Fifteen students have been chosen for Randolph Community College's Fountain-Luria Student Leadership Academy based on a competitive process that considered leadership experience, leadership potential, and a letter of reference from a faculty member. The group includes eight traditional RCC students and seven Randolph Early College High School students.

The participants completed their first session on Saturday, September 19, which included team-building exercises led by Jeremy Jackson, associate director of camp operations at Camp Caraway, and his wife, Michelle; and a presentation by RCC President Robert S. Shackleford on the topic “Portraits of Leadership.” A second session scheduled for October 22 will include a presentation on group dynamics by Dr. Joanne Buck, department chair for English and Humanities at Guilford Technical Community College; and a session on Servant Leadership by Dr. J.W. Kelley, RCC vice president for student services.

In upcoming sessions, the students will learn about personality types and leadership styles; communication across generations; situational leadership; 360 degree leadership; and leadership and ethical dilemmas. Students will also participate in a student leadership project. A graduation ceremony will be held in March, at which the students will present the outcome of their projects.

This is the ninth year for RCC’s Student Leadership Academy, which is named after local leaders Dr. Stuart Fountain and Dr. Alan Luria, who have supported the project since its inception in 2008.

The student members of the 2015-2016 Fountain-Luria Student Leadership Academy, their majors, and hometowns are as follows:

**David Arellano, RECHS junior, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Asheboro**

Lily Burgess, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Climax

Christopher Clark, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Asheboro

**Nicholas Everage, RECHS senior, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Staley**

Carlos Mancilla-Garcia, Criminal Justice Technology, Asheboro

**Jahmina Ollison, RECHS junior, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Asheboro**

Jake Parrish, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Asheboro

**Seth Parrish, RECHS senior, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Asheboro**

Sean Ponder, RECHS senior, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Franklinville

Michael Ratliff, Computer Information Technology/Networking Technology, Asheboro

Rubi Robles, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Asheboro

Cinthia Salinas-Pavon, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Asheboro

**Allison Storm, RECHS junior, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Sophia**

Polly Van Ausdall, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Archdale

**Teresa Zheng, RECHS junior, Associate in Arts (College Transfer), Randleman**