."

"Given the condition of the economy, nothing of great significance can be expected from the private sector for providing jobs.

"Young people should participate at the grassroots level in the political organization of their neighborhoods and communities.

"Forming interest groups and unemployment councils could provide the mechanism for effective lobbying of politicians and special people between the ages of 16 and 25, who face said.

"These interest groups and councils made up of youth who are eligible voters could have tremendous political are a vital resource if

clout at the local level and be able to determine the outcome of elections and the implementation of various manpower programs."

He believes elected officials can and must be lobbied for their support of special interest groups, such as young, black, unemployed, registered voters.

"Black youth have to be taught political values that will move them beyond the traditional solutions that usually blame the victim rather than the structural causes of the victim's problems.

"Black youth should also be taught to realize that the world economy is in a state of rapid change and it affects their lives."

According to recent statistics released by the U.S. Department of Labor, the unemployment rate for black youth is at least fifty per cent. But some experts, including White, believe the numbers are too conservative.

"These statistics indicate that within urban America there is a 'lost generation' of young people between the ages of 16 and 25, who face the possibility of never finding a job on a long-term basis," claims White.

"These young people are a vital resource if

America is to experience an urban renaissance.

"Unemployed black youth don't fit any of the popular stereotypes that some 'experts' would like us to believe," he continues.

"Not all of them carry guns, shoot dope or attack innocent people. A large percentage of them attend school on a regular basis and participate in church and community activities."

However, there is one thing all blacks have in common — the difficulty of getting a job.

Since 1954, black youth have experienced one of the highest rates of unemployment for any group in the labor market. Data from the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics show that the unemployment rate for black teenagers doubled from 16.5 per cent in 1954 to 36.9 per cent in 1975.

Between 1975 and 1977, White says the black teenage unemployment rate was approximately forty per cent.

White made a study of black youth unemployment in the Detroit area before arriving at Temple and found that in 1980, unemployment in the Detroit standard metropolitan statistical areas was 62 per cent.

In addition to unemployment, White reports a high percentage of black youth are highly visible in mental health institutions and prisons, and that the number of suicides among black teenagers has also increased.

"Whenever the economy goes into a recession this group is always the hardest hit," he says.

"Historically, black youth have always been on the bottom in the labor market — whether he was a young planta-

tion slave, sharecropping field hand or an industrial laborer.

"When they do find work, it is in peripheral low wage jobs such as floor washers, fruit and vegetable pickers, hospital orderlies or parking lot attendants."

White is an instructor at Temple and will finish his doctoral dissertation on black youth unemployment, "The Lost Generation: Black Youth Unemployment in Detroit," some time this year.

Misconceptions About Colds Outlined

By Parker Herring
"When you were a child, your grandmother probably warned you, 'Don't get chilled, you may catch cold.'"

Well, grandma was right about chills and colds, says a Duke University Medical Center physician, but for the wrong reason.

"A chill really has nothing to do with giving you a cold," said Dr. Charles Ellenbogen, an associate professor in the Division of Infectious Diseases. "But a chill is the first thing you may feel when you're getting a cold."

And grandma's advice

to cover your mouth when you sneeze probably doesn't help stop the spread of colds, he said.

"We know now that person-to-person contact is the biggest spreader of colds," he said. "Because you contaminate your hands when you cover your mouth, contact with your hands may spread the cold virus."

Although scientists have identified 130 viruses that cause colds, they still don't know how to cure them. The average adult gets two to four colds a year. Ellen-

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