

MEDICAL OPPORTUNITIES & OUTREACH IN RURAL EDUCATION

MAY 24 to JUNE 26, 2026

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The program, established in 2000, is a five-week summer initiative designed to expose rural high school seniors to careers in medicine, dentistry, and other health professions. Its primary goal is to increase the number of students from rural Alabama who qualify for admission to medical school through the Rural Medical Scholars Program.

OBJECTIVES

- Expose seniors in high school to the health care field particularly medicine
- Increase the student's awareness for the need for primary care physicians in rural Alabama
- Increase the number from rural Alabama who qualify for admissions to medical school through the Rural Medical Scholars Program

ELIGIBILITY

- Currently in the 12th grade (2025-26 academic year)
- Have a "B" average.
- ACT 21 or 1080 SAT (recommended not required)
- Resident of rural Alabama for more than 8 years

ACTIVITIES

- Participate in field trips to small community and urban hospitals
- Attend seminars on health related professions

COLLEGE CREDIT/COURSE WORK

- Earn up to four hours of college credit
- Enroll in a general Chemistry or Biology course

APPLICATION

- Visit cchs.ua.edu/rural-programs/high-school

Application must be submitted electronically by March 15, 2026

Decisions on applicants will be made by April 15, 2026



COST

The program pays for tuition, housing, books, and provides a meal allowance of \$500.