

## TRiO Newsletter

October 2017

#### Wallace Community College

TRiO Participants Celebrate
Bullock County High School Homecoming

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#### **Halloween in TRiO Student Support Services**



TRiO Student Support
Services participants and
staff enjoyed dressing up as
a variety of characters for
Halloween. Jertavia Lyman
came as Alvin and Lauren
Herndon dressed as Simon,
the Chipmunks. Taquaris
Williams made a great
Scarecrow!



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### TRiO Student Support Services Participants Tour Troy University



On Friday, October 6,TRiO Student Support Services participants toured Troy University, Troy. The university provided a folder with important information on scholarships, transferring, and career opportunities. Participants especially enjoyed the student ambassador tour guide whose enthusiasm and knowledge helped make their decision to transfer to Troy easier. Added to the tour was Breanna McCray, former TRiO SSS student, who met us on campus to discuss her experiences at Troy University.





The students then had lunch with Breanna McCray and Brittany Paige, mentors and former SSS participants, as they discussed the transfer process. A special guest was Jonathan Williams, former SSS participant and graduate student at Troy University. The students thoroughly enjoyed every aspect of the Troy University campus tour. Go Trojans!

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## **Auburn University Campus Tour for TRiO SSS Participants**

On Friday October 13, TRiO Student Support Services participants visited Auburn University for a campus tour. The students were sent on a scavenger hunt. They were given a detailed, informative campus map that included major buildings on campus. The following are a few buildings they visited:

**STUDENT CENTER –** A gathering place for students where many of the 400 student organizations are housed.

**FOY & CATER –** A food court, Freshman Year Experience, Study Abroad, and International Education all are housed in Foy. Opposite Foy Hall is Katharine Cooper Cater Hall. The university's Honors College and Academic Support Services operate from Cater Hall.

**CORNER OF TIGER CONCOURSE & THACH CONCOURSE** – Home of the College of Liberal Arts.

**THE HILL** - The Hill Residence Halls house men and women in 12 residence halls.

**THE QUAD CENTER –** This is the center of the Upper Quad Residence Halls. Auburn has five residential neighborhoods.

**LOWDER AND SHELBY TECHNOLOGY CENTER** - The Lowder Business Building is home to the Raymond J. Harbert College of Business.

**HALEY CENTER –** Haley Center is home to the College of Education.

**MARY MARTIN HALL** - Mary Martin Hall was Auburn University's first library. It now houses Student Financial Services, Career Center, and Admissions Processing.

**SAMFORD HALL** – Named after former Alabama Governor William J. Samford, The Samford clock tower chimes every 15 minutes, and at noon, plays the fight song for all to hear.

**RALPH BROWN DRAUGHON LIBRARY –** Ralph Brown Draughon Library is a 200,000 square-foot building with more than 3 million volumes.



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# Upward Bound Seniors are Winners In Wendy's High School Heisman

(October 17, 2017) – There are some students who set the bar. They work harder, show more passion, and lead by example—in the classroom, on the field, and within the community. Today, Wendy's High School Heisman recognizes Jamaya Grooms from Bullock County High and Bobby Mahone from Eufaula High for their dedication to never cutting corners by naming them School Winners.

"These students are known by their teachers, peers, and Upward Bound staff for their commitment to excellence. We are excited and honored that a program like Wendy's High School Heisman is also recognizing their hard work," said Brittany Jones, UB Counselor.

Since 1994, Wendy's and the Heisman Trophy Trust have been running the same play to perfection: honoring more than 600,000 of the nation's most esteemed students. This year Wendy's will celebrate the accomplishments of thousands of the best high school seniors, awarding winners in five phases.

#### Sparks TRiO Students Attend SGA Youth Leadership Summit





Lourdes Thomas (left above) and Virmeya Parson (right above) from the Sparks Campus attended the Student Government Association's Youth Leadership Summit on "servant leadership" on the Wallace Community College Dothan Campus on October 31, 2017. The participants were inspired by presentations from Mark Anderson, owner of Eagle Eye Outfitters, and John Riley, motivational speaker and humorist. Both shared stories from their lives that influenced their successes in life. Chanukah Anderson, Coordinator of Testing and Assessment at Troy University, encouraged the students to overcome the "road blocks" they encounter in life and to maintain a positive attitude at all times. All three speakers suggested the same approach to living life well and to the fullest extent each day.

During the summit, the students were divided into twenty-two teams and given limited materials with the goal of creating a device that would protect an egg when it was dropped from a height of six feet. The aim was to have strangers use their creative and communication skills to work as a team. Only one team's egg out of the twenty-two survived the plunge. However, the activity was a great challenge and was enjoyed by all.



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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"You don't get what you wish for.
You get what you work for."

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#### Scholarship and Financial Aid Information

E. L. Gibson Foundation Scholarships. The E.L. Gibson Foundation provides scholarships to assist persons seeking a degree in the health care field. These persons must be permanent residents of Coffee County or the immediate surrounding areas of Geneva, Dale, or Covington County as far west as Opp. Deadline to apply is and November 30.

2017 Karin Riley Porter Good Works Scholarship. All applicants must submit a full application including a personal statement, cover sheet, transcript(s), letter of intent, and letter of recommendation by email to <a href="mailto:scholarships@virginia-criminallawyer.com">scholarships@virginia-criminallawyer.com</a>. Deadline to apply is November 30, 2017.

2017 Kerri Castellini Women's Leadership Scholarship. All applicants must submit a full application including personal essay, resume that lists academic, professional, and volunteer experience, cover sheet, and recommendation letter by email to <a href="mailto:scholarships@trustandestatelawyers.com">scholarships@trustandestatelawyers.com</a>. Deadline to apply is November 30, 2017.

2017 InformedMag Security Scholarship (External). InformedMag is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to students based on their ability to effectively communicate their experience with a product. The "InformedMag Security Scholarship" is offered on an annual basis and is awarded on January 15th each year. The application deadline is December 31, 2017.

Glen Lerner Gives Back Community Scholarship. This scholarship will be awarded to the student whose personal essay best describes their commitment to community service and how their experience has played and will play a role in their academic career. Deadline to submit completed application is no later than January 31, 2018.

Preszler Injury Lawyers –Triumphing Over Adversity Scholarship. This scholarship will be awarded to the student who demonstrably embodies the determination, ability and steadfast commitment not only to their own personal success, but also to promoting the greater good for those in need. Deadline to submit completed application is no later than January 31, 2018.

For more information and copies of application packets, go to: www.wallace.edu/scholarships.