Financial Literacy

Informative night for parents at the Financial Aid 101 workshop, a Parent Center event.

If you missed the opportunity to attend our Financial Aid workshop for our 9th-12th grade parents, then you missed receiving pertinent information on preparing financially for your student’s post-secondary education. Hats off to Mrs. Brandi Beavers our financial aid “guru” and Tucker’s Post Secondary Transition Specialist. Mrs. Beavers was our illustrious and informative presenter. Parents in attendance received information on College and Career Readiness - GAFutures - Financial Literacy Information - Federal Programs - State Programs - filling out the FASFA and more.

Special thanks to our Tucker Team, Mr. Dwight Jackson, Mr. Robert Hairston, Dr. Brittany Aarestad and Mr. Eldon Nurse for your support at our event.

For more financial aid information contact Mrs. Beavers at brandi_beavers@dekalbschoolsga.org. To receive a Scholarship Information Packet from our workshop you can email Mrs. Humphrey your THS Parent Liaison at lisa_humphrey@dekalbschoolsga.org.
Who’s Your Counselor?
Your student’s counselor is someone you need to know.

School counselors are crucial in supporting you and your student in deciding their appropriate course of instruction, directing their academic success, and outlining the steps for their post secondary future. Counselors are also ever ready and accessible for providing counseling to students, as needed.

Your students may not easily or willingly share things they experience with you. School counselors serve as adults that students trust and who can help them make healthy choices during their time at THS. Our counselors are educated and trained to address a number of issues. Tucker Counselors are qualified to identify signs of bullying, depression, eating disorders, drug abuse, and also suicide risk factors, warning signs, prevention and intervention for vulnerable teens. It is important to know your student’s counselor and establish a working relationship with them. Your THS counselor is a person you may not know, but he or she is a person that you need to know.

Dwight Jackson
Head Counselor
Students Last Name N-R

Dr. Shanesa Walker
Counselor
Student Last Names A-C

Nicole Bodiford
Counselor
Student Last Names D-I

Angela Williams
Counselor
Student Last Names J-M

Deven Currie
Counselor
Student Last Names S-Z

The THS Counseling Department makes it easy for students and parents to locate information on “all things counseling,” at their website at: https://tuckercounseling.wordpress.com.

Take an opportunity to explore this website where you can set appointments, get information on 9th-12 action plans, find information on THS activities and clubs, scholarships, online courses, testing, future career resources, graduation requirements and so much more.
Somebody’s Watching Me…

October is Cyber Safety Month!

“Students do not realize that everything they share...will possibly haunt them in the future.”

The Parent Center is hosting an event to offer parents valuable information to protect yourself and your student. Almost every student has a social networking account and that potentially opens the door for predators, identity theft, cyber stalkers and more. When students share information that adds to the existing digital footprint. Students do not realize that everything they share at the least will follow them but depending on the content, it will possibly haunt them in the future and keep them from being accepted to certain colleges.

Join us on October 22, in the Media Center at 5:30 PM. Mrs. Robbie Barber, THS Media Specialist will share valuable information on digital footprint, cyberbullying, texting, sexting and other potentially dangerous areas. Sign Up for Cyber Safety Workshop : https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d4aa9af2ca2fb6-cyber

Parent Teacher Conferences

Sign up for appointment only parent-teacher conferences on October 17, 2019 from 3:30 PM - 6:05 PM at: https://signup.com/go/QjDgByw

If a teacher does not have any available conference slots you may email them directly to schedule a conference on another day and time. Teachers’ emails are available in Infinite Campus or at http://www.tuckerhs.dekalb.k12.ga.us/Staff.aspx. If you have any questions please email Lisa_Humphrey@dekalbschoolsga.org.
2020 Seniors Set New Voter Registration Record!

Parents, Volunteers, and Teachers Successfully Register Senior Students

On Wednesday, September 25, The Parent Center joined forces with THS teachers, parents, and volunteers to successfully register a record ninety-two (92) THS senior students to vote at a single THS voter registration event! This is thanks in part to the work of our Voter Registration Planning Committee consisting of Kevin Mooney, Herbert Watson, Genevieve Johnson, Jamie Poole and Lisa Humphrey.

During the assembly, Victoria Sanders, a THS Senior, impressed those present with an address on the importance of exercising the right to vote. Victoria also shared how members of her family were forced to fight for the right to vote, during the Civil Rights era in Lowndes County Alabama. Mr. Mooney shared stunning, historical facts and statistics about voting and he discussed the remarkable impacts of change that young adults can make in their communities, our country and around the world with just a twenty-percent increase in the youth vote. Mr. Watson walked students through the voter registration form which enabled us to register so many students on site.

This event was not limited to voter registration. Voter education was emphasized as well. Over 100 students committed to vote and completed a "Rock the Vote" pledge card, allowing the Parent Center to stay in touch with students and provide them with non-partisan voter education. They will receive: election information, early voting locations, home poll locator links, ballot information links, THS future voter activities and more.

Everyone present was not eligible to vote. However, voter education was provided to everyone at the event. The following information was shared:

- Why every vote counts
- Differentiating between "Real and Fake News" (Kahoot It! game)
- Additional ways to contribute to an election even if you are not eligible to vote

A huge thank you is extended to everyone who volunteered their time and efforts. A special thanks goes out to teachers who offered student incentives for those who registered to vote. We could not have pulled off this event without the assistance of our loyal parent volunteers (YOU GO PARENTS!!!!), our THS faculty and staff, along with the Region 2 Parent Center Facilitator and the THS Parent Liaison.
**Student Advancement Sponsors a College & Career Connections**

If your 11th or 12th grader is interested in getting information on the University of Georgia please have them register for this exclusive Tucker High School College & Career Connections event. Students MUST register to attend. Passes will only be given to registered students.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Brandi Beavers our Region 2 Post-Secondary Transition Specialist at: Brandi_Beavers@dekalbschoolsga.org

REGISTER HERE--> https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeqENmDZVid79emguLcRrWkxbvSj0yGw4vrtYkJLtVsDqxBQ/viewform

**Senior Financial Aid Night - FAFSA Completion Event**

Monday, October 21st at 5:00 pm is a FAFSA Completion event and here are the items needed to complete the FAFSA:

Items needed to complete the FAFSA

- Social Security number (Alien Registration Number, if not a U.S. citizen)
- Parent’s Most recent federal income tax returns, W-2s and other records of money earned
- Parent’s Bank statements and investment records (if applicable)
- Parent's Records of untaxed income (if applicable)
- Parent’s and student needs an FSA ID to sign electronically (FSAID.ed.gov)

Students/Parents must register for this event in order to attend.

Please see the attached:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeYR_OpgrDgve1m5NKNAcNziDA2O10O9kDnzNDV91fR9a4hg/viewform
The Parent Center is Requesting Donations

Every little bit counts

“We need your help”

Thank you Tucker High Faculty and Staff for donating to our cause. To the parent who dropped off goodies (chips and cookies), thank you. You all are very much appreciated! We did not meet our goal as planned so we are asking for your help. We value all donations, no donation is too small. Every item we receive makes a difference.

You can help the Parent Center provide snacks for parents who attend our meetings, workshops or events before heading home from work or for the volunteers who offers their time and assistance, or to THS students who stop by the Parent Center for a little something to just make it through the day.

You are welcomed to bring all donations directly to the Parent Center in room B225. Thanks in advance for your help!

Parent Center Wish List

- Bottled water
- Hot beverage disposable cups
- Tea bags
- K-cups beverages

Single Serving Size

- Crackers
- Popcorn
- Granola & cereal bars
- Pretzels
- Chips
- Fruit snacks
- Candy

FREE STUFF AT THE PARENT CENTER

-Use Computers - Attend Parent Training
-Use Printers - Attend Parent Workshops
-Use Copier - Parent/Student/Family Resources
-Use Scanner - Advocate for Students
-Infinite Campus Help - Student Study Strategies

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