This Issue’s Key Takeaway

October and November are critical months for the future of many Seniors. According to House Bill 3, your student is required to complete a financial aid application in order to graduate. Doing so within the months of October and November, by the early action deadline would place students into consideration for priority scholarships. Find your campus Financial Aid Roadshow here

What Do I Need?

- FSA ID
- SSN or ITIN
- 2021 Tax Filings
- W-2 or IRS 1040

How Can I Prepare?

- Check out the Financial Aid Roadshow calendar to be sure you are able to attend!

McKinney-Vento Act and It's Affect on Some Students

The McKinney-Vento Act is a law set forth to ensure resources and educational protections for homeless & unaccompanied youth. There are many stigmas that come with the term "homeless" but within this act, there can be many benefits for the student's future. It could mean additional financial aid resources when applying to college. Homeless, as it pertains to the McKinney-Vento Act is defined as:

"individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence"

ex: sleeping in car, living in trailer parks, hotels, campgrounds, cars, public spaces, and migrant children who qualify for any of the above reason.

Want to know if you qualify? Click here
DATES TO REMEMBER

October 1, 2022
FAFSA/TASFA Opens

November 1 & 15, 2022*
Priority Early Action Deadline for Universities

November 21-25, 2022 Thanksgiving Break

December 1 & 15, 2022*
Regular Deadline for Universities

*= application submitted during this time varies per school and may include first choice for college based scholarships/

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

HISD Re-Engagement Center
To be successful at school, it is important that basic needs are met. The Re-Engagement Center is a resource! Located at 1417 Houston Ave, Houston, TX 77007, this center has student assistance, attendance, dropout prevention & recovery, homeless & foster care, military, college and career, and parenting students resources! Check out the Re-Engagement Center!

Baker Ripley Center
Baker Ripley is a non-profit organization created to make an impact on the Houston Community. With several locations located across the city of Houston, they have tax services, community centers, job & career development, senior health and wellness, and even disaster recovery! Check out where the nearest one is too you for the service you need!

Community Awareness & Involvement
Hispanic Heritage Month kicked off September 15 and runs through October 15.

According to HISD Communications, "HISD has 22 schools that recognize the contributions of Hispanic civic and community leaders who range from educators and civil servants to local restaurateurs, newscasters, Congressional Medal of Honor recipients, and even Nobel Prize-winners."

Get involved in the community that makes up over 25% of Houston population by exploring Hispanic companies through the cuisin, arts, music, dance and theatre.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH
Go confidently in the directions of your dreams[&] Live the Life you imagined
SUCCESS SKILLS

Students need to be prepared and go beyond standard classroom studies. Developing certain soft skills is essential for not only college and career readiness overall life preparedness. Let's talk about this month's success skill:

TIME MANAGEMENT
Time and Time again, no pun intended, this successful skill has been mentioned as a major part in almost everyone's life. Being able to prioritize your daily to-do list, or even make one, is one of the keys to successfully having a productive day. Time management can ensure that all the things you want to do, you can do! This soft skill is one that can make or break your future. For example, if there is a paper due at 11:59 pm on Wednesday but a mandatory meeting on Wednesday for 2 hours at 10 pm. What is your best solution to this? Discuss this with your student.

Check out more information here!
Share this information and practice with your student

FINDING YOUR COLLEGE FIT

Career Opportunities
- internships
- job placement
- salary

Campus Culture
- norms
- tradition
- habits

Financial Fit
- Financial aid award letter
- Cost of Attendance
- Out of Pocket Expenses

Extracurricular
- Greek Life
- Student Government
- Intramural Sports

Term of the Issue: SAR (Student Aid Report)
According to Studentaid.gov, Your Student Aid Report (SAR) is an electronic or paper document that gives you some basic information about your eligibility for federal student aid. It also includes your answers to the questions on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form

CHECK OUT THE "IMPORTANT LINKS" SECTION FOR MORE IN-DEPTH INFORMATION AND RESOURCES ON THESE TOPICS!