TRIO Student Support Services at Green River Community College

TRIO News

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TRIO Year End Celebration and Commencement

The 2006 TRIO Year End Celebration was the largest in the history of the program at GRCC. The event was attended by over 140 people, including graduates, continuing participants, staff, and faculty.

Linda Sprenger, former GRCC trustee, provided the keynote address. Linda has been a consistent supporter of TRIO since it began at Green River in 1993. She spoke about the personal touch that TRIO provides that makes such a difference in students’ lives.

Penny Nelson-Schlegel, TRIO Alumna, emphasized how important it was for TRIO participants to utilize the services and to gain encouragement from the support.

This year’s TRIO graduates also had a chance to share their stories. The common theme of their stories was that TRIO provided HOPE, ENCOURAGEMENT, and a sense of BELONGING.

The 2006 Commencement Ceremony honored all GRCC’s graduates. TRIO participant Johnny Gannaw was honored by being nominated for the President’s award and Reed Harding received the Student Leadership award. Overall, 35 TRIO participants anticipate completing their GRCC degrees this year.

Essential Checklist for Next Year—Don’t Forget!

For those of you who are returning to Green River in the Fall, be sure you have completed the following items:

- **Register** for Fall classes. Courses are filling fast and you do not want to miss out on your opportunity to build a good schedule.

- **Apply for financial aid** and complete any additional paperwork they send to you immediately! Even though the priority date has passed, you still have time to get your financial aid turned in to be considered for next year.

- **Check your Spring grades** online. If you did not do as well as you had hoped and need to make adjustments to your schedule, contact your TRIO advisor ASAP.

- **Update TRIO** with any changes to your contact information. It is especially important that we have your current mailing and email addresses along with your current phone number.

- If you are interested in checking out any textbooks from the TRIO lending library in the Fall, get your request in now.

If you have checked off all the items on this list, Congratulations! The TRIO staff hope you have a relaxing summer. Kick back, read a good book and get some summer sun. We look forward to seeing you again in September.

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Updated Summer Hours:

TRIO Student Support Services will be open throughout much of the summer. Our office hours will change slightly to the following:

Monday—Thursday, 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Friday, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Please also be aware that summer is the one time of the year that staff can easily take vacation. There may be a few days throughout the summer with limited office coverage. Be sure to call ahead to make an appointment with your TRIO advisor.