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Talent Search

Federally-funded TRIO comprises various programs, which, since 1965, have promoted opportunity in education.

TRIO/ETS, launched at CCC&TI in 2002, currently serves 600 middle-school and high-school students. Its mission is to get academically talented Caldwell County students enrolled in college.

TRIO/SSS has served 1000 participants at CCC&TI since its inception here in 1993. Its mission is to provide opportunities for academic development, assist students with basic college requirements, and serve to motivate students towards the successful completion of their post-secondary education.

Visit www.cccti.edu for more information on TRIO at CCC&TI.

For further information on TRIO programs, please visit www.ed.gov.

Excursions West- WCU

By: **Tiffany Greene**

12th grade HHS

My name is Tiffany Greene, and I am a senior at Hibriten High School. Over the summer I went on the trip to Western Carolina University and also visited the Cherokee Reservation. I had a great time and many memorable experiences. While at WCU, TRIO/ETS took a tour of the campus and also dined in the cafeteria. The tour was very helpful and gave us a feel for the size of the campus and the distance that one may walk on an average day at WCU. We also had the opportunity to stay in dorms. It wasn't as bad as I had anticipated. I had a great roommate so it made the experience a little easier.

We also went to the Cherokee Reservation and watched the outdoor drama "Unto These Hills." I learned how the Cherokee lived off the land and how they made their houses out of clay. My favorite part of this experience was during the ceremony part of the tour. This showed us how they met and what the meetings were like. They had different sections for people to sit in, and this represented the different families within the

tribe. I enjoyed seeing the different types of drums that the Native Americans used during a ceremony.

The Native American children go to their own school and learn about their background. They can choose to go to the school on the reservation or go to public school. They love to learn the ways of life of their ancestors and also modern ways of living too.

On the last day of the trip, we went to Fontana Dam and walked a little bit of the Appalachian Trail. It was amazing to see how massive the dam was. In the informational building at the dam, we got to view pictures of how the men constructed the dam and how long it took them to complete it. We walked across the dam and that's when I realized the size of the dam, and how big it really is.

Thank you all for the wonderful experience of college and the opportunity to learn about a different culture. I will forever carry those memories with me. Thank you again for all that you do to help me better myself through education and learning.



Western Carolina University participants

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TRIO/ETS Service Day!

By: **Carissa Leonard**

7th grade GFMS

Service Day was a great experience for everyone. It gave kids a chance to reach out and help. Some people aren't able to give money or donate food, but with service day, their time can help.

At Service Day, I helped at the Shelter Home. It made me feel good to know that I was helping. I feel all TRIO/ETS students should participate in service day. I learned how much respect you feel for yourself when you know you're helping. It was a great experience.



TRIO/ETS participants for Service Day

TRIO/ETS + PBLRC Team Up!

TRIO/ETS and the Patrick Beaver Learning Resource Center (PBLRC) teamed up to support TRIO/ETS students heading off to college. TRIO/ETS graduates and rising seniors gathered on July 26 for the "Learning with Style" seminar, through which students explored their own learning styles and gained tips for success in college. Jennifer Griffin, PBLRC executive director, welcomed TRIO/ETS students. Dacia Jones, trained by PRLBC in the Schools Attuned program, led the day-long workshop for TRIO/ETS.

One participant noted, "I came in the workshop thinking it was going to be the same as any other. I think it would be a wonderful idea for others to go through this workshop. I enjoyed it."

TRIO/ETS gratefully acknowledges financial support of the Catawba Valley Community Foundation, which made possible the PBLRC-TRIO/ETS joint program. For further information on the Patrick Beaver Learning Resource Center, please visit www.pblrc.org



Dacia Jones and TRIO/ETS graduates during the "Learning with Style" Seminar

TRIO/ETS Summer Trips 2006

The summer for TRIO/ETS started at Warren Wilson with a *TRIO/ETS mini-college*, funded by the Beaver Family Foundation, June 13-14, with 12 rising 10th and 11th graders.



TRIO/ETS students participating in the Team Building activity at Warren Wilson

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The fun continued with another *TRIO/ETS mini-college*, funded by the Beaver Family Foundation, to Lees McRae on June 20-22 with 30 rising 7th graders.



2006 TRIO/ETS Lees McRae participants

On June 30th TRIO/ETS took a group of 38 students to UNC Asheville for a tour of the campus and then continued on to the WNC Nature Center.



TRIO students at the WNC Nature Center

At Johnson and Wales on July 13, we were given a campus tour and a culinary demonstration. We then traveled to UNC Charlotte for another campus tour. It was a long day for the 29 that attended, but everyone enjoyed the day.



TRIO/ETS student helping out at Johnson and Wales

On July 19-20 we had nine rising 12th graders attend Excursions West to Western Carolina University.



Students outside the H.E. Robinson Administration building

On July 25, 27 students visited the University of North Carolina at Greensboro for a tour and lunch on campus. The group then traveled to North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (NC A&T) for a campus tour. Before heading home, students stopped at the Natural Science Center to see the Planetarium.

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Students at UNCG

We ended our summer with a trip to Appalachian State University. The 21 students that attended were given a tour of the campus and an information session. We left the campus and headed to Linville Caverns to experience the natural wonder of the caverns and then enjoyed the Blue Ridge Parkway for the ride home.



TRIO/ETS students outside Linville Caverns

Tutoring Can Help!

By: Chassity Hopkins

7th grade GFMS

When I started out last year in school, I was not doing well. I started going to tutoring on Monday nights and my grades started to improve. At the end of the year, I had straight A's.

Please note the student articles about Excursions West and TRIO Service Day on pages 1 and 2, as well as the student article about tutoring on page 4.

TRIO Tutoring for Fall 2006

Tutoring for TRIO/ETS students has begun. The day and time for tutoring has changed to Thursdays from 5:00-8:00 PM in the TRIO Center, located in B-Annex. Tutoring will be in Math, Science, English, Social Studies, and Spanish when available. For more details, call the TRIO/ETS office at 726-2727. Please remember that if there is no school on a Thursday, there will be no tutoring!

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New TRIO Center!!!!



Tasha Pearson and Molly Austin TRIO/ETS past and present in the new TRIO Center.