

# TRiO Newsletter

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### Wallace Community College

TRiO Talent Search Seniors Attend Tuskegee University Open House

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Abbeville High, Barbour County High, and Eufaula High School seniors attended Tuskegee University's Open House on Saturday, September 16. During their time at Tuskegee, the students had the opportunity to tour the university's beautiful campus. The students learned about the university's financial aid services, academic programs, and how the Tigers show their school spirit. The students also experienced the lifestyle of an everyday college student. To top the day off, the students were able to enjoy an afternoon of excitement featuring several high school marching bands as Tuskegee defeated Clark-Atlanta.





The students enjoyed a tasty meal on the front lawn of the Ford Motor Company Library. While enjoying the scenery, they socialized with students from other schools that attended the event. Page 2 TRiO Newsletter

### PTK Presents Baby Gifts to the Clearing House of Eufaula



Sparks Campus TRiO SSS participant and Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Society President, 'Taiya Carr, presented baby gifts to the director of the Clearing House in Eufaula. The baby drive was sponsored by the Sparks Campus PTK, an organization whose focus is community service projects, leadership development, and much more. To qualify for PTK, you must be working toward an AA, AS, or AAS degree and have completed 12 hours (excluding developmental coursework) with a minimum 3.5 GPA.



## Completion Quest for TRiO 2016 First-Year College Experience Students

The 2016 First-Year College Experience group started their freshmen year of college differently than past FYCE groups because they did not have a retreat before classes began in Fall 2016. They worked very hard and diligently throughout their first year of college and earned an End of the Year Completion Quest to Knoxville, Tennessee. The adventure began at Laser Quest for a night filled with laughs and laser tag! The group formed alliances and new friendships to take down opponents and score the most points. Day two's quest started with breakfast at the Trio Café (why not eat at the restaurant with your name on it). Then the group headed to a campus tour at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. It rained during the tour, which resulted in the group taking a driving tour that still provided much information on the opportunities offered by the university.



After a quick break at the hotel, the group ventured off to the Sunsphere at the World's Fair Park which was located right across the street from the hotel. After making it to the very top and taking in the beautiful views of Knoxville, the group set off to Breakout Games.



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### **FYCE End of Year Completion Quest**



At Breakout Games the group chose the Museum Heist and Operation Casino. Even though the students failed to beat the challenges, a great time was had by all.

On the final day of our quest we stopped in Chattanooga, Tennessee to visit Ruby Falls, which was absolutely breathtaking. At 1,120 feet underground, the group walked through the carved caves admiring each wall as they approached the beautiful falls. The students truly enjoyed their End of the Year Completion Quest and even got new ideas for a transferring university in the process! Another successful TRiO trip!



### **#TRiOWorks**









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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### 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.