



Members of the Class of 2013 (from left) Shaundreal Jamison, Whitney Feltus, Michelle Long, Nicole Sussman, William Vincent, Candice Roberts and Shasta Henderson.

Medical School welcomes Class of '13

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Wake Forest University School of Medicine has welcomed the Class of 2013. One hundred and twenty new students arrived for orientation before they began courses on Aug. 3.

In response to state and national initiatives to meet the need for physicians, the class numbers 120 for the third year, up from 108 five years ago. The new students were chosen from a pool of 7,102 applicants. Half of the students are male, and half are female. Students who are under-represented in medicine (African Americans, Native Americans, Native Hawaiians, Mexican Chicanos and mainland

Puerto Ricans) constitute 16 percent of the class.

The students come from 28 states and two foreign countries. Forty-six of the students are from North Carolina.

"This class will not only have to learn an astounding amount of information, but they will also learn to work within a continuously changing system of health care delivery that will be equally new to their professors," said Dr. K. Patrick Ober, associate dean for education at the medical school and professor of internal medicine, endocrinology and metabolism. "Members of the class of 2013 will find that their communication abilities,

humanistic values and professionalism will be as important as their medical knowledge in making them superb doctors."

The class of 2013 is the last one selected under the direction of Lewis H. Nelson III, who retired as associate dean for medical school admissions on June 30. Gretchen L. Wells, M.D., Ph.D., associate professor of internal medicine, cardiology, assumed the position on July 1.

Dr. Mark P. Knudson, associate professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine, was appointed associate dean for student services on June 1.

Children's Home gets thumbs-up for accreditation team

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The Children's Home has earned re-accreditation from the Council of Accreditation (COA). The Children's Home was first accredited by COA in 2005 and every four years must apply for re-accreditation.

This process involves a detailed review and analysis of both an organization's administrative operations and its service delivery practices. COA reviews and reaccredits the entire organization, not just specific programs; you can have confidence in the credibility, integrity and achievement of the entire organization. All are measured against national standards of best practice.

These standards emphasize services that are accessible, appropriate, culturally responsive, evidence based, and outcomes-oriented. In addition, they confirm that the services are provided by a skilled and supported workforce and that all individuals are treated with dignity and respect.

"All of those associated with the Home - the families and children who are served, the staff and those who support the Home in tangible and intangible ways - can be pleased that it demonstrate once again that it measures up to the highest national standards for such institutions," said Tom Lambeth, incoming Chairman of The Children's Home Board of Trustees.

The Children's Home, which is located on 212 acres at 1001 Reynolda Road, was established in 1909.



Y offering discount to those who give to backpack project

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In response to the mounting costs of back-to-school necessities, the Winston Lake Family YMCA is kicking off its annual back-to-school backpack campaign to help families facing economic challenges.

Through Aug. 24, anyone who brings in a new backpack will receive up to \$49 off the YMCA's joining fee. At the end of the month-long promotion, the YMCA will give all of the book bags it collects to children in need.

For more information on the Winston Lake Family YMCA and the backpack



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