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Kelvin Bryant on his way to 137 yards in Carolina's 56-14 rout over Boston College. During the Georgia Tech game Oct. 3, he suffered a left knee injury. Doctors say that Bryant will be out for the rest of the

Guidance counselors influence few

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Many black students at UNC said that the opinions of their high school guidance counselors were not a final deciding factor in their decision to attend this university.

According to Donella Croslan, associate director of UNC's Upward Bound Program and a former guidance counselor, most of the black students who attend UNC had averages above 85.5 in high school. Croslan said that students with averages between 90 and 99.9 decided what to do with their parents while students with averages between 89.9 and 70.2 needed more development in their education.

Lavonnie Perry, a sophomore public health administration major from Wendell, said that her guidance counselor "really didn't influence me that much. I knew what I wanted to do." Perry also said, "Carolina was a more prestigious school, (than North Carolina Central University, her other choice) and coming from Carolina I figured I would be more apt to get a better job. North Carolina State University's Upward Bound Program was a major force in directing Perry through providing college courses and visits to colleges while she was still in high school. Of the guidance counselors at his school, Hampton Allen, a sophomore drama and speech communications major from Wadesboro, said, "I would not go to the black guidance counselor because he would always try to get everyone to go to NC A&T State because he went there."

administration major from Raleigh, said he came because UNC was highly regarded and had one of the best business schools in the area.

Freshman Joy Paige, a zoology major from Milbrook High School in Raleigh, said that her high school counselor did not play a big role in her decision to attend UNC, but that he was encouraging.

Paige first heard about UNC from friends. She attended Project Uplift at UNC during the spring of her junior year. Her high school counselor recommended her for the program.

Cathie Battle, a freshman music major from Rocky Mount Senior High School in Rocky Mount, N.C., was offered a partial scholarship to attend NCCU but she chose UNC. "I decided to come to UNC because of the proximity of the campus to my home," Battle said. "I wanted to come to UNC also because I was looking for a college that had a good music department and also a good academics department. William Hutchisson, my counselor, told me about what this black," said Hutchisson.

Larry Manning is a freshman history major from Shelby High School, Shelby, N.C. Manning said that UNC appealed to him because of the history program. Manning also said that his counselor played a part in his decision to attend UNC.

Don Shull, who was Manning high school counselor remembers Manning as one black student who received scholarships.

"I would say that out of the last three years, Shelby has been sending about two or three black students per year," said Shull.

Freshman Pamela Gilmore is a sociology major from Longwood High School on Long Island, New York. Gilmore said she heard about UNC from her relative who is a sophomore at UNC. Gilmore said her guidance counselor encouraged her to attend UNC and she told her what to expect.

"We sat down and talked about going to college and we discussed where I wanted to go," said Gilmore. "My counselor also told me it would be tougher on me since I was and out-of-state student."

Black students rally, support colleges

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Approximately 3,000 black students from across the state marched through downtown Raleigh Sept. 28 to show their support for black colleges.

The march; which began at Memorial Auditorium and went up to Wilmington Street, ended with a two-hour rally at the Capitol, where speakers criticized the Reagan administration and the recent desegregation agreement between the 16-campus UNC school system and the U.S. Department of Education.

The students, organized by the North Carolina Association of Black Student Governments, expressed concerns that traditionally black institutions were in danger because they were not receiving the same financial backing as other colleges. They also said that the federal budget cuts would hurt black colleges more than others.

Students involved in the rally came from N.C. Central, N.C. A&T State, Shaw, Winston-Salem State, Fayetteville State, Elizabeth City State, and Johnson C. Smith universities, and Barber-Scotia colleges. Police estimated the crowd numbered about 3,000.

"We are here today to educate black students and people in the state of North Carolina to the economic, political and social strategies that are used to undermine, circumvent and destroy black colleges," said Curtis Massey, a senior at NCCU and chairman of the NCABSG.

Massey said the federal cuts in aid to public and private education would be felt more strongly in traditionally black institutions because they already were so far behind other schools.

Massey said the UNC consent decree was vague and did not go far enough to help the predominantly black institutions. He also criticized the decree because it placed the responsibility of implementation on UNC's good faith.

"I'd like to ask (UNC) President (William C.) Friday where was the good faith when the veterinary school was placed on the campus of North Carolina State University instead of A&T," Massey said.

A junior Industrial Relations major from Hillsboro, Desiree Whitted also came to UNC because, "It's a very prestigious school."

Harmon Crutchfield, a senior business

school had to offer."

"I really don't try to sell any program," Hutchisson said, a guidance counselor from Rocky Mount. When a representative from UNC comes to our school, we try to advertise to all students. We advertise in the school bulletin, in homerooms and on bulletin boards. What we really try to do is let the students know what universities are available and allow them to make their choice." Hutchisson recalls one black student who graduated from Rocky Mount Senior High and who received a scholarship from UNC. That student is freshman Terri Bravant who received a Joseph E. Pogue Scholarship. "I would say there are about 75 to 100 students from Senior High presently attending UNC. I would guess about 30 percent are

Freshman Richard Lineberger, an accounting major from East Mecklenburg High School in Charlotte, N.C., said that his teachers who are alumni of UNC influenced his decision to attend UNC. He also said that his counselor had little to do with his choice to come to UNC.

"Richard is a good student. If he needed information, he came by to get it," said high school counselor Steve Rainwater. "I don't think enough blacks utilize the counseling services and if they do it is usually late, like in their senior year. I think one thing we haven't done that maybe we should do is seek those students out because they are not coming on their own. Many do not have the qualifications but they have the potential.

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In a telephone interview, Friday said, "I have no desire to engage in any response. (Massey) has a right to criticize the consent decree and any other issue as he wishes."

Stephen Kirk, student government president at A&T, said he wanted academic equality now.

"We're tired of voices telling us to be cool. We've been cool too long. We want all rights and privileges afforded to our white counterparts," he said. "We won't wait 100 years. We won't wait 50 years. We won't wait a few weeks. We want them now." In the keynote speech, Benjamin S. Ruf-

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