

Florida A&M University

Talent Search Program



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EOC Assistance

Saturday Success Sessions

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Educational Talent Search at FAMU

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What Does Search Do?

The Talent Search program identifies and assists individuals who have the potential to succeed in higher education. The program provides academic, career, and financial counseling to its participants and encourages them to graduate from high school and continue on to and complete their postsecondary education. The program publicizes the availability of financial aid and assist participant with the postsecondary application process. Talent Search also encourages persons who have not completed education programs at the secondary or postsecondary level to enter or reenter and complete postsecondary education. The goal of Talent Search is to increase the number of youth from disadvantaged backgrounds who complete high school and enroll in and complete their postsecondary education.

Program Objectives

90% of participants will be promoted to the next grade at the end of each year.

10% of seniors served during the year will complete a rigorous course of study leading to graduation with a regular diploma.

73% of seniors served during the year will graduate with a regular diploma within the standard number of years.

65% of "college ready" participants will enroll in a program of postsecondary education during each year.

35% of participants who enroll in a program of postsecondary education will graduate within 6 years.

Required Services

Provide connections for participants to quality academic tutoring services.

Provide advice and assistance in secondary course selection and initial postsecondary course selection when applicable.

Provide connection to participants and their parents to counseling serviced geared toward financial and economic literacy.

Provide assistance in the preparation for college entrance exams and completing college applications

Provide assistance with completing financial aid applications, including the FAFSA.

Provided guidance and assistance in

- Secondary school re-entry*
- GED programs enrollment*
- Alternative education programs for secondary school drop-outs*

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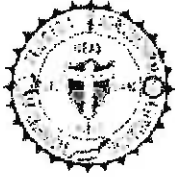
The Talent Search Program at Florida A&M University is currently accepting applications for the 2012 – 2013 school-year. Any middle or high school student who is interested in continuing their education beyond high school (not just at FAMU- but at any college, university, technical, or vocational school in the country) is strongly encouraged to enroll in the program. The title is misleading. The program is not about singing and dancing talent. **Talent Search** is a federally funded pre-collegiate program designed to encourage and promote academic success in middle school, graduate from high school, and enroll in the community college, university, technical, or vocational school of their choice. The following **free** services are provided:

- **Academic advisement**
- **ACT fee waivers (high school students only)**
- **Assistance with applying for financial aid**
- **Career education activities**
- **College visits outside of the Tallahassee area (all expenses paid)**
- **FCAT help**
- **Financial aid information**
- **FREE special college tours to colleges & universities outside of the Tallahassee area**
- **FREE special summer tutoring sessions will be held at designated schools and community sites**
- **GED information**
- **High school graduation requirement information**
- **Information on postsecondary institutions—colleges, universities, technical, and vocational schools**
- **Letters of recommendation**
- **Referrals to other educational programs**
- **Rigorous curriculum advisement**
- **Scheduled individual sessions**
- **Scholarship information**
- **Scholarship nominations**
- **School-site assistance at targeted schools**
- **Tutoring**

Students who reside in **Gadsden, Jefferson, or Leon** counties and have the desire to learn and succeed in school may apply for acceptance in the program. Services are provided during visits to targeted schools, or individually scheduled appointments.

If you would like instructions for receiving and returning applications or additional information, you may call either Mrs. Jackie Daniels, at 561-2612 or Mr. Melvin Middleton at 561-2108. Regular office hours are Monday - Friday, 8:00am until 5:00pm. If you are unable to speak with a staff member, please leave a message so that your call may be returned.

In order for students to receive valuable services such as tutoring, career and academic counseling, as well as eligibility to participate in college tours and cultural activities, a completed application must be on file with the FAMU Talent Search Program.



Florida A&M University
Talent Search Program
 640 Gamble Street, Tallahassee, FL 32307-5800
 Phone: (850) 599-3055



APPLICATION FOR SERVICES

PLEASE PRINT

SECTION I STUDENT INFORMATION

FIRST NAME _____ MIDDLE NAME _____ LAST NAME _____
 MAILING ADDRESS _____ APT# _____ /CITY _____, FL ZIPCODE _____
 HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____ SS# _____ (Grant Requirement)
 DATE OF BIRTH _____ SCHOOL _____
 ETHNIC ORIGIN: (check one)
 White _____ Hispanic _____ Black/African American _____ Asian _____ American Indian/Alaskan Native _____ Pacific Islander _____
 GENDER: Male _____ Female _____ U.S. Citizen: Yes _____ No _____
 PRESENT GRADE LEVEL: (circle one) 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th
 EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
ARE YOU PARTICIPATING IN ANY OTHER TRIO PROGRAMS OR ANOTHER EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM? (Mark X in Box) Yes No (i.e. Upward Bound, Upward Bound Math & Science, another Talent Search Program)
 If so, list the program(s) and location _____

SECTION II PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) INFORMATION

MOTHER/STEPMOTHER/GUARDIAN (FIRST/LAST NAME) _____ FATHER/STEFFATHER/GUARDIAN (FIRST LAST NAME) _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
 DID EITHER PARENT GRADUATE FROM A FOUR YEAR COLLEGE? (Check one) Yes _____ No _____
 TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD (including other children away in college) _____
 INCOME INFORMATION (PARENTS/EMANCIPATED STUDENT) IF CHILD IS A FOSTER CHILD, ENTER \$00.00 FOR INCOME.
 Please indicate the amount of taxable income received by your household by marking the appropriate box. Taxable income may be found on your most recent income tax form. \$0-\$16,755 \$16,755-\$22,695 \$22,695-\$28,635 \$28,635-\$34,575 \$34,575-\$40,515 \$40,515-\$46,455 \$46,455-\$52,395
 \$52,395-\$58,335 Other _____

SECTION III STUDENTS ACADEMIC/PERSONAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

EDUCATIONAL PLANS
 Attend _____ 4-year college _____ 2-year college _____ Attend Vocational/Technical School _____ Undecided _____

You are to indicate with a checkmark below whether or not you see the statement as a need of yours. Check all that apply:

I hereby certify that all information submitted on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I, also, give permission for the Florida A&M University - Educational Talent Search Program to have access to any school records of the student listed on the application.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____ Student Signature _____ Date _____

PLEASE COMPLETE CONSENT FORM ON BACK. SIGNATURES MUST BE IN CURSIVE WRITING AND IN INK.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY Eligibility Verified By: _____ Citizenship _____ Need _____ LIFG _____ LI _____ FG _____
 Date Accepted _____ Accepted By _____ Date Entered in Database _____

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THE FAMU TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM



Consent Form For Participation and Release of Records



I, _____ grant permission for _____
(Parent or Guardian Residing with child) (Child's Name)

to participate in activities of the FAMU Educational Talent Search Program. By signing this consent form, I promise to support the Talent Search Program's efforts to help my child progress toward the goal of attending college or vocational school. Also, I give consent for my child to participate in certain activities that require transportation provided by the program. I give permission for the release of grades, test scores, promotional/retention status, financial aid acceptance, post-secondary enrollment status and current contact information (i.e. address, telephone, etc.). I will hold the Educational Talent Search program harmless for any damages that might result from the activities and releases mentioned above.

*SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN RESIDING WITH CHILD

*SIGNATURE OF STUDENT

***Signatures must be in cursive and in ink.**

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