



# The TRiO Times



## Student Support Services

### *Congratulations Graduates!*

The heartiest of congratulations goes out to all of our TRiO-SSS students that have or will graduate during the 07-08 academic year! All of your hard work and dedication has paid off. Whether you will continue your education and transfer to earn a bachelor's degree or join the work force right away, your TRiO-SSS staff wishes you the best of luck in your future endeavors. Our 07-08 graduates are:

<i>Kerry Ballard</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Jonathan Bowen</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Darius Brents</i>	<i>Associate in General Studies</i>
<i>Brooke Brewton</i>	<i>AAS Social Work Technician</i>
<i>Kasarus Brown</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Ryan Buchinger</i>	<i>Associate in Science</i>
<i>Michelle Butler</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Christene Calhoun</i>	<i>AAS General Business</i>
<i>Vanessa Carter</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Aubrey Dismuke</i>	<i>AAS General Business</i>
<i>LaMarr Drake</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Heather Edwards</i>	<i>AAS Early Childhood Development</i>
<i>Shawn Elswick</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Jodie Gidcumb</i>	<i>Associate in Arts &amp; General Studies</i>
<i>Lawanna Gillespie</i>	<i>AAS Social Work Technician</i>
<i>Gale Harris</i>	<i>AAS General Business</i>
<i>Jonathan Harris</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Aron Henderson</i>	<i>Associate in General Studies &amp; Science</i>
<i>Thomas Kennedy</i>	<i>Associate in General Studies</i>
<i>Summer McGee</i>	<i>AAS Physical Therapist Assistant</i>
<i>William O'Keefe</i>	<i>Associate in Science &amp; Arts</i>
<i>Meggan Overstreet</i>	<i>AAS Administrative Assistant</i>
<i>Justin Pratt</i>	<i>Associate in Science</i>
<i>Alia Sanders</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Ashley Seymour</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Jeremie Simmons</i>	<i>AAS Business Management</i>
<i>Kim Snoddy</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Carl Thomas</i>	<i>Associate in General Studies</i>
<i>Gail Turland</i>	<i>Associate in Arts</i>
<i>Garland Walker</i>	<i>AAS Respiratory Therapy</i>
<i>Jessica Wiese</i>	<i>AAS Business Management</i>

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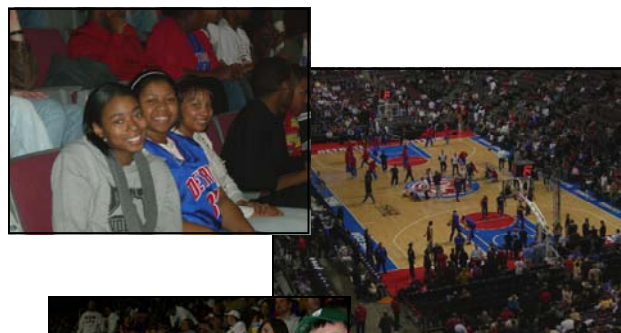
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# Whew! We've been busy!

Here is a recap of the cultural enrichment activities and university visits that SSS members had the opportunity to experience during winter semester. Remember, all TRiO-SSS activities are FREE to participants! Check your monthly calendars for upcoming events and join us!



SSS members enjoy a Pistons game at the Palace of Auburn Hills. It was a real nail-biter; the Pistons beat the Lakers 90 - 89!



SSS members volunteered at the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan on February 23rd to celebrate National TRiO Day. We moved 5000 lbs. of food in just three hours!



Members enjoyed the Learning Center Luau held during mid-term week to help our students de-stress. Free food, games, and prizes - what could be more relaxing?



Above: SSS students tour the UM-Flint campus. The tour included information on the new student housing due to open this fall.




Left: Members tour the campus of Eastern Michigan University. The tour included financial aid and transfer student presentations.



Left: Students tour the beautiful campus of Saginaw Valley State University. We had an Admissions presentation and experienced lunch on campus from the RFOC (Real Food on Campus.)

# Upcoming Events....



Don't forget Coordinator Chat!  
 Earn 20 points when you come in on a Chat day. Whenever you see this picture on the calendar, that's a Chat day!



By now you should have received an invitation to the annual TRiO-SSS Graduate and Academic Achievement Banquet. This year our banquet will be held Friday, May 2nd in the newly renovated MCC Event Center from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Come and enjoy dinner and entertainment as we honor our graduates and those students that have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher at the end of fall semester. All SSS members are invited!

If you have not received an invitation, please call Liza at 232 4696.

## Student Highlights



Congratulations to SSS members **Darius Brents**, **Thomas Kennedy**, **Jeremie Simmons**, **Lamarr Drake**, **Alvin Pegues**, and **Jacquez Williams** and the rest of the Mott Bears Men's Basketball team for winning the NJCAA National Championship! This is the second year in a row that the men's team has won this title.

### A's and B's Jar Winners for Winter Semester

February - Ryan Buchinger  
 March - Beanka Mims

*Congratulations to both winners!*



*"Long before Dorothy dropped in, two other girls meet in the Land of Oz. One, born with emerald green skin, is smart, fiery and misunderstood. The other is beautiful, ambitious and very popular. How these two unlikely friends end up as the Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good Witch makes for the most spellbinding new musical in years."*

-wickedthemusical.com

## Join us in Chicago for "Wicked" The Musical!

Wednesday, June 18th

SSS will be taking a one-day trip to Chicago to see the musical "Wicked" and shop on the Magnificent Mile! This all-inclusive trip is open to the first 12 students who:

- ◆ Did not attend the Reward/Graduate trip to Orlando **and**
- ◆ Have earned at least 100 participation points or more

We will leave MCC at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 18th and return to MCC at approximately 1:00 a.m. Thursday, June 19th. Transportation, tickets to the play, and a boxed lunch are included.

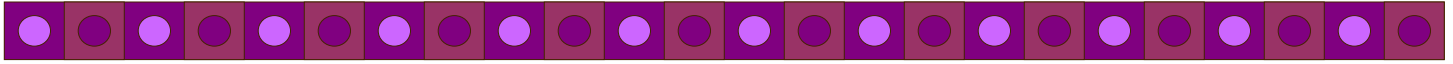
RSVP REQUIRED! Call 232 4696 by June 4th.

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## NEWS YOU CAN USE

### A's and B's Jar

There will be no A's and B's Jar drawings for the spring and summer semesters. The A's and B's Jar will be back beginning fall semester 08/09.

### Laptop Loan

The SSS Laptop Loan **will** be available for both spring and summer semesters. Stop by and see your Coordinators to borrow a laptop while you're here on campus.

### Participation Points

All Participation Points earned will be erased the end of the winter semester, May 2nd. You may start earning Participation Points for spring semester beginning Monday, May 5th. Be sure to redeem what you have earned before Friday, May 2nd. Don't let your hard work go to waste!

