Provost Scholars Program

Case Western Reserve University | East Cleveland City Schools

Program Overview

The Provost Scholars is a partnership between Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) and East Cleveland City Schools. Founded by CWRU Provost William "Bud" Baeslack and East Cleveland City Schools District Superintendent, Ms. Myrna Corley, the program seeks to improve the academic outcomes of East Cleveland middle and high school students by matching them with Case faculty and staff in mentoring relationships, and providing them with the tools and resources necessary for their advancement after high school.

Provost Scholars will come to CWRU twice each week to work with their mentor and participate in other academic enrichment activities that reinforce the students' positive approaches to learning.

Participants

Students will be enrolled male and female students at Heritage Middle School or Shaw High School. Potential Scholars must also be full-time students in the East Cleveland Public School District. Parents and guardians of students involved in the program will be invited to attend the monthly seminar, Parents College at Case, intensive university seminars, field trips, and other planned activities.

Program mentors are current CWRU faculty or staff members from a range of departments and schools across campus. For more information about becoming a mentor, please visit, <u>www.case.edu/provostscholars</u> or call **Dr. Faye Gary**, the program director, at (216) 368-5240.



Shaw High School

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As a Provost Scholar, students will:

- Be matched with a CWRU faculty or staff member
- Obtain individualized advising and mentoring for the duration of the program
- Receive one-to-one tutoring with an undergraduate student volunteer
- Participate in weekly seminars and bi-monthly field trips to enrich their knowledge in various academic disciplines, including law, medicine, business, and the arts and sciences
- Receive regular support in their career aspirations by participating in college tours, engaging in lectures and seminars and developing an individualized academic and career plan

A Parent of a Provost Scholar, can:

- Participate in the Parents College at Case
- Attend yearly grand field trips
- Directly influence their Scholar's academic future
- Provide essential support for their Scholar's career goals

Mentors will:

- Meet every <u>Tuesday afternoon</u> from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with their Provost Scholar
- Assist their mentee with developing a career plan or resume
- Provide direct support to help their mentee develop social and emotional skills

Contact Information

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The **Provost Scholars Program** is designed to enrich the academic and learning experiences of **East Cleveland students** by pairing them with a **Case faculty mentor**, and providing weekly seminar sessions. The seminars are intensive workshops led by professional and experienced lecturers from across CWRU, University Circle, and the Greater Cleveland area. In addition to meeting weekly with their mentors, Scholars will also benefit from one-on-one tutoring help with Case undergraduate students, who are volunteers with the on-campus Step Up Program. These program components are just a portion of what the Provost Scholars has to offer its participants:

I. Mentoring Relationship

As a mentor, a current faculty or staff member will serve as an academic and career advisor, help their mentees improve their academic performance, and connect their mentees with other professionals in their field of interest

II. Intensive University Seminars

The seminars will provide additional opportunities and resources for mentees to gain knowledge in a variety of academic disciplines, and receive support in pursuing a post-secondary education

III. Local Field Trips and Yearly Grand Event

Each Provost Scholar will have the opportunity to visit local museums, theatres, and science centers to enrich their personal and academic knowledge. Every spring, program participants will also visit a larger tourist attraction to celebrate their completion of the year

IV. Academic and Career Planning and Support

In collaboration with their mentor, mentees will develop an individualized plan to help them pursue their academic and career goals

Provost Scholars Program Leaders



William A. "Bud" Baeslack III was appointed Provost and Executive Vice President at Case Western Reserve University on October, 1, 2008, and is responsible for all facets of the academic programs and research of the University. He also holds an appointment as Professor of Materials Science and Engineering.

Prior to joining CWRU, Provost Baeslack served as the Dean of the College of Engineering and Executive Dean of the Professional Colleges at The Ohio State University. Provost Baeslack is also internationally recognized for his research in the materials science and engineering field. Provost Baeslack received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in Welding Engineering from The Ohio State University and his Ph.D. degree in Materials Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.



Mrs. Corley is the superintendent of the East Cleveland City School District, and is an alum of John F. Kennedy High School, the University of Akron, and Cleveland State University. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Positive Education Program (PEP), founded in 1971. The PEP program was created in consultation with area school districts in the Greater Cleveland area to help schools better serve their most challenging students.

In her partnership with Case Western Reserve University, she has worked with the School of Dental Medicine to initiate the Healthy Bears for Healthy Teeth Program in primary classes throughout East Cleveland. More recently, she has worked with Provost William "Bud" Baeslack to implement the Provost Scholars Program.

If you would like more information about the Provost Scholars program, please contact:

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