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RAMSEUR NEWS

2009 NC Budget Update

According to WRAL.com The House and Senate passed a continuing resolution Wednesday, July 15 to keep the state government running without a new budget.

The first continuing resolution, which expired Wednesday, limited spending to 85 percent of 2008-09 levels. The new one, which will last until July 31, caps spending at 84 percent of previous levels.

The revised plan was roundly criticized Tuesday by human services advocates, who compared the mood in the committee room to a funeral.

"This is a horrid proposal in every way, shape and form, and the funeral analogy is

really on purpose because I do believe that, with this budget, people will die," said John Tote, executive director of the Mental Health Association of North Carolina. "Let's just euthanize people that are old and sick in our state and get it over with instead of the slow death that we're going to be inflicting upon people."

The revisions included cuts to the Smart Start preschool program, high-risk group homes and child care subsidies, freezing enrollment in a medical insurance program for needy children and eliminating a dental health program.

"It really does put children's lives at risk," said Karen

McLeod, president of the North Carolina Children and Family Services Association.

Lawmakers expressed concern at how cuts were being made. "We change numbers, (and) things shift around. There's no way we can see what we did last time versus this time," said Rep. Jeff Barnhart, R-Cabarrus. "Then you study to get comparisons, (and) the next time we get a different sheet with different numbers. I'm just frustrated with the way we do this."

The budget proposal is expected to go to a House committee vote on Thursday.

Until then, we continue to wait...



SCHOOL BEGINS:
August 25

Brush up on your study skills:

- ☺ **Shhhhh**-find a quiet place to study
- ☺ **Routine**-a set schedule for studying helps you to focus
- ☺ **Read aloud**-hearing yourself helps retain information
- ☺ **Ask**-don't be afraid to ask questions to gain understanding. It shows a willingness to learn!

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Ramseur Homes is now Accredited

Through hard work and determination, Ramseur Homes has achieved accreditation by the Council on Quality and Leadership. This honor proves that the staff here at Ramseur Homes is both qualified and

certified to work with their clients.

The amount of time and effort that goes into becoming an accredited organization shows how dedicated Ramseur Homes is to their clients and their

families. By earning this accreditation, those considering Ramseur homes as well as those who are already part of the family, can rest assured that their experience will be both professional and personal.



August Training

CPR

First Aid

NCI

Please contact HR to register:

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General Back to School Supply List

High School

- 3-ring binders
- Loose-leaf notebook paper
- Dividers
- Marbled composition notebooks
- Highlighters
- #2 pencils
- Ink pens
- Colored pencils
- Markers
- 2 pocket/3 prong folders
- Index cards
- Graphing calculator
- Graph paper
- Protractor
- 3x3 inch post-it notes

Middle School

- 3-ring binders
- Loose-leaf notebook paper
- Glue sticks
- Lined notebooks
- Highlighter pens
- #2 pencils
- Ink pens
- Erasers
- Washable felt markers
- Pencil case
- Scissors
- Geometry set
- Scientific calculator
- Ruler
- Colored Pencils

Elementary School

- Spiral bound notebooks
- Pocket folders
- Colored pencils
- Loose-leaf notebook paper
- Pencil case
- Broad-tip markers
- Pink eraser
- Glue sticks
- #2 pencils
- Ink pens
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Red pen
- Box of Tissues
- Highlighters

Character Counts

A person of character...

- Is a good person, someone to look up to and admire.
- Knows the difference between right and wrong and always tries to do what is right.
- Sets a good example for everyone.
- Makes the world a better place.
- Lives according to the "Six Pillars of Character":

Trustworthiness
Respect
Responsibility
Fairness
Caring
Citizenship

"Watch your thoughts, for they become words. Watch your words, for they become actions. Watch your actions, for they become habits. Watch your habits, for they become character. Watch your character, for it becomes your destiny."—Frank Outlaw

- Trustworthiness:
 - Integrity
 - Honesty
 - Reliability
 - Loyalty
- Respect:
 - Golden Rule
 - Tolerance and Acceptance
 - Nonviolence
 - Courtesy
- Responsibility
 - Duty
 - Accountability
 - Pursue Excellence
 - Self-Control
- Fairness
 - Justice
 - Oppeness
- Caring
 - Concern for Others
 - Charity
- Citizenship
 - Do your share
 - Respect authority and the law



JUST A THOUGHT

"Character is the firm foundation stone upon which one must build to win respect.

Just as no worthy building can be erected on a weak foundation, so no lasting reputation worthy of respect can be built on a weak character."

—R.C. Samsel



Happy Birthday!!!

Adina Durham 8-13
Lillie Sullivan 8-16
Vallarie Douglas 8-21
Teshania Harris 8-30

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We are a residential Level III treatment facility, contracted in Wake and Durham Counties, for children and adolescents who are at risk, emotionally disturbed, or who have a mental illness. Our purpose is to make sure each child has a structured living environment. We also take great pride in providing the utmost care for our children. We believe in utilizing family and community support to foster individual development and growth.



Referrals: If you are aware of anyone that can benefit from Ramseur Homes Services please contact the corporate office at:
(919)465-9335
to obtain information about
completing the referral process.

DONATIONS

All donations will be accepted.
We need, but are not limited to any of the following items:

1. Teenage Clothes
2. Shoes
3. Cleaning Supplies
4. Non-Perishable Food
5. Monetary Donations

PLEASE SEND ALL DONATIONS TO:

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