

INCPAS Scholars Schedule of Events

South Bend

2016-2017

August: Welcome Dinner for Students and Parents

Students and a guardian will attend a dinner and will be matched with their mentor. Additionally, students will receive their *INCPAS Scholars* toolkits.

September: Dress & Dine to Impress

The Dress & Dine to Impress event will teach *INCPAS Scholars* about appropriate business attire and dining etiquette at a business event. INCPAS Scholars will receive a complete business professional outfit (at no charge) that will be worn on office visits and other *INCPAS Scholars* outings.

October: Visit to Industry

INCPAS Scholars will meet for breakfast at a local CPA firm before departing to South Bend-area companies that employ CPAs. Previous visits have included Kropf Industries and the City of South Bend. This is an opportunity for *INCPAS Scholars* to see another side of the CPA profession and learn the ins and outs of being a CPA at a private company.

November: College Night

IU South Bend will host College Night for *INCPAS Scholars* and their guardians. *INCPAS Scholars* will learn the ins and outs of financial aid, FASFA and scholarships. Additionally, various IUSB representatives will be present to provide information about their accounting program, getting involved on campus and becoming a successful college student. Lastly, students will leave with a college application check list for the coming months.

December: Holiday Party

At the Holiday Party, *INCPAS Scholars* and mentors will meet to have fun and reflect on the first semester of the *INCPAS Scholars* program. Scholars, mentors and INCPAS staff will participate in fun games and enjoy a catered meal.

January: Mentor Lunch

During the month of January, *INCPAS Scholars* will meet with their mentors to talk about the coming semester and establishing both short and long term goals. This is also a great time to reflect on what has been learned during the first 5 months of the program.

February: CPA Day

For CPA Day, *INCPAS Scholars* will meet at a local CPA firm and will hear from a variety of CPAs in different areas in of the profession (audit/ nonprofit/forensic). Additionally, Scholars will work on actual case studies and will get a taste of what accounting is all about!

March: Visit to Indiana College

Having a college experience is extremely important when deciding to pursue accounting as a major. *INCPAS Scholars* will be picked up from school and will be taken, by limousine, to an Indiana college. *INCPAS Scholars* will tour the dorms, dining halls and the accounting department. A panel of accounting students will talk with the *INCPAS Scholars* about what they should expect once they're on campus.

April: Game On: CPAs in Action

High school students will gather at local CPA firm in downtown South Bend for the Society's annual career awareness program, *Game On: CPAs in Action*. *Game On* focuses on the importance of graduating from high school and promotes careers in the CPA profession to minority high school students. Students will participate in a variety of interactive exercises as well as go on an office visit.

May: Presentation to Classmates about INCPAS Scholars

INCPAS Scholars will be required to give a presentation to their peers (Careers class, Accounting/Business classes, etc.) about the CPA profession and what they've learned over the past nine months. Additionally, *INCPAS Scholars* will promote the *INCPAS Scholars* program and will recruit the next class of *INCPAS Scholars*. INCPAS will work with college readiness teachers to coordinate the presentations.

June/July: Job Shadow Week

INCPAS Scholars will have a meaningful job shadow with their mentor's firm/company. This job shadow will give the *INCPAS Scholars* a hands-on experience where they'll learn the ins and outs of the CPA profession.

August: Scholars Luncheon

INCPAS Scholars will be recognized at the Indiana CPA Society Scholars Reception and will be presented with academic gifts of \$500 and awards for the successful completion of the *INCPAS Scholars* program.