

# TRIO

**Teacher Preparation Student Support Services**

**NOVEMBER**



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# EVENT RECAPS



## Mid-Semester Care Bags

On Thursday, October 12th and throughout the rest of the next week, students in TRIO

Teacher Preparation stopped by the Allendale and Pew offices to pick up a Mid-Semester Care Bag! TRIO TPSSS knows how stressful mid-terms can be with exams, projects, and presentations, so we put together care bags to help students stay focused and encouraged their hard work! The care bags included candies, snacks, index cards, highlighters, and more!

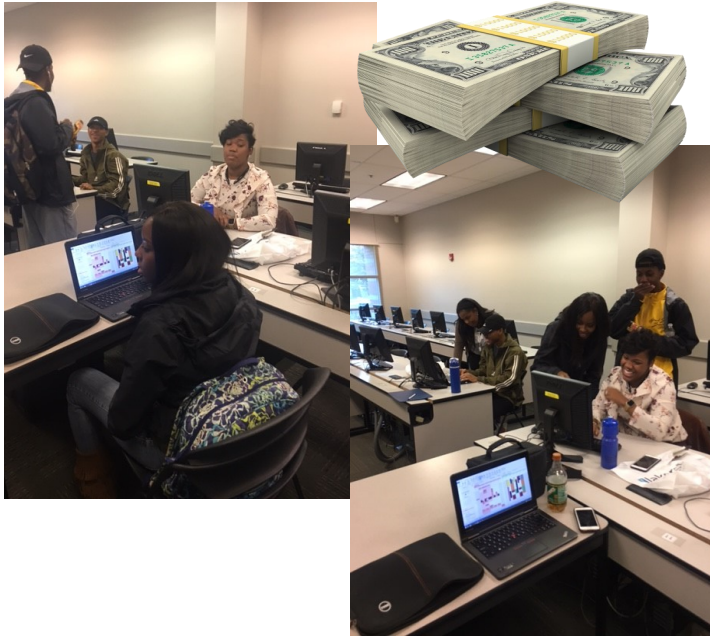
## TRIO Open House

On Wednesday, October 18th, TRIO students were invited to come together to celebrate the beginning of a new school year! TRIO staff and students laughed, ate, and talked about their upcoming year together. It was a great event to celebrate the TRIO family at Grand Valley and connect with one another as we prepare for another great school year full of events, seminars, and trips!





# SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS



## FAFSA Night

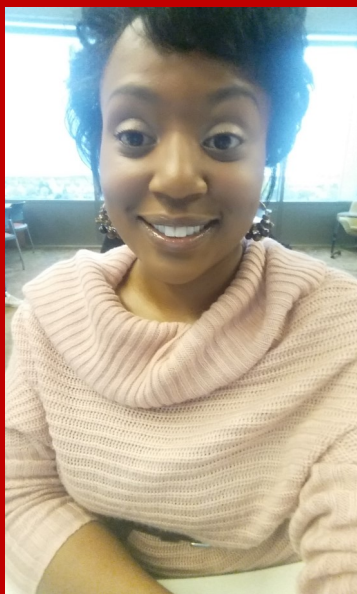
On Wednesday, October 25th, TRIO TPSSS, joined TRIO STEM-Health Sciences and SSS in a night all about FAFSA. With the help of TRIO staff and Financial Aid professionals, students were given assistance in completing their 2018-2019 school year FAFSA. If you were unable to make it to the event and still need some assistance please contact the TRIO TPSS office.

## Monster Mash “Trunk or Treat”

On October 27th, 2017, TRIO TPSSS students volunteered at the Salvation Army Ray & Joan Kroc Crops Community Center's annual Monster Mash! TRIO TPSSS represented College of Education professor Dr. Barb Lubic! TPSSS staff and students handed out candy, GVSU goodies, and books to children and their families. This event unites local organizations, business and community for an evening of trick-or-treat fun!



# STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS



## *Antwenet Melton*

Antwenet is an English major and Physical Education minor at Grand Valley this year. Antwenet loves spending time with her family, mainly spending time with her three great-nephews. She also enjoys walking, running, and dancing on the beach. TRIO TPSSS has been proud to have Antwenet in the program for the past year. She says: "My experience in TPSSS has helped to shape my transition to a university both impactful and exceptional. Being a member of this group is like being a part of a family. As a first generation student, one may feel a lack of guidance that would typically come from a parent/guardian; that is not the case in this organization. TPSSS has helped to supplement for that need of guidance."

In the future, Antwenet hopes to teach in a school where students of marginalized and diversified identities make up *at least* half of the student population. "As an educator, I will endeavor to equip my students with the resources of knowledge necessary to attain success in life. I will advocate for resilience to battle against feelings of inadequacy. I will consider my students' individual needs and leverage my position to understand first, assist in what ways I can second, and finally scaffold toward challenging experiences that adequately prepare them for the world."

## *Kelli Nemetz*

Kelli is a senior this year at Grand Valley and a triple major in Elementary Education, English Language Arts, and German. She enjoys reading, crafting, volunteering at Kids Food Basket, and spending time with her friends and family whenever possible. Kelli has been a part of TRIO Teacher Preparation for a year and a half and says "I have loved my experience with TRIO TPSSS so far. I have gone to events and on trips, and I always learn so much. I also work in the office, so being behind the scenes and seeing all of the cool things TPSSS plans to do for its students is a really cool experience!"

Kelli was influenced to go into Education simply because she loved it and when she had her first experience in a classroom, she felt like a perfect fit. As an educator, Kelli says she is "an advocate for a love of learning." She believes that, "all children have the ability to learn and love learning, and it is our job to find out how students learn best, how they can find a passion for learning, and help them grow. Education is such a powerful tool and with it, anyone of any diversity can accomplish whatever they want to."



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Day of the Dead

Date: Nov. 1st

Time: 6:00PM - 8:00PM

Location: Honors College

## CEC Symposium

Date: Nov. 4th

Time: 8:30AM—3:00PM

Location: KC 2215/2216

## TRIO CML Night

Date: Nov. 8th

Time: 5pm-7pm

Location: DeVos 201A

## TRIO TPSS Graduate School Trip to WMU\*

Date: Nov. 10th

Time: 8am

Location: Kalamazoo

\*See Orgsync for details

## Politics of the Workplace

Date: Nov. 27th

Time: 4:00PM

Location: Holton-Hooker

## Hypnotist Tom Deluca

Date: Nov. 29th

Time: 9:00PM

Location: KC 2250

Date: Nov. 22nd– 26th

## TPSSS Advising Appointments

### ALLENDALE CAMPUS

Tuesdays & Thursdays

9:00am to 4:00pm

By Appointment

200 STU

616-331-6870

tpsss@gvsu.edu

### PEW CAMPUS

Monday-Friday

9:00am to 4:00pm


By Appointment

388C Devos

616-331-6870

tpsss@gvsu.edu

## November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 	24	25
			Thanksgiving Break: No Classes			
26	27	28	29	30		

**For more Grand Valley Events, go to  
[gvsu.edu/events](http://gvsu.edu/events)**

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## Fredrick Meijer Scholarship Opportunity

**Description:** This scholarship was created to assist First Generation students who are the first in their family to pursue and earn a four-year degree.

**Deadline:** March 1st, 2018

**Amount:** Varies

## #BecauseILoveYou Scholarship Slam

**Description:** Scholarship is open to students 25 years or younger who are current or former high school students and who attend or is attending college within the U.S. or its territories. Applicant must submit an original poem on what "healthy relationship" means to them.

**Deadline:** November 7th, 2017

**Amount:** \$1,000

## Education Matters Scholarships

**Description:** Scholarship is open to students who are legal residents of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia and are currently enrolled in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher education. Applicant will need to submit a short response to a given prompt.

**Deadline:** November 30th, 2017

**Amount:** \$5,000

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

## **Kids' Food Basket**

**Description:** Kids' Food Basket is a nonprofit organization attacking childhood hunger to help young people learn and live well. We began over a decade ago by serving 125 kids each school day through our Sack Supper program and now serve nearly 7,500 kids each weekday in West Michigan. Sack Suppers are evening meals that are well-rounded and nutritious —nutrition that's critical to the development of kids' brains and bodies.

**Location:** Grand Rapids, Holland, or Muskegon

**Phone Number:** (616) 235-4532

## **Family Promise Grand Rapids**

**Description:** Family Promise partners with families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless by helping them get back on their feet so they can create a stable lifestyle for their children.

**Location:** Grand Rapids

**Phone Number:** (616) 445-5220



# COMPASS PROGRAM & GVSU COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

COMPASS Program | GVSU College of Education.

The goal of the COMPASS Program is to provide academic support and guidance to students who plan to teach. Benefits of the program include:

- Guidance regarding the necessary steps to apply to the College of Education
- Assistance with preparing for the Professional Readiness Exam (Basic Skills and Content Area tests)
- Tutoring for students having academic difficulty
- Academic Advising
- Monthly meetings with guest speakers from the College of Education (food provided)
- Mentoring from College of Education faculty and staff
- Tutoring opportunities with local elementary and high schools



**IF YOU ARE  
ELIGIBLE...**

1. Go to our website:

[www.gvsu.edu/tpsss](http://www.gvsu.edu/tpsss)

2. Click Apply (located in the navigation bar)

3. Follow the instructions on the page and press  
“Click here to Apply”



# CHECK OUT SOME OTHER FREE RESOURCES ON CAMPUS!

## COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES (CLAS)

Provides an overview of the requirements graduation and assists in developing an achievable academic plan.

Office: C-1-140 MAK

Phone: 616 331-8585

Email: [advstu@gvsu.edu](mailto:advstu@gvsu.edu)

Web: [www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising](http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising)

## MULTICULTURAL COHORT PROGRAM

Professional development program that connects students with similar career goals.

Office: 1240 Kirkhof Center

Phone: 616-331-2177

Email: [oma@gvsu.edu](mailto:oma@gvsu.edu)

## STUDENT ACADEMIC SUCCESS CENTER

Assists and aids undecided, pre-major, and transfer students.

Office: 200 Student Services

Phone: 616-331-3588

Email: [askowl@gvsu.edu](mailto:askowl@gvsu.edu)

Web: [www.gvsu.edu/sasc](http://www.gvsu.edu/sasc)

## CAREER CENTER

Assists with choosing a major and investigating careers.

Office: 206 Student Services

Phone: 616-331-3311

Email: [careers@gvsu.edu](mailto:careers@gvsu.edu)



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