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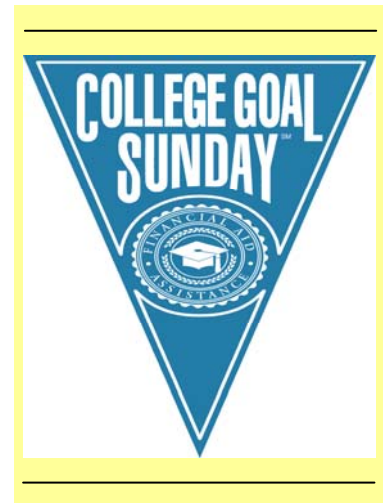
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College Goal Tennessee 2012

It's not just for Sunday anymore! TSAC's goal is to broaden the opportunities for sites to offer this event on dates and times that are best for students in their communities. In doing so, we have also decided to change the name *Tennessee College Goal Sunday* to "College Goal Tennessee" for the 2012 events. Some sites have already decided on Sunday, January 31 and February 12, 2012, but others have expressed interest in hosting the event on days other than Sunday. Therefore, there will be other events during the week.

If you have been thinking about hosting a College Goal Tennessee event and or have questions, please contact Karen Myers at karen.myers@tn.gov

or 615.253.7473. We must finalize the sites by September 30th in order to develop the marketing materials.



TSAC New Aid Officers Workshop

Register now to reserve your spot for the training workshop on September 23, 2011. The sessions for the day include Student Eligibility, Verification Process, Loan Certification Basics, Grant and Scholarship Updates including basic e*GRandS training and Lottery Scholarship Review.

Please R.S.V.P. to Karen Myers, your plans for you or your staff to attend the workshop. A light breakfast will be served from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and the workshop sessions will begin at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 3:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided. The deadline for reserving your space is September 19, 2011. Karen can be contacted by calling 866.291.2675 ext.150 or at her direct line 615.253.7473. Her e-mail address is karen.myers@tn.gov.



Constitution Day Reminder

TSAC's Compliance and Legal Affairs Division is taking this opportunity to remind all higher education institutions that receive federal funds that they must offer educational programs about the Constitution on September 17, 2011. However, it should be noted that this year since September 17th is on a Saturday, Constitution Day Activities could be held during the preceding or following week.

The federal regulations state that institutions that receive federal funds for a fiscal year must hold Constitution Day Activities commemorating the September 17, 1787 signing of the Constitution. Many organizations have developed resources to help educational institutions comply with the Constitution Day legislation. Listed below are links to some of their websites that you might find helpful:

- The Constitution Center - www.constitutioncenter.org
- The Bill of Rights Institute - www.billofrightsinstitute.org
- The Library of Congress - www.loc.gov
- The Abote Foundation - www.scholastic.com/americanjustice



TSAC Financial Aid Brochures Available

The TSAC Outreach Specialists have been on the road all summer visiting with Chambers of Commerce, Public Libraries, and Admission's and Financial Aid offices at colleges across the state. Now that high schools are open once again, we re-direct our focus for the Fall semester to college fairs and financial aid nights for high school juniors and seniors.

We are currently distributing the newly updated TSAC Financial Aid Information brochure. If you have not done so already, let us know how many you will want, by contacting your Outreach Specialist.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jason Seay, Director of Outreach at jason.seay@tn.gov or at 615.253.7459.



2011 TSAC Road Show

During the month of July, TSAC staff traveled across the state offering training to our financial aid partners. The workshops covered updates regarding grant, loan, and scholarship programs which included new changes for the HOPE Scholarship and Dual Enrollment Grant programs. There were 307 participants to preregister for these events with over 260 in attendance.

TSAC would like to thank the following institutions who graciously agreed to host the workshops: Tusculum College, Tennessee Technology Center at Knoxville, Chattanooga State Community College, Christian Brothers University, Union University, and Tennessee Technology Center at Nashville. TSAC is very appreciative of their support.

We always welcome your suggestions regarding topics to cover for our next workshop series. Please contact Darolyn Porter at darolyn.porter@tn.gov or by phone at 615.253.7472 to share your comments.