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TRiO Newsletter

Wallace Community College

Sparks Students and Staff Celebrate Read Across

Special points of interest:

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(l-r) Tia Yarbrough (floor), Alundra Thornton, Virmeya Parsons, Kathryn Cox, Flora Vail-Lopez, Justin Austin, Brianna Kirkland, (standing) Jane French

Wallace Community College Sparks Campus staff and students participated in Read Across America events at local Eufaula schools. While March 2 is the celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday, National Read Across America Day is meant to serve as a motivational and awareness day to encourage children to celebrate reading. National Read Across America Day has been held each year since 1998.

Participating in this years' event at the schools were SGA, TRiO SSS, and Child Development students along with staff: Jane French, Marcia Hudson, Jennifer Grant, Mary Pearl Morris, Mickey Baker, Brittany Jones, and Terri Ricks.

Both the readers and the listeners had a terrific time!

Marcia Hudson with second graders at Eufaula Primary School.



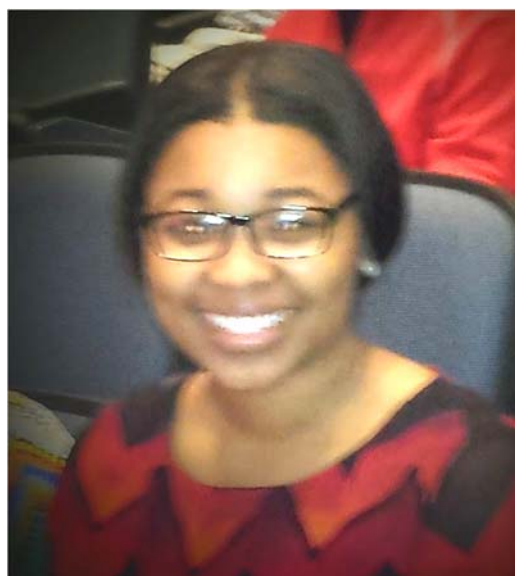
Upward Bound Participates in Science Triathlon



Brittany Summers and Chelsea Craddock



Katelynn Johnson and Jesseca Horsley



Rosa Ivery

The Science Triathlon is a free event sponsored by Wallace Community College to allow local schools to showcase their students' talents in science with hands on activities. High school students in grades 9-12 from across the Wiregrass, including some of our Upward Bound students, converged on the Wallace Campus Friday, February 19, 2016 to use their forensic skills to solve the Mystery of Reeder Island.

In the physics events the students studied bullet trajectory and water displacement using crime scene data and trigonometry to determine the height of the shooter.

Students tested for gunshot residue and identified the source of ink in a note found at the crime scene in the chemistry events.

Using karyotyping in the biology events, they were able to determine the gender of the source of blood evidence found at the crime scene. They also prepared a slide of a hair sample and matched it to reference samples to determine the species of origin.

What is the One Consistent Quality of Super Achievers?

—the resolve to improve

“If you are not improving, you are falling behind.”

—Darren Hardy



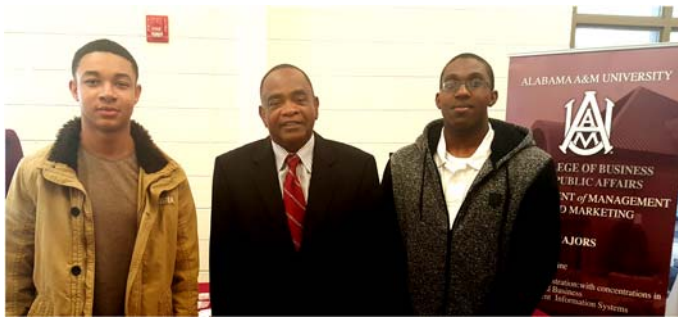
TRiO Student Support Services Participants Tour Huntsville Campuses



Left: Students admire the statue of founder, William Harper Council.



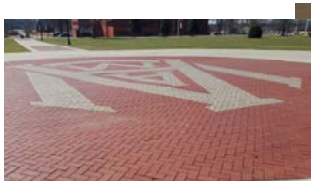
Right: Mr. Erskine McKinnon (recruiter) and Robert Smith II.



Torrance Pullom, Mr. McKinnon, and Robert Smith II



Flora Vail-Lopez, Justin Austin, Avery Merrill, Robert Smith, Keyana Banks, Shetavia McCray, Shaquilla Sewell, Deanna Autin, and Amber Brewer.



AAMU Quad



Clockwise: Avery, Deanna, and Shetavia with Butch



The TRiO SSS students took on the city of Huntsville February 17-18. The students started off their city wide voyage at the University of Alabama Huntsville. They had a very informative campus tour of UAH where they were able to get some important transfer tips for becoming a UAH Charger.

The next morning the students attended the Transfer Day festivities at Alabama A&M University. After an informative session about AAMU from the admissions process to financial aid and scholarship opportunities, the students were broken into groups and taken on a tour of the campus. Following the tour and lunch the students proceeded to the Wellness Center for the College Fair to learn more about each academic college that AAMU has and the majors that fall under them. The AAMU Director of Admissions, Mrs. King, walked the students out to the van where she personally thanked them for attending and wished them safe travels.

The students enjoyed both universities and are very interested in potentially transferring to Huntsville, AL upon completion here at Wallace Community College.

Upon arriving home from the AAMU Transfer Day, three of our SSS Students, Mr. Robert Smith II, Ms. Flora Vail-Lopez, and Mr. Timotheus Peoples, learned they were recipients of AAMU Transfer Merit Scholarships that will cover the cost of their tuition to complete their B.S. degrees.

—Jertavia Lyman



TRiO on the Wallace Community College Sparks and Dothan Campuses is made up of three programs: Student Support Services, Upward Bound and Talent Search. They are federally

funded programs by the U. S. Department of Education that provide support and opportunity for eligible students—middle school through college. To reach any person on this list, call 983-3521 or 687-3543 and then the extension below:

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*“The more that you read,
the more things you’ll know.
The more that you learn,
the more places you’ll go.”
—Dr. Seuss*

Scholarship and Financial Aid Information

The MassMutual Scholars Program is a national scholarship program for high-achieving college students. In 2016 MassMutual looks forward to assisting at least 30 undergraduate students with scholarships worth up to \$5,000. **Applications are open until March 31, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. EST**

Alfa Foundation has established a scholarship program to assist members of the Alabama Farmers Federation who plan to continue their education in college or vocational school programs in the state of Alabama. Scholarships are offered each year for full-time study at an accredited institution of the student’s choice. **The completed application along with all required documents must be submitted by April 1, 2016 by 11:59 p.m.**

Alabama Poultry Foundation Allied Industry Scholarship. The Alabama Poultry Foundation Allied Industry Scholarship has been established for the express purpose of providing scholarships for students enrolled in the Agricultural Production Program or subsequent Poultry Science Program at Wallace Community College Dothan and who intend to transfer to Auburn University and major in Poultry Science. The total amount awarded each year will be dependent upon availability of funds. **The deadline for application is April 1, 2016**

2016 A Place for Mom Annual Senior Care Scholarship. Each year, A Place for Mom offers five \$1000 scholarships to students who are interested in gerontology and aging. **The deadline to apply is April 15, 2016.**

Wallace Community College Foundation-Dothan Summer 2016 Scholarships. Several scholarships for Wallace Campus students are available through the WCC Foundation. **Deadline to apply is Tuesday, April 26, 2016 by 4:30 p.m.**

For more information and applications, go to:
www.wallace.edu
Financial Aid
Current Scholarship Opportunities