



January 20th, 2010

**MEMO: Principals, Guidance Counselors, and Teachers of 9th- 12th grade
Students in Rutherford County**

FROM: Sandra Pineault, Program Manager, Read to Succeed

RE: Express Yourself Arts Conference, Thursday, March 11, 2010

Read To Succeed of Rutherford County is excited to announce the date for the third annual Express Yourself Arts Conference, an arts experience for high school students in Rutherford County, to be held **8am-2:30pm, Thursday, March 11, 2010 at Patterson Park Community Center** in Murfreesboro.

This conference provides high school students the opportunity to know fellow artists in Rutherford County, participate in arts workshops, gain perspective on arts-oriented careers, and find support and resources locally for further creative work. The conference is tuition-free and is an approved activity of the Rutherford County school system and may be considered a field trip for students.

High school students in Rutherford County who are currently in the **9th, 10th, 11th, 12th grades** are eligible for the conference. Each school must *provide at least one (1) sponsoring teacher* who will accompany accepted students to the conference. This should be considered a professional day for attending teachers.

Applications are also available at readtosucceed.org. Applications are due **February 17, 2010**. Send them to:

**Read To Succeed/Express Yourself Arts Conference
P.O. Box 12161
Murfreesboro, TN 37129**

Applications will be judged based on student interest, neatness and legibility. Students will be notified of their acceptance the last week of February, as well as receive a packet of information and directions.

Please encourage your students with interests in the arts to consider applying. Contact ljackson@rutherfordchamber.org, or (615) 838-8444 with any questions.

Yours in the Arts,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Sandra Pineault'.

Sandra Pineault,
Program Manager, Read to Succeed