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**BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE
GOVERNOR**

To: North Carolina Principals and School Counselors

Thank you for your continued support of the Governor's Page Program, which for decades has helped North Carolina's young people recognize the value of volunteerism and public service. As someone who works with students every day, you know the importance of equipping them with the necessary tools to become future leaders of our state and nation.

The Page program is a great opportunity to teach students about their government and to inspire them to get involved. This year-round program offers high school students an opportunity to spend a week in the state's capital. Pages are assigned to various state agencies, observing and participating in the day-to-day activities of public servants. In addition, students attend meetings with elected officials and tour historic landmarks such as the State Capitol, Executive Mansion, Legislative Building and the Supreme Court. A Page schedule, application requirements and instructions are enclosed.

Since I became governor, I have listened to many pages tell me how rewarding and valuable this experience is. To that end, I ask you to help me continue to make the program successful by encouraging your students to participate during the 2009-2010 school year.

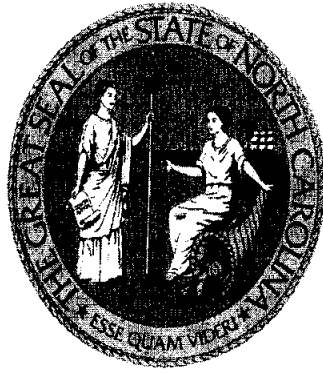
Again, thank you for your service to our state and for your efforts to create a brighter future for our children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bev Perdue". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B".

Bev Perdue





**Governor's Page Program
Schedule of Activities/ August 24-28, 2009**

Monday	1:00 – 1:30	Check-in/Registration Administration Building Lobby
	1:30 – 3:30	Program Orientation Press Conference Room, First Floor Administration Building
	3:30 – 4:30	Report to Departmental Contact
	4:45	Dismissal
Tuesday	8:00 – 8:15	Briefing/Overview/Annette Newkirk Press Conference Room, First Floor Administration Building Annette Newkirk 715-0962 Annette.Newkirk@nc.gov
	8:30 – 9:15	Tour of Legislative Building/#44 on map
	9:30 – 10:30	Tour of Museum of History/#38 on map
	10:45 – 11:45	Briefing/Tour of State Supreme Court/#41 on map Lobby of Justice Building/2 East Morgan Street Danny Moody/931-5920 dgm@sc.state.nc.us
	12:00 – 1:00	Lunch

	1:00 – 3:00	Report to Departmental Contact NOVEMBER: COURT OF APPEALS
	3:00 – 3:30	Briefing/Tour of NC Emergency Operations Center BasementLobby/Administration Building Brenda Jones/715-9216/bmjones@ncem.org
	3:30 – 4:00	Briefing/Youth Advocacy NC Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service Press Conference Room/Administration Bldg. Stephanie Nantz /807-4400/ Stephanie.nantz@doa.nc.gov Tim Kelly /715-2279 Tim.kelly@nc.gov
	4:00 – 4:45	Wellness Location: Press Conference Room/Administration Bldg.
	4:45 pm	Dismissal
Wednesday	8:00 – 9:00	Department Assignments
	9:00 – 10:00	Briefing/Attorney General's Office Lobby/Education Bldg./Edenton Street Technology Security/Identification Theft Caroline Farmer, Deputy Director, Victims and Citizen Services CFarmer@ncdoj.gov /716-0126
	10:30 – 12:30	Inter-Faith Food Shuttle – Service project
	1:00 – 2:00	Lunch
	2:00 – 3:00	Tour of Mansion
	3:15 – 4:00	Tour of State Capitol
	4:00 – 4:45	Department Assignment
	4:45	Dismissal
Thursday	8:00 – 10:30	Tour of NC Correctional Institution for Women

		Meet in Lobby/Administration Building
	11:00 – 12:00	Tour of Museum of Natural Sciences
	12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
	1:00 – 2:00	Special Presentation/ 5 th Fl. Administration Building
	2:00 – 4:45	Report Departmental Contact/Deliver Mail
	4:45	Dismissal
Friday	8:00 – 9:15	Departmental Assignments
	9:30 – 10:00	Education Briefing/Dialogue Press Conference Room/Administration Bldg Myra Best 733-0413 Myra.best@nc.gov Donald Barringer 715-0965/ Donald.barringer@nc.gov
	10:30 – 12:30	Volunteer at Soup Kitchen or Childcare Center Meet in Lobby/Administration Building
	12:30 – 1:30	Lunch
	1:30 – 2:00	Wrap-up/Press Room/Administration Building

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North Carolina Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service

Governor's Page Program

Congratulations on your appointment to serve as a Governor's Page! In order to help you prepare for your week, some important information has been included in this packet. Please review this information thoroughly so you will be fully prepared for your week of service.

DRESS CODE:

Business professional dress is required of all Pages. Students dressed inappropriately will not be permitted to participate in the program.

- Young men are required to wear dress slacks, coat and tie each day. Jeans and cargo pants **are not acceptable**.
- Young women are required to wear a skirt and blouse, dress or pantsuits each day. Skirts shorter than 2 inches above the knee **will not be permitted**. Denim, pants without a jacket, capri pants, tank tops, midriff shirts.

SHOES:

Students are encouraged to wear or bring athletic shoes and socks to work each day because of the distance of walking the state complex throughout the week. Flip flops, sandals or Birkenstock shoes **are not allowed**.

ITEMS TO BRING:

Umbrella, heavy coat in winter months, lunch money, schoolbooks, and assignments during the school year.

ITEMS NOT PERMITTED:

Chewing gum, walkman radios, MP3 players, cigarettes, hand-held games, pagers, bicycles, skateboards, and rollerblades

* **NOTE:** Cell phones are permitted but may only be used during the lunch hour and before/after the workday.

PARKING:

Students who chose to drive to downtown Raleigh may park in the Visitor's Parking Lot on the corner of Jones Street and Wilmington Street (fee charge; see attached map). The Visitor's Parking Lot is starred on the map (see attached). If a car is parked in any other lot, it will be towed at the owner's expense.

LODGING:

Parents are responsible for arranging accommodations for housing and transportation. It is acceptable for Pages to stay with an approved host family, relatives or family friends of their choice. A list of host families is included for your convenience. Host families will provide lodging, breakfast and dinner at a cost of \$100 per week. Please contact the host family directly to make reservations prior to arrival in Raleigh.

SPENDING MONEY:

Pages should bring money for lunch each day. Cafeterias, which serve soup, sandwiches and salads, are located in every building. A list of restaurants located within the downtown Raleigh area is provided during "the program orientation on Monday afternoon". Pages are not allowed to leave the downtown area for lunch or any other time during the workday.

SCHEDULE:

The work schedule is Monday from 1 pm to 5 pm, Tuesday through Thursday from 8 am to 5 pm and Friday from 8 am to 2 pm. Pages should be picked up on Friday at 2 pm in the Administration Building at 116 West Jones Street in downtown Raleigh.

REIMBURSEMENT:

On Friday, each student will receive a \$150 stipend should cover any expenses that were incurred during the week.

NOTE:

Keep money and all valuables in a safe place. The Governor's Office is not responsible for any personal property that is lost or stolen.

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My Week as a Governor's Page

My first thought is that I am grateful for this opportunity. As a high school senior, I face many decisions right now about college and my future. This week has helped me to take a first-hand look at the work world. I have learned the importance of getting a good education because the quality of my future work will depend on it. A good foundation makes a stronger structure.

My first day started a little slow because I was a little anxious. But other days were filled with interesting assignments and tours. It had been years since my family toured the museums, so that was good to see them again. I learned a lot.

Basically, this week I learned more than I ever knew about state government. I cannot wait to share what I learned with my friends and with the young students I work with as a mentor. Again, I thank Governor Perdue and her staff for this opportunity to serve as a Governor's Page for the State of North Carolina.

Lee Coleman
March 27, 2009