



Applications are generally posted on the website in December of each year.

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#### WHY THE R.A.C.E. PROGRAM?

The R.A.C.E. Program is a great way to get connected to Tennessee Tech and the community and to meet new friends! The program provides an opportunity for incoming students (mentees) to connect with their peers and upperclassmen who will serve as their mentors.

The mentors go through several trainings once selected and will aid new students with their transition (academically, socially and personally) from high school to Tennessee Tech. Mentors will meet with their mentees at least once a week or for a planned activity such as study sessions, bowling, going to eat, attending campus or community events, shopping, playing sports or going to church. This program and similar programs significantly help with student retention and success.

The R.A.C.E. program is designed to provide social and intellectual support for students in an effort to help them succeed on campus.

## WHAT DOES THE PROGRAM OFFER?

- Sneak Peek Week
- R.A.C.E. Nights
- Study Nights
- Freshman Year Experience Course
- Academic, Professional, Social Programs with mentors and campus or community partners
- Opportunity to be a mentor as an upperclassman

#### **SNEAK PEEK WEEK**

Sneak Peek Week is a five-day early arrival program designed specifically for R.A.C.E. program participants. R.A.C.E. students will have the opportunity to get to campus early, meet their mentors, faculty and staff from various departments, become familiar with campus and participate in a host of activities designed to prepare them for their first year at Tech.

#### R.A.C.E. NIGHTS

Sponsored by Multicultural Affairs, R.A.C.E. participants come together for group activities like bowling, cyber tag or roller skating, all FREE!

# FRESHMAN EXPERIENCE COURSE

Another component of this program will incorporate a one-hour first-year experience course: University 1030, Learning Strategies. As a part of this program, there will be one section of Learning Strategies open specifically to R.A.C.E. program students.

### **R.A.C.E. TUTORING NIGHTS**

Students are required to come to three tutoring nights per month to work on homework or study with their peers, or to receive help from well qualified Tennessee Tech student tutors. Tutoring nights are offered weekly on different days and times so that mentees can select which nights best fit their schedules.

