



TRiO

DESTINATION COLLEGE APPLICATION

WHY SHOULD YOU BE A PART OF DESTINATION COLLEGE?

The TRiO Destination College team believes that every student can go to college. Our goal is to help middle/junior high school and high school students like you build a pathway to college and career goals!

We hold regular events and visit your school to support you on your journey. Join us to define success your way and reach your goal of attending college.

WE CAN HELP YOU!

- Explore colleges and careers.
- Find money for college and learn how to manage it.
- Get academic skills training and tutoring.
- Complete college and financial aid applications.

APPLY TODAY!

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TESTIMONIALS FROM TRiO STUDENTS

"It helps you stay on track of the right path to college and it's the best experience for someone who needs help in school and futuristic goals."

- Samantha Cooley, Mattoon Middle School

"TRiO Destination College is a great program that I would recommend to anyone! You learn great things and meet new people. I didn't realize how much college really affects every job you do."

- Kaitlyn Chapman, Casey-Westfield High School

"It's fun, educational and the only way to really understand it is to go and be a part of it."

- Dylan Miner, Mattoon Middle School

"It's awesome! You learn a lot and the program helps you! Join because it's so much fun!"

- Olivia Judson, Casey-Westfield High School

"It is a great opportunity to explore different colleges and careers that you want."

- Kristan Durbin, Pana High School

"It's a great way to start the path to college where you make many friends."

- Aryele O'Dell, Mattoon High School

"It's the best way to learn about college through a variety of activities and events."

- Bailey Anderson, Mattoon High School

"It's a lot of fun and it helps you prepare for college. There are also a lot of fun events you attend."

- Danielle Simpson, Pana Junior High

"It is the best thing to do because it has helped me decide on a college. Everyone should join!"

- Felicia Scaiano, Mattoon High School

"It's a great organization that helps with more than just college readiness; friends are gained and memories are made."

- Andreanna Smith, Paris Cooperative High School

"I used to dread knowing I was going to have to go to college because I thought I would have to pay all the expenses and face it all alone. TRiO has shown me how good a life experience this will be for me. Now I'm looking into information about college and future careers to help find the right college for me."

- Jessica Hall, Mattoon High School

FREE services offered to all participants:

- Monthly meetings/workshops at school
- Trips and college visits
- Help with college and financial aid applications
- Connections to tutoring
- SAT prep courses
- Parent workshops
- Leadership opportunities

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Date of Application: ____/____/____ 2017-18 Grade: _____ School: _____
MM DD YY

Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Initial Preferred Name

Mailing Address: _____
Street Name & Number Apartment # City State Zip Code

Primary Phone: (____) _____ Student Cell: (____) _____

Student's Email Address: _____

Parent's Email Address: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Age: _____ Gender: ___M ___F
MM DD YY

Social Security Number: _____-_____-_____ (This is needed for US Department of Education documentation.)

Are you a citizen/permanent resident of the United States? ___Yes ___No Are you a US veteran? ___Yes ___No

Ethnic Background: ___Hispanic/Latino ___Native American ___African-American ___Asian
___White ___Pacific Islander ___Multiracial

EDUCATION & INCOME VERIFICATION

Lake Land College Destination College, a Talent Search project, is required by the US Department of Education to verify educational background and household income level for all participants. (34CFR643.10) All information will be held in strict confidence, and we will adhere to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA).

Please note to determine eligibility for college application fee deferments, ACT/SAT registration fee waivers, and other services based on income, we need the following information from the most recent tax return of the person(s) with whom this student resides. **Taxable Income** can be found on line 43 of form 1040, line 27 of form 1040A, and line 6 of form 1040EZ. **Taxable Income** is usually lower than the Total or Gross Income. Please call 217-234-5003 or 217-234-5048 if you have any questions or need assistance locating this information. If possible, please include a copy of your tax form with application. 34CFR643.7

1. Did either of the applicant's parents, **who live with the applicant**, earn a baccalaureate degree (4-year degree) or higher? (Please do **not** answer for natural parents who **do not** live with the applicant, stepparents, grandparents or legal guardians.) ___Yes ___No
2. Please provide the number of members in your household. Include yourself and anyone supported by your income. _____
My household's annual income for the previous year was: _____
My household's **Annual Taxable Income** for the previous year was: _____
(Taxable income is often less than a family's full annual income.)
Or I have no taxable income and am not required to file a tax return. _____
3. Is the applicant in foster care and/or ward of the state of Illinois? ___Yes ___No
4. I certify that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

*** ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE THE APPLICATION WILL BE PROCESSED.**

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Please complete all information below. Incomplete applications will delay processing. This section should be completed by the parent(s)/guardian(s) with whom the child lives.

Student lives with: Natural parents Single parent Legal guardian/foster parent
 Natural parent & step-parent Other: _____

Parent/Guardian Information: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Mailing Address: _____
Street Name & Number Apartment # City State Zip Code

Employer: _____ Job Title: _____

Cell Phone: (____) _____ Primary Phone (if different): (____) _____

Do you have another child in the Destination College program or any other TRiO program? Yes No
If yes, please provide child's name and school he/she currently attends: _____

If you have children in grades 6-12 not in the program, please list them here:

Print Name(s) of Children	Grade	School

I was referred to TRiO Destination College by a: Counselor Teacher Relative Brochure/Flyer
 Destination College Advisor Friend/Other

RELEASE STATEMENT & AGREEMENT

Please read carefully and sign where indicated. Failure to provide a signature will delay processing of the application.

- I hereby authorize the release of all secondary & post-secondary school records, including information from school personnel to the TRiO Destination College program.
- I authorize Destination College to share and discuss any information with my parents or legal guardians.
- I understand that all information on this application as well as that released from the school will be held in strict confidence by Destination College.
- I give permission to Destination College to take photographs during activities, trips, events and to use my child's name and/or photo for Destination College educational and/or promotional purposes.
- Our signatures below indicate our commitment to our child's education and Destination College.
- I understand that this authorization remains in effect while a participant in Destination College and through post-secondary education. I will provide Destination College with written notice to revoke the authorization.
- Contact may be made with my child on school premises for academic, social, mentoring and other services related to the program.

Student's Printed Name Student's Signature Date

Parent or Guardian's Printed Name Parent or Guardian's Signature Date

Complete this section **only** if you **DO NOT** give permission for release of participant's name or photo for Destination College promotional purposes.

Student's Signature Parent or Guardian's Signature Date

PLEASE READ EACH STATEMENT CAREFULLY. SELECT THE ANSWER THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR NEED.

I plan to continue my education after high school by enrolling in a college, university, trade school or other training program by completing the following education level.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Undecided
In high school, I plan to complete all classes needed to prepare for college.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Participate in clubs, sports and/or volunteer. Select all that apply.	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports <input type="checkbox"/> Art <input type="checkbox"/> Music/Band <input type="checkbox"/> JROTC <input type="checkbox"/> Drama <input type="checkbox"/> FFA <input type="checkbox"/> Clubs <input type="checkbox"/> Other
The best description of my grades would be:	<input type="checkbox"/> All As <input type="checkbox"/> As & Bs <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly Bs <input type="checkbox"/> Bs & Cs <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly Cs <input type="checkbox"/> Cs & Below
To improve my grades, I need tutoring in:	Subject(s):
I am in middle or high school and need help in selecting high school classes to get me ready for college.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet, but in the future
I need information about how to get ready for college and in completing college applications.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet, but in the future
I need help in preparing for testing, including ACT/SAT.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet, but in the future
I will need help in learning how to pay for college and in completing financial aid or scholarship applications.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet, but in the future

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO AFTER YOU COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION?

Return your completed application to Lake Land College, ATTN: Destination College, 5001 Lake Land Blvd; Webb Hall 016, Mattoon, IL 61938. You can also return the application to your Destination College advisor or school guidance counselor.

After reviewing your application, you will receive notification of the status of your application. Lastly, please contact us with any questions or concerns regarding our program. We welcome the opportunity to assist you and look forward to working with you!