

# Educational Update from HTC

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Happy New Year to all of you! Thank you for signing up for HTC email updates. I hope you enjoyed the winter break and holidays. Please take a few moments and read through the newsletter and see what HTC has to offer for you and your students. We have awards, scholarships, a trip to Washington, DC, a grants program and so much more. For more information, you can reach me by calling 369-8498 or emailing at [nicole.hyman@htcinc.net](mailto:nicole.hyman@htcinc.net). Visit [www.htcschool.com](http://www.htcschool.com) for the latest information about HTC's programs for area schools. And, tell other teachers in your school about HTC email updates and encourage them to sign up at [www.htcschool.com](http://www.htcschool.com).

## AND THE WINNERS ARE...

Congratulations to our winners of the drawing. Look for more information in the spring issue about special programs and opportunities to win more prizes.

anerone@horrycountyschools.net, HTC Gift Certificate  
bporter@horrycountyschools.net, Walmart Gift Card  
brogers@horrycountyschools.net, HTC Gift Certificate  
cfawley@horrycountyschools.net, Walmart Gift Card



## HTC and HEC ACCEPTING BRIGHT IDEAS APPLICATIONS

**HTC and Horry Electric are currently accepting applications for the Bright Ideas grant program now through June 1, 2009. Bright Ideas** is a grant program to provide funding for innovative classroom-based education projects.

"**Bright Ideas**" grants are intended to fund projects outside normal public school funding parameters and can be made available to all disciplines in grades K-12 in Horry County. A school may submit an application, and teachers are limited to one application per year. Visit [www.htcinc.net](http://www.htcinc.net) or [www.horryelectric.com](http://www.horryelectric.com) for applications and more information regarding guidelines and criteria for the Bright Ideas program.

## SCHOLARSHIP REMINDERS:

- ❖ Foundation for Rural Service Scholarship Applications are Due NOW to Nicole Hyman, PO Box 1820, Conway, SC 29528.
- ❖ Key Scholarship Applications will be accepted now through March 1, 2009, ATTN: KEY Scholarship Committee, PO Box 8941, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578.

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## **WHO WILL BE GOING TO WASHINGTON, DC ON THE FRS YOUTH TOUR?**

This June, HTC will sponsor two High School juniors to be among the 100 students to attend the Foundation for Rural Service's 2009 Youth Tour in Washington, D.C. The tour is scheduled from May 30 through June 3, and gives participants a first-hand look at the telecommunications industry and the legislative process by visiting Congress, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and other governmental agencies. HTC must select **two** qualified candidates based on the following requirements.

Students should:

- ❖ Be a high school junior;
- ❖ Have at least a C grade point average (GPA) or better;
- ❖ Demonstrate leadership in organizations and interest in community through volunteer activities;
- ❖ Write a letter explaining why he or she would like to attend and stating his or her future plans beyond high school;
- ❖ Obtain a letter of recommendation from a teacher or school official.

### **Parent must be an HTC member.**

Guidance counselors are responsible for recommending one student to represent their high school by completing the attached application form. Applications for the 2009 Youth Tour are due NOW. After each application is carefully reviewed, two students will be selected from all applicants by March 12, 2009.

## **LOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION IN THE NEXT EMAIL UPDATE ABOUT THE DIRECTORY AND CELL PHONE RECYCLING PROGRAM 2009**

April 1, 2009 will kick off the 18th year of the HTC Recycling Program 2009. Plans are being made now to provide incentives and prizes for participating schools to recycle more directories and more cell phones than ever before. Letters will be mailed later this month to all principals and recycling coordinators in public and private schools in Horry and Georgetown Counties. This recycling program has benefited local schools, the community and the environment and helped local schools in purchasing much needed computer software and equipment upgraded.

Last year, Conway Middle School recycled over 18,000 directories and it is certain that there are other schools that will be up to the challenge this year. If your school is interested in participating, don't delay in signing up. Call Nicole Hyman, Senior Marketing Coordinator, today at 369-8498 to make sure your school is on the list. Keep in mind that the deadline for the program is May 1 so start recycling now to get a head start.

Please encourage other teachers and staff members to sign up for HTC email updates. Those who sign up before **April 1, 2009** will be included in a drawing for various prizes such as HTC gift certificates, Wal-Mart gift cards and more. Winners will be announced in the next email update.