

# TRIO

**Teacher Preparation Student Support Services**

## OCTOBER



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# SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS



## Indianapolis Trip

May 4th and 5th, fifteen TRIO students and staff members traveled to Indianapolis, Indiana. TPSSS and TRIO STEM Health Science paired up to visit the Indianapolis Museum of Art and Children's Museum of Indianapolis. During their stay, they also toured the campus of Big Ten Purdue University. This tour included visiting landmarks on the beautiful campus. Some of the students' favorite sights included mock space shuttles and an Amazon brick and mortar delivery station. There are only two in the US.

## Summer Sizzler

On Thursday, June 22nd, TRIO Teacher Preparation students and staff came together for bonding over games and Famous Dave's! TPSSS students were encouraged to bring a friend who could also benefit from the program and learn about what TRIO can offer first generation students. Overall, the Sizzler was a great way to unwind and hang out after a long, busy semester.





# SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS



## Storytime in the Park

On July 18th, TPSSS partnered with the College of Education's Alumni Association to participate in the summer project Story Time in the Park. Story Time is a weekly event put on during the summer. Every Tuesday night children 15 years old and younger come with their family members to enjoy a free book and ice cream. This weekly event takes a lot of preparation, time, and people to make it the success it is every summer. TRIO helped children pick out their books and helped keep everything organized and efficient.

## Summer Orientation

On Wednesday, August 23rd, TRIO TPSSS welcomed new and old faces back to Grand Valley with our Summer Orientation. Students spent the day learning about TRIO and its services, hearing other TPSSS students give presentations about their experiences in the program. Presenters, staff, and students finished the day trying to solve their way out of the Great Escape Room and were almost successful in getting out! It was a great way to start off the school year and learn about all the tools TRIO has to help students succeed. A big thank you to our TPSSS student presenters, and Elementary Placement Coordinator, Lisa Renee Norris.



# STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS



## *Sabrina Fuggerson*

Sabrina is a senior this year and studying Elementary Education and Mathematics. She has been a part of Teacher Preparation for two years. Sabrina is also a member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority INC. Sabrina joined TRIO Teacher Prep because she realized that she could really benefit from TRIO's aid and support. About her experience being in the program she says: "My experience with Trio has been phenomenal! I have not only come across tutors that helped me but advisors who have supported me along the way as well. I would say TPSSS has a strong foundation on taking on your struggles and making you feel comfortable enough to work on your goals and excel."

Sabrina has wanted to pursue teaching ever since she was a little girl and loved to play pretend as a teacher running her own classroom. Growing up and going into middle and high school, Sabrina had two really influential teachers, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Parnell. She says these two were important to her because they showed her that women can teach Mathematics and excel in it.

After she graduates this December, she plans to advocate for all of the children "who are misunderstood. I advocate for students who do not have models in their lives and need support. Most importantly, I advocate for all students who need encouragement, motivation, and a listening ear."

Sabrina doesn't have any specific plans after graduation but she knows she will be happy wherever she ends up. We are happy to have Sabrina be a part of our TRIO family and can't wait to see her grow into an amazing educator!



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Study Abroad Meeting

Date: Oct. 4th

Time: 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Location: LOH 130

## TRIO Open House

Date: Oct. 18th

Time: 4:00PM

Location: Holton-Hooker

## "The Tempest"

Date: Oct. 5th

Time: 7:30PM

Location: Louis Armstrong

## FAFSA Night

Date: Oct. 25th

Time: 6:00PM

Location: TBA

## Fall Zumba Party

Date: Oct. 11th

Time: 8:00PM - 10:00PM

Location: Rec Center

## Fall Volunteer Night

Date: Oct. 26th

Time: 6:00PM

Location: TRIO Talent Search  
Office

## TPSSS Advising Appointments

### ALLENDALE CAMPUS

Tuesdays & Thursdays

9:00am to 4:00pm

By Appointment

200 STU

616-331-6870

[tpsss@gvsu.edu](mailto:tpsss@gvsu.edu)

### PEW CAMPUS

Monday-Friday

9:00am to 4:00pm

By Appointment

388C Devos

616-331-6870

[tpsss@gvsu.edu](mailto:tpsss@gvsu.edu)

## October 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	26	27	28
29	30	31				

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

# SCHOLARSHIPS

## UCT Scholarship Program

**Description:** Scholarship is open to current college students, or teachers looking to go back to school, who are pursuing degrees or certification to teach persons with intellectual disabilities.

**Deadline:** November 15th, 2017      **Amount:** Varies

## Sales Training and Development Scholarship

**Description:** Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and current college Freshmen and Sophomores who will be pursuing a degree in business or teaching.

**Deadline:** December 31st, 2017      **Amount:** \$1,000

## #FeelsLikeHome Scholarship

**Description:** Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors who are between the ages of 16 and 22 years of age. Applicant must share a photo that shows how they've made (or plan to make) their college experience feel like a home away from home.

**Deadline:** October 13th, 2017      **Amount:** \$1,000

# 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  
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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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