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DESTINATION COLLEGE

## FALL NEWSLETTER



### WHAT ARE WE DOING TO HELP DURING THIS TIME?

During this time TRiO Destination College is dedicated to serving our students. We are striving to continue to offer our normal services while pivoting to embrace the mostly online learning environment we are currently in.

TRiO Destination College is expanding our online capabilities, including our social media to help keep students, parents, and schools involved. We would love to see more engagement with our social media. If you would like to follow us, you can find us @llctriodc on Instagram and @triocdc on Facebook.

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### EXPANDING OUR PLATFORM

We are working on creating an online platform to share content with students, so we can continue teaching them valuable lessons that we would typically present to them at schools. TRiO Destination College has created a Google Classroom for TRiO students to use. On our Google Classroom, students have access to multiple different resources, among activities that we would normally conduct. During the summer we also held "Zoom Hangouts" for students, which covered a variety of different topics. These hangouts were created to be similar to our school visits. Students had the opportunity to hop on and talk about different topics with TRiO advisors and peers from other schools. Typically, advisors would plan a hangout around a certain topic in which TRiO students would get to do different activities and learn in a fun and interactive way.

These hangouts will continue to serve as our school visits; however, we are moving over to Google Meets. Students will have different opportunities to join TRiO Staff. Club 678 (middle school) members will have meetings at 2:30 pm on Tuesdays and 3:30 pm on



Wednesdays. Club TRiO (high school) members will have meetings at 3:30 pm on Tuesdays and 2:30 pm on Wednesdays. TRiO Seniors will have an additional meeting on the first Thursday of every month at 3:30 pm.

BAND is an app, which can also be accessed on a web page, that operates like Remind. This app will allow us to create events, participate in challenges, live stream, share files, create to-do-lists, and signup sheets. We also have the ability to chat and voice call with students through the app. BAND, we believe, will be very beneficial in getting information to students and allowing them to have a sense of community within TRiO. We soon will be sending out a mailing with more information about BAND and how to sign up for it. We have BAND groups for both our junior high and high school participants. Club 678 offers a place for junior high students to participate in group discussions, updates, and other opportunities, while Club TRiO offers the same for high school students.

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### SUMMER SERVICES

During the summer, TRiO continued with our normal summer plans. We put on a virtual

summer camp this year, partnering with Paradigm Shift. We also sent students several other activities both through e-mail and in the mail.

Students were sent BINGO activities, where they were asked to complete tasks such as following us on social media, drink two glasses of water, visit a college website, or talk to someone from school. Once students completed this activity, we asked them to send it back in the mail and let us know if they would like to be sent a care package. We also did our backpack activity this year, where students evaluate their learning style and get free school supplies!

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### MEET THE TRIO DC TEAM



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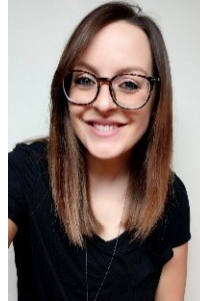
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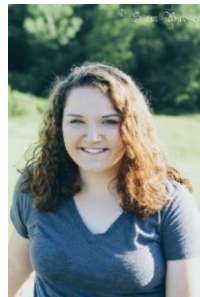
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### TRiO DESTINATION COLLEGE'S MISSION

We are a college readiness program that helps students prepare for college and careers:

- Exploring Colleges
- Exploring Careers
- Finding Scholarships for College and Managing Them
- Academic Skills Training
- Completing College Applications
- Completing Financial Aid Applications
- And More!