

TRIO TRIBUNE

For and By TRIO/SSS Students

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Student Support Services
Federally-funded TRIO comprises various programs, which, since 1965, have promoted opportunity in education. TRIO/SSS has served over 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.

TRIO/ ETS launched at CCC&TI in 2002, currently serves 625 middle-school and high-school students. Its mission is to get academically talented Caldwell County students enrolled in college.

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TRIO/SSS Awards Luncheon and the TRIO Alumni Reunion

Over 150 TRIO students, TRIO alumni, CCC&TI faculty and staff attended the 15th annual TRIO/SSS Awards Luncheon and 4th annual TRIO Alumni Reunion at the J.E. Broyhill Civic Center on May 2, 2008. Community guests from the North Carolina Community College System Office in Raleigh and from Caldwell and Watauga counties also attended. The event recognized TRIO/SSS students graduating and/or transferring to four-year institutions. These TRIO students received white cords, presented by Edgar Foster, TRIO alumnus, to wear during graduation ceremonies on May 9, 2008. Many TRIO students were recognized for excelling academically, personally, and for their great participation in the TRIO/SSS program. Alda Nelly Joseph, Revonda Miller, and Christopher Williams received the TRIO/SSS Alumni Scholarship. *La Catrina*, currently the Quartet-in-Residence for the Western Piedmont Symphony, played for the guests.



A Thousand Thanks to Becky Boone!

TRIO/SSS counselor Becky Boone was recognized at the TRIO/SSS Awards Luncheon and TRIO Alumni Reunion for 15 years of caring and kind service to TRIO/SSS. Becky has been with the program since its inception on September 1, 1993.



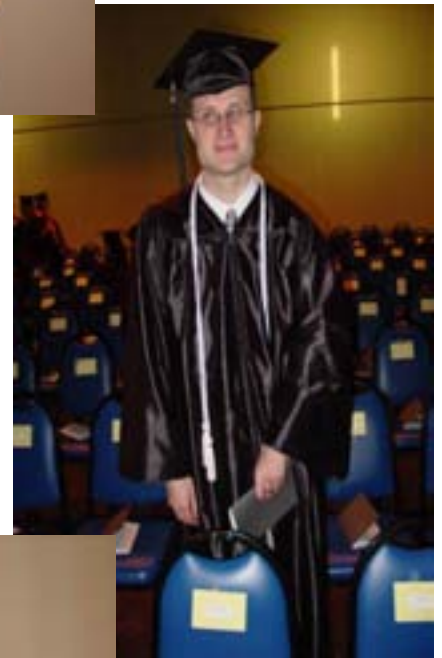
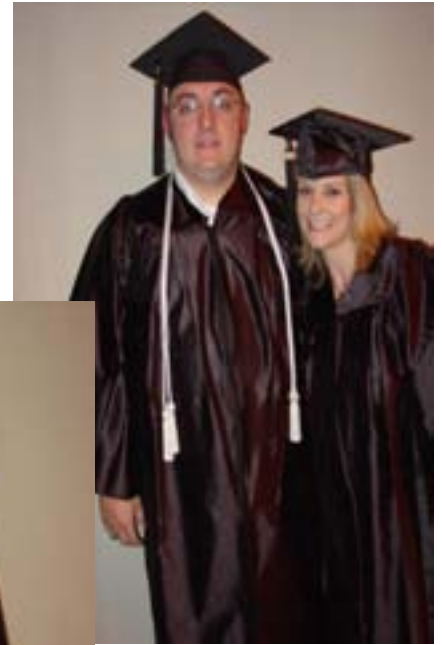
TRIO's First PhD!

At the TRIO/SSS Awards Luncheon and TRIO Alumni Reunion, TRIO alumnus Edgar Foster presented white TRIO graduation cords to graduating and transferring TRIO/SSS students. Dr. Foster is the first TRIO/SSS participant to have earned the PhD (Theology and Religious Studies, University of Glasgow). Dr. Foster accepted the white TRIO graduation cord from Alice Lentz, TRIO Director, as a symbol of his achievement. He later participated in the June 2008 commencement exercises at the University of Glasgow in Scotland. Dr. Foster served as chair of the TRIO Alumni Group in its 2004-05 inaugural year.



TRIO/SSS Students, Now Graduates!

On May 9, 2008, CCC&TI held graduation ceremonies at the J.E Broyhill Center. There were two curriculum ceremonies. The College Transfer and Business graduation was held at 5:00pm. The Health Sciences, Industrial and Public Service graduation was held at 8:00 pm. From the Watauga and Caldwell campuses, there were 37 TRIO/SSS students that graduated. Here are pictures of some of the TRIO graduates, who wore the white TRIO graduation cords.



Group Activities and Updates

What are those TRIO/SSS students doing now?!

Helping, working, living, giving....

Independent Women:

This group comprises women who gather to discuss issues of interest and importance to them and to support one another.

TRIO Large Event Planning Team:

This group is responsible for the coordination and organization of each TRIO deli, TRIO/SSS Awards Ceremony, and TRIO/ETS Open House and other large TRIO events.

The group leaders are Robin Scott and Selina Payne.

TRIO Multi-Cultural Group :

This group comprises TRIO/SSS students with strong interests in increasing their awareness of diversity and global issues. Formally launched in May 2006, the TRIO MCG group works with other interested student groups on campus to raise awareness of the issues that link all people.

Lisa Gonzales and Nelly Joseph are the group leaders.

TRIO Service Corps:

These team members organize and assist in the deployment of TRIO/SSS student resources across campus.

The group leader is Olivia Presnell.

TRIO Technology Group:

This group comprises current TRIO/SSS students who provide technological support to other TRIO/SSS groups and TRIO/SSS staff, maintains BFA laptops, and assist in maintenance of the TRIO website on the CCC&TI homepage.

TRIO/SSS Alumni Group:

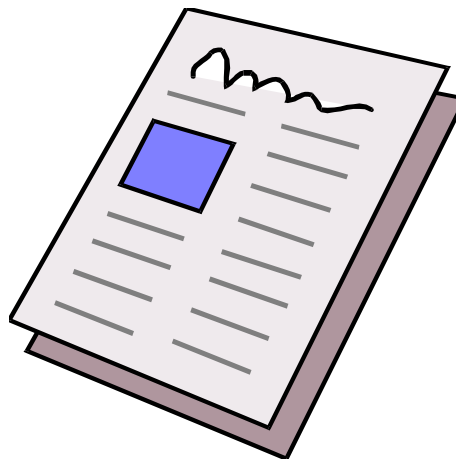
Its mission is to capture the energy and talent of TRIO students--past, current, and future. In 2007-08, the TRIO Alumni Group has up-dated its strategic plan and announced the TRIO Ariane Angley Emergency Fund. Further activities for 2007-08 were the 4th annual TRIO Alumni Reunion and the awarding of the TRIO Alumni Scholarship.

TRIO Tribune Team:

These students create and relate news of interest to TRIO/SSS students by organizing and producing the on-line newsletter.

Reama Pearson and Jessica McWhite are the group leaders.

For more information on joining any of these groups, please stop by the TRIO Center in B-Annex or email a TRIO staff member or TRIO student.



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