OSFA News for School Counselors

OCTOBER THRU DECEMBER 2012

National Training for Counselors and Mentors (NT4CM) Workshops Registration Available

National Training for Counselors and Mentors (NT4CM) is a collaboration that provides free training and support for counselors and mentors who assist students and their families in preparing financially for college.

The Florida Department of Education, Office of Student Financial Assistance <u>Outreach Representatives</u> are a team of professional trainers who provide comprehensive, up-to-date information regarding federal and state student-aid programs, scholarship searches, and financial aid fraud. Participants learn to access free resources, such as fact sheets, brochures, and PowerPoint presentations to help them assist their students. NT4CM is available for any individual who advises students and their families on how to fund education beyond high school. NT4CM is sponsored by Federal Student Aid (<u>FSA</u>), National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (<u>NASFAA</u>), National Council of Higher Education Resources (<u>NCHER</u>), National

Association for College Admission Counseling (<u>NACAC</u>), American School Counselor Association (<u>ASCA</u>), National College Access Network (NCAN), and Council for Opportunity in Education (COE).

Click here to register.

National Training for Counselors and Mentors (NT4CM) Workshops

Locations and Dates

October 19, 2012 Ave Maria University Bldg. #3 Paul M. Henkels Academic Building 5050 Ave Maria Boulevard Ave Maria, FL 34142-9505 239-280-2500 Driving Directions

November 2, 2012 Aparicio-Levy Technical Center 10119 East Ellicott Street Tampa, FL33610 Driving Directions

November 9, 2012 Keiser University 1640 SW 145th Avenue Pembroke Pines, FL 33027 954-431-4300 Driving Directions

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Locations and Dates continued.

December 4, 2012 Valencia College - West Campus Bldg. #8 Special Events Center 1800 S. Kirkman Road Orlando, FL32811 Driving Directions Campus Map

December 6, 2012 Professional Training Centers 13926 SW 47th Street, Bldg. #13980 Meditatio Miami, FL33175 305-220-2889 <u>Campus Map</u>

Financial Aid Wisdom

Time is money and it is quickly passing. Now is the time to tell your students and parents about how to find resources to pay for college. Schedule your High School Financial Aid night, Parent Awareness Meeting, Free Application for Federal Student Aid Lab, and Bright Futures Lab today. OSFA's dedicated <u>Outreach Representatives</u> eagerly await your call.

Bright Futures Scholarship

The Florida Department of Education reminds you to advise the graduating class of 2013 that the *Florida Financial Aid Application* for Bright Futures will be available on December 1. Schedule a Bright Futures lab with your area <u>Outreach Representative</u> and encourage 100% of the graduating class to apply!

State of Florida Holidays

The Office of Student Financial Assistance observes the following holidays for the remainder of the year. Please keep these dates in mind when scheduling your high school events.

- Veterans Day, Monday, 11/12/12
- Thanksgiving Holiday, Thursday and Friday, 11/22/12—11/23/12
- Christmas Day, Tuesday, 12/25/12

The Office of Student Financial Assistance wishes you a safe and enjoyable holiday season!

Upcoming Calendar Dates

- October 2012 College Fairs, Senior Nights, and Financial Aid Nights are being conducted throughout the State of Florida. Schedule yours now!
- November 2012 Encourage your students to participate in the opportunities to volunteer and earn community services hours that can used toward the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship.
- December 2012 2012-13 Florida Financial Aid Application is available to high school seniors.

The NyFF E-News is available for your students

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<u>Sign up here</u> to receive E-News updates and other important financial aid industry information.

This month's issue addresses important topics like:

- ·School and Life Management Tips
- \cdot Where To Find Help On Campus
- · Money Saving Ideas For Students

Have you missed an issue of the OSFA News for Counselors?

You may visit the <u>archives</u> for prior editions. Feel free to share our updates with faculty peers! Contact an OSFA Outreach Representative about your high school's needs.

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