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## Pit to remain open during Student Stores renovation

By JUSTIN MCGUIRE  
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In response to student concern, plans to close off the Pit during renovations to the Student Stores have been changed, a University architect said Thursday.

The entire Pit will not be closed off at any time, S. Thomas Shumate, consulting architect with the facilities planning and design office, said at a meeting of student leaders and University officials.

"They (UNC administrators) didn't

realize student concern would be as great as it was," said Student Body President Brian Bailey, who met Wednesday with University planning officials and the Student Stores general manager to draw up the new plan.

Under the new plan, a chain-link fence will close about half of the Pit between the Student Stores and the trees from as early as November to mid-April.

By then, workers will have finished installing utility pipes and adding a

vestibule to the front of the store. After April, only the corner of the Pit between the store and Undergraduate Library will be closed. During that period, the inside of the store will be renovated.

Under the original plan, the entire Pit would have been closed from January to August.

While construction is in progress, Shumate said, customers will enter the Student Stores through a temporary entrance on the side of the

building near the Union. For that purpose, double doors will be installed in the emergency exit located in the store's art department, he said.

Bailey said he was pleased with the plan and glad that the whole Pit would not be closed off.

"Something had to be closed while the construction was done," he said. "This way, we're losing the least space possible."

Most of the activity takes place in the front of the Pit, Bailey said, so the amount of space left should be

adequate for student activities.

Archie Copeland, Student Union director, said holding rallies with only part of the Pit open could congest traffic in front of Lenior Hall.

But Bailey said rallies are usually held only in the front part of the Pit, so the lack of space probably would not cause problems.

To avoid class disturbances and safety hazards, Shumate said the contractor will be asked to limit when trucks deliver materials and equip-

ment to the work area. Truck traffic will be concentrated before 8:30 a.m. and after 2 p.m., he said.

But the rule will not be hard and fast, Shumate said. "It just sets down the rules of the game."

No jackhammers or bulldozers will be used during construction, so noise shouldn't be a big problem, he said.

If workers disturb students in Greenlaw Hall, the classroom building closest to the work area, the University Registrar's office may move classes to other locations.



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Students for Educational Access hold a protest banquet outside the Morehead Building

## Students hold demonstration during candidates' banquet

By KIMBERLY EDENS  
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"Why weren't we invited?" read fliers distributed by student protesters on the west front of the Morehead Building as Secretary of Education William Bennett arrived for a reception Thursday night.

While Bennett and other U.S. dignitaries attended a banquet in honor of the candidates participating in today's presidential forum, members of Students for Educational Access (SEA) held their own banquet of bread and water to protest financial aid cuts and the exclusion of students from decisions on higher education.

Official guests included Democratic presidential candidate Jesse Jackson, Rep. David Price, UNC Chancellor Christopher Fordham and UNC-system President C.D. Spangler.

"We are holding this demonstration to protest the fact that tuition keeps rising 5 to 7 percent every year, and financial aid doesn't rise with it," said SEA member Scott Morton.

"Since Secretary Bennett has been an instrumental figure in the Reagan administration's attempts to cut financial aid, we felt this was an appropriate symbolic gesture," he said.

Student Body President Brian

Bailey, the only student invited to the banquet, said students should be included in the process of educational reform.

"Financial aid cuts do nothing but hinder students' opportunity," Bailey said. "We must make sure that the problems of today do not become the disasters of tomorrow."

Bryan Hassel, a former student body president and an SEA member, said students should have a voice in educational reform.

"If you're going to make policy that's going to affect a group of people, that group needs to be

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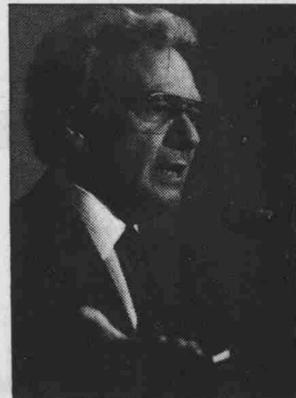
## Bennett suggests education reforms

By LAURIE DUNCAN  
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Viewers of "Education '88" should judge the 1988 presidential candidates by their proposals for spending federal education funds, U.S. Secretary of Education William Bennett told about 30 reporters Thursday afternoon at the Koury Natatorium.

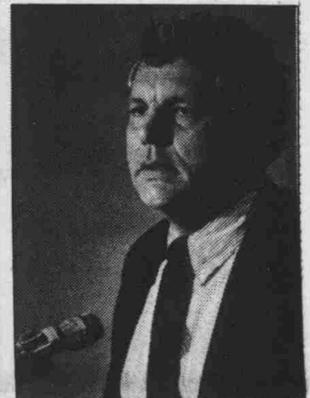
Bennett and another nationally renowned education expert, Ernest Boyer, will attend the presidential candidates forum that begins at 9:30 a.m. today with a discussion among the seven Democratic contenders. Two Republican candidates, Rep. Jack Kemp of New York and former Delaware Gov. Pierre du Pont, will debate at 1:30 p.m.

The federal government needs to target its education funds toward attracting outstanding teachers, evaluating teachers, establishing merit programs for deserving teachers and providing better educational opportunities for disadvantaged children, said Boyer, president of the



Ernest Boyer

Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. The Foundation, associated with Princeton University, works toward



William Bennett

school and college reform and toward the advancement of education.

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## Simon gives pre-forum speech to students in Hamilton Hall

By MATT BIVENS  
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"The White House is no place to put someone who holds his or her finger to the wind and says what are the latest public opinion polls," Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., a contender for the Democratic presidential nomination, told about 250 people in Hamilton Hall Thursday night.

The speech, sponsored by Students for Simon, was followed by a question and answer session.

Simon said candidates need to take

tough stands on issues, such as the Iran-contra affair.

"I said '(Lt.) Col. (Oliver) North is not a hero' and there were boos from the audience," Simon said. "Our heroes are not those who lie, who cheat, who destroy evidence and violate the laws."

Calling for "a government that cares," Simon criticized unemployment under President Reagan as a leading cause of the deficit. The 6 percent unemployment rate is "not a real figure," he said.

Simon also proposed spending cuts to create a "stronger, leaner, more flexible defense, depending more on conventional weapons," and raising taxes as a last resort.

Simon, who claims to have passed more education laws than all the other candidates combined, called for tougher elementary curriculum, pay hikes for teachers, and more emphasis on foreign languages.

He criticized the increasing eco-

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## Committee to explore students' awareness of admissions policy

By BARBARA LINN  
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At the request of the UNC system, the State Board of Education has formed a committee to find out why N.C. high school students remain unaware of the new admission requirements for system schools.

The UNC-system Board of Governors postponed raising admission standards after learning that almost half of this year's high school seniors could not meet the new requirements. The higher standards will now go into effect in 1990 instead of next year.

A telephone survey being drawn up by the Board of Education committee will examine the methods that North Carolina high schools used to inform students of the new requirements, said committee member Pat Neal.

The committee will try to find why and where the communication breakdown occurred, Neal said.

Last year, a UNC-system survey of 1,500 N.C. high school juniors in 101 public high schools found that 83 percent of the students did not know of the raised admission requirements until they were juniors, and that 49 percent could not meet the requirements by graduation.

Sandy Leighton, a guidance counselor at Chapel Hill High School, said counselors there did everything possible last year to spread word of the higher standards.

"We posted memos, mentioned the requirements at every class meeting, passed out brochures and sent information to parents," she said.

They also included information in the weekly newsletter that went to all classrooms, Leighton said.

She said almost all the students were aware of the raised requirements. "Those that did not know didn't listen, or didn't read."

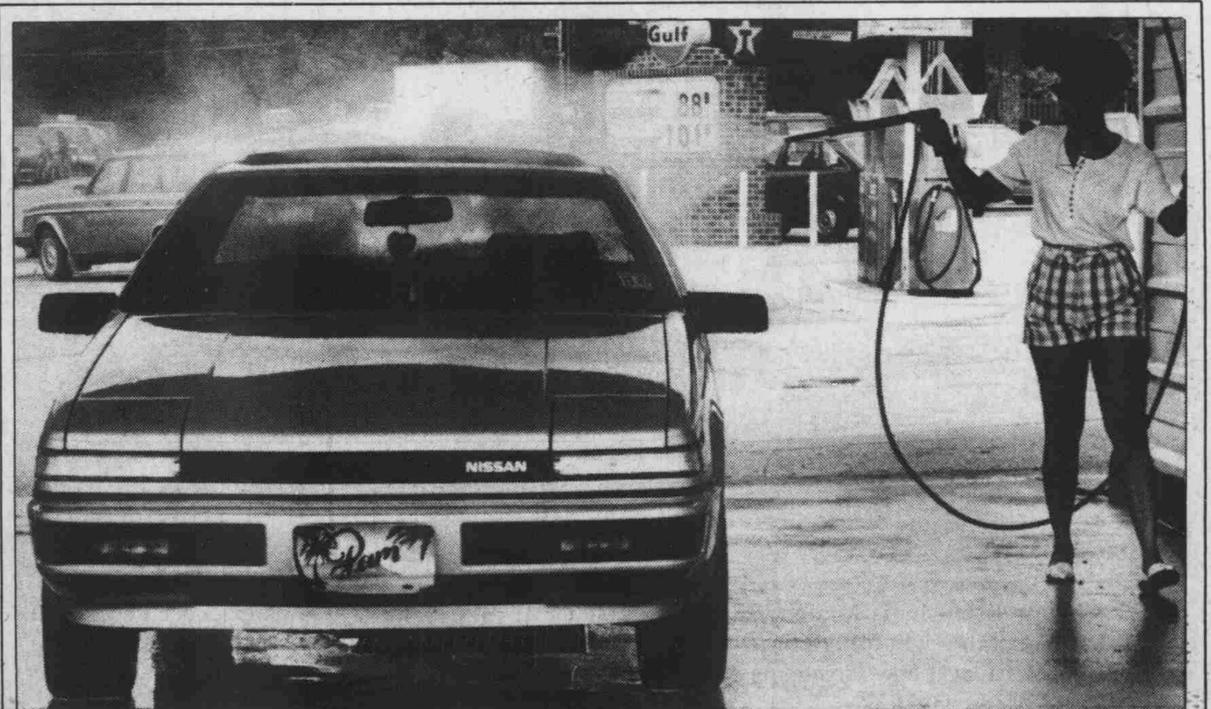
The counselors were surprised that the BOG postponed raising the requirements, Leighton said. "We felt our students were very well informed."

Mary-Catherine Kuralt, a senior at Chapel Hill High, said she found out about the requirements from her parents during her sophomore year.

"There is a place here at school where all the college information is located," she said. "We could find out about admission requirements there."

Students at the high school receive

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### It's a wash

Pam Thompson, a sophomore from Bear Creek, took time out Wednesday afternoon to wash her car, which was a "mess."

Fortunately, after the downpour over the past few days, the voluntary water conservation measures have been lifted.

An idea isn't responsible for the people who believe in it. — Don Marquis