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More than 400 college and high school students from around the state will converge on Chapel Hill this weekend for a Student Action Conference.

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UNC Student Body President Joe Stallings hopes the conference will "discuss common goals and action on several important issues, including voter registration, reorganization of higher education, student legal rights, out-of-state tuition, academic reform, and the authority and integrity of student governments."

"We have set aside ample time to plan action on various areas of concern, and it is my hope that three or four areas will be chosen on which well-defined plans of implementation will be decided," Stallings said.

"After my recent work in legislature, I have found it impossible to separate campus activities from politics," Stallings added. "Our voice in voting won't be heard unless we act in a united way. Only through united action are we going to accomplish substantive change."

The conference is being held on the UNC campus, with accommodations for the visiting students provided in Morrison Dorm. The meetings will be held and meals served in Chase Cafeteria.

Jeffries and Butch Rooks, both recent graduates of Carolina, have spent the last two months canvassing the state campuses in an effort to build support for the conference.

Jeffries reported that the response so far has been "overwhelmingly favorable." The presidents of the different campuses, the editors of the campus newspapers, and all summer interns in state agencies have been invited to attend.

A number of high-school students as well as some college-age youths who are not attending school have also been invited.

The student conference is being

sponsored by eleven universities from across the state. These include UNC-CH, UNC-G, UNC-C, N.C. State, Appalachian State, ECU, Davidson, Duke, Queens, Winston Salem State and Fayetteville State.

Registration for the conference will begin at noon on Friday. Two issue workshops will be held on Friday, at 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, a third issue workshop will be held, and the various action groups will start meeting.

At 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, Allard K. Lowenstein will address the conference. Lowenstein, a graduate of UNC, was the organizer of the "Dump Johnson" campaign in 1967, and is presently the national chairman of Americans for Democratic Action. The topic of Lowenstein's speech will be "The Politics of '72." This session will be open to the public.

The conference will end at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday after the groups have submitted their final reports, and follow up groups have been formed.

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Ex-Congressman to speak at conference

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Allard K. Lowenstein, ex-Congressman from New York who led the "dump Johnson" movement in 1967, will be the featured speaker at the Student Action Conference this weekend.

Lowenstein will speak on "The Politics of '72" at 8 p.m. this Saturday. The speech is scheduled to be held in Hill Hall on the University campus, and is open to the public.

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According to Jeffries, Lowenstein suggested the idea for the conference.

"Last spring, Al Lowenstein got together and talked with a few student leaders about what politically needed to be done in North Carolina. From that session came the idea for this conference," Jeffries said.

Lowenstein, a 1949 graduate of UNC, served one term as the Democratic Congressman from Nassau County, New York.

Lowenstein has taught at a variety of universities, including N.C. State,

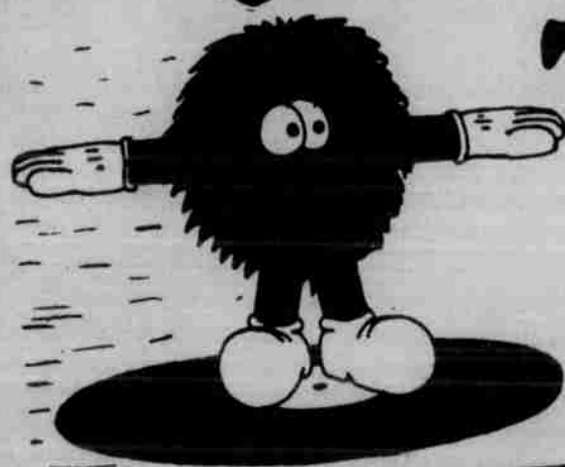
Stanford, City University of New York and Yale.

He is presently the national chairman of Americans for Democratic Action (ADA), and the founder of "Registration Summer," a group of 50 students who travel around the country and encourage 18-year-olds to register and exercise their right to vote.

Rod Fonda, a representative of Registration Summer, has been helping in Chapel Hill for the past month to assist in organizing the Student Action Conference.

The establishment of a state-wide coordinating board that would conduct a voter registration drive is one of the main goals of the Conference.

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