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ROCK HILL, S.C. - Invited eighth graders from Chester, Cherokee, Fairfield, Lancaster and Union counties will spend Oct. 29 at Winthrop in a math and science event called "Forensic Frenzy."

Faculty members from the math, biology, and chemistry, physics and geology departments will treat the 30 students to forensic-focused activities in math and science laboratories. Each student will attend a 90-minute session on math and another on science. During these activities, students will detect trace amounts of blood; analyze DNA; identify an unknown over-the-counter drug; detect metals in environmental samples; and use differential equations to mathematically model scientific phenomena.

The middle school teachers who chaperone the students to campus also will participate in professional development with math, physics, biology and chemistry faculty members.

During the 9 a.m.-3 p.m. event, students will be given campus tours, lunch and admission presentations on how to start planning for college. There will be optional tours of the science faculty research labs from 3-4 p.m.

Organizers hope that working with faculty in the math and science departments on a college campus will encourage students to select math or science as a career interest as they prepare to attend high school. "Forensic Frenzy" is sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences, the Richard W. Riley College of Education and NetSCOPE.

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