THE EMERGING LEADERS INSTITUTE

What is the Emerging Leaders Institute?
The Emerging Leaders Institute (E.L.I) is a non-credited program designed to recognize and develop the leadership potential of African American students at Bluefield State College. The group of undergraduates accepted into this program are selected through nominations by members of Bluefield State College.
The Emerging Leaders Institute (E.L.I) at Bluefield State College was established to foster academic excellence in deserving African American Students by providing them with the opportunity to pursue a quality education.

The Institute engages participants in a program, which will allow them to develop specific leadership and mentoring skills.
Emerging Leaders Institute serves as a mechanism to increase the interest and abilities of pre-collegiate African American Students in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.
Student Requirements

1. Regularly attend the Emerging Leaders meetings and seminars

2. Mentor 10 African American pre-collegiate students during the semester

3. Participate in a formal research project; and Maintain a 3.0 GPA
Benefits of E.L.I.

(E.L.I.) provides a support system to address the

- Academic
- Social
- Cultural
- Personal needs
- African American Students
Who are the Emerging Leaders?
Howard Coston Jr.

Hometown: Winston Salem, N.C
- Senior: Majoring in Business Administration

Activities:
- President of Phi Beta Lambda
- S.G.A. (Senator)
- Delta Mu Delta
- Gamma Beta Phi
- Phi Eta Sigma
- Emerging Leaders Institute
Sylvia Taylor

Hometown: Princeton, W.V.

- Junior: Majoring in Education

Activities:
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
- A.S.A.L.H.
- Thurgood Marshall Club
- Emerging Leaders Institute
- Greek Council
- W.V. Education Association
Kristen Williams

Hometown: Bluefield, W.V.
- Senior: Majoring in Criminal Justice/Corrections Psychology

Activities:
- Gamma Beta Phi
- Phi Eta Sigma
- Thurgood Marshall Club
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
- Emerging Leaders Institute
Edmond Smith

- **Hometown:** Bluefield, W.V.
- Pursing Bachelor of Science in the Nursing Program
- Currently a R.N. at the Bluefield Regional Medical Center on the Medical-Surgical Unit

**Activities:**
- Nursing Intern Bluefield Regional Medical Center.
- Emerging Leaders Institute
- Proud father of Karis Smith
Jevon Carpenter

Hometown: Princeton, W.V.
- Junior: Majoring in Engineering.

Activities:
- Basketball
- Gamma Beta Phi
- Emerging Leaders Institute
Candice Harris

Hometown: Bluefield, W.V.
- Senior: Majoring in Applied Science/Biology

Activities:
- Biology Club
- Society of Black Scholars
- Pre-Pharmacy Club
- National Society of Collegiate Scholars
- Gamma Beta Phi
- Emerging Leaders Institute
Mardochee Isme

Hometown: Boston, MA
- Junior: Majoring in Radiology

Activities:
- Student Association of Radiographers
- Emerging Leaders Institute
Richelle Davis

**Hometown:** Bluefield, W.V.
- Senior: Majoring in Sociology

**Activities:**
- Autism Society of America
- A.S.A.L.H
- Emerging Leaders Institute
Otis Mack

Hometown: Brooklyn, N.Y.
- Sophomore: Majoring in Communications

Activities:
- W.V. Barber & Cosmetology Association
- Licensed Cosmetologist
- Emerging Leaders Institute
Christina Smyre!

**Hometown:** Statesville, N.C.
- Former member and the 1st to Graduate in her family!
- Graduate in Business Administration

**Activities:**
- Bluefield State College Basketball Team
- Thurgood Marshall Club
- Cross Country
N.A.S.A. Presentation with Dr. Persons
Emerging Leaders giving a tour of Bluefield State
Emerging Leaders’ visited the Art Gallery and attended football game: Winston-Salem State vs. Savannah State University
Bonding Experience
Orlando 2009
Kennedy Space Center 2009
E.L.I. Advisors
The End