

College Knowledge

For the ninth year in a row, Educational-Opportunity Day (Ed-Op Day) was held. Juniors and seniors from Walterboro, Ruffin, and Colleton Preparatory Academy met in the gym with representatives from colleges, universities and the armed forces. These representatives answered questions, gave out brochures and encouraged students to send for applications and more information.

Traditionally, NHS juniors help organize the event. "It gave students the opportunity to talk first hand with a real person rather than just receiving mail," said Chris Brownlee, one of the helpers.

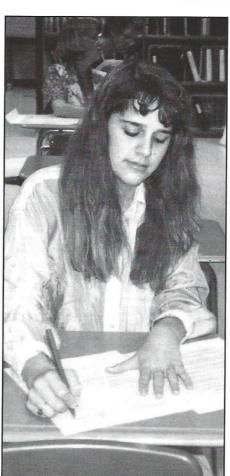
"Ed-Op Day helped me to see how many options there really are," said junior Brian Edwards. Many students were unaware that there were options other than college, such as the military or tech schools.

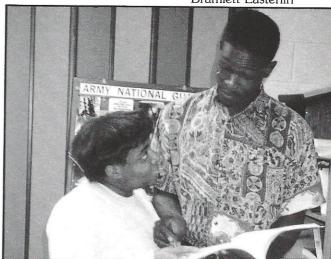
If a student already knew where they wanted to go after high school but was just not sure how to get there, Ed-Op Day proved helpful. "I received more information on the colleges I was interested in," said senior Sammy Smutz.

Many of the college representatives also offered students the chance to visit their college. "I am so excited about my friends and me being able to visit Columbia College. I feel I will learn a lot more by being there rather than just seeing pictures," said senior Tracy Bell.

During Ed-Op Day students learned that there was life after high school. No matter what a student decided to do after high school, seeing what was available was helpful.

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Latisha Grant and LeBlanc Winfield check out some college brochures in the guidance office. LeBlanc was a varsity football star.

Stephanie McCarter carefully fills out a college application. Stephanie was later accepted to Columbia College.