Detroit S.T.R.I.V.E.S.
Successful Transitioning Resources and Initiatives
Virtual Education Series

May 11, 2023
What additional support efforts could have helped you reach your goals this year?

Please share your exciting summer vacation plans!
College Access - Post Graduation
Summer Programming

Junior Transition
College Fit Project & College Match tool
Junior Checklist Students & Counselor

Financial Aid
Detroit Promise
FAFSA for Underclassmen - U of M
Summer Programming
(Summer STEP and Summer NET)

Dr. Ashley Terry
Deputy Director
Detroit College Access Network
SUMMER STEP:
STUDENT TRANSITION AND ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

Are you a student in Wayne, Oakland, or Macomb County?

Get free one-on-one help with financial aid, budgeting, housing, transportation, food, and enrollment via video, phone, text, and email to help you reach your postgraduation goals.

SCAN HERE TO GET STARTED.

For questions, email emcpherson@detroitchamber.com or aterry@detroitcan.org.
Summer NET is designed to connect 300 students from Detroit directly to the colleges and universities they are attending to better prepare them for Fall 2023. This program will provide an opportunity for students to spend a full day on campus to get acclimated to their new learning environment.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
EMAIL: info@detroitpromise.com
SUBJECT LINE: SUMMER NET

- FREE bus transportation will be provided.
- Educational workshops
- Continental breakfast and lunch included.
- Learn about campus resources and support.
- Build relationships with academic coaches.
- Receive a $50.00 gift card
SUMMER NET

SUMMER N.E.T. (Navigating Education Transitions)

SUMMER NET IS DESIGNED TO CONNECT 50 STUDENTS FROM DETROIT DIRECTLY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-ANN ARBOR TO BETTER PREPARE THEM FOR THEIR ACADEMIC ENDEAVORS STARTING IN THE FALL OF 2023.

DATE: Thursday, June 1, 2023
TIME: 8:15AM-4:30PM

- Bus transportation will be provided to and from the college & university
- Educational workshops on True Grit & The First-Year College Experience
- Continental breakfast, lunch, and snacks will be served
- Learn more about campus resources and support systems
- Build relationships with academic coaches
- Students that attend will receive a $50.00 gift card

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Post Graduation Plan
Post Graduation Plans

Ensure every graduating student has a plan!

- Allows you to capture information and data for the class.
- Identifies potential melt students
- Reveals areas of support they need students need
- Helps determine your planning and programmatic efforts for next year.
Post Graduation Plans

Plans can help identify and support the following:

- top feeders/ program/ career interest
- Provide insight to students on info that may have been missed
- Shifting program initiatives for the new yr.
- Where to start tracking w/ upcoming class
Post Graduation Plans

Info to collect:
- Student info (e.g. name, email, mobile phone)
- Where did they apply
- School/program/job selected if any
- Steps needed to complete

Your input
- Contact numbers/site for school/program/job
- Alternative plan/Where to go if they haven’t completed
- Words of encouragement
Post Graduation Plans

How to capture data for post graduation plans:

- One-on-one advising appointments
- Exit interviews at Cap & Gown or diploma pick-ups
- Surveys completed by students
- Checklist submissions (eg. admitted letters, FAFSA completion, etc)
Setting the Tone Early
Underclassmen Checklist
Underclassmen Checklist

9th grade:

- Understanding the transcript and cumulative GPAs
- Post graduation pathway options/explanations
- Extracurricular activities available
Underclassmen Checklist

10th grade:

- Value of SAT and using prep tools to improve test scores
- Careers and Credentials needed to obtain careers (e.g. degrees, certifications, licenses)
- Extracurricular activities/building your resume
Underclassmen Checklist

11th grade:

- Review transcript and set goals for senior year.
- Develop plan for credit recovery
- Create College Board account
- Understand SAT score. Pick retake test date
- Develop College list by using Detroit College Match Tool
- Create FSAID/ begin understanding FAFSA application knowledge
College Match Tool

**Detroit College Match** helps Detroit students, their parents, and advisors take a data-informed approach when selecting the best college for them.

[Get Started]
## College Match Tool

### COLLEGE “FIT” PROJECT
WHAT SCHOOLS ARE THE RIGHT FIT FOR YOU!

Directions: Please use the fillable PDF to fill out this form on a computer or mobile device. When completed, save by choosing “Print” and then “save as PDF” on your computer or take a screenshot to keep a record of your answers.

### Step 1: Areas of Importance:
Please check the top 10 items that are important to you when selecting a school/program. Refer to the definition list for clarity.

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5 Minute Break
Detroit Promise

Christine Rogers & Nia Little
Detroit Promise

Christine Rogers
Eligibility Requirements

Two-Year Path- Community College Opportunities | Detroit Promise

• Live in Detroit and attend a high school in Detroit at least Junior & Senior year.

University Path- University Opportunities | Detroit Promise

• Live in Detroit and attend a high school in Detroit ALL 4 Years of high school.
• GPA/Exam Requirement – Vary by school
New Partner Schools!!!
THANK YOU!
We appreciate your support!
What student’s must do to secure their funding.
Early start to Application Season

Detroit Promise application is open for K - 8 parents & 9th – 12th students

3,517 Class of 2023 applied as of 5/07/2023!
Key Action Steps (Seniors)

- Register for the Detroit Promise
  - Go to Detroitpromise.com
  - Click apply and fill out form
- Complete your FAFSA.
- Apply to partner community colleges/universities.
- Submit verification documents required by Detroit Promise.

*Opens Jan 5th and Closes May 1st for University students.*

- Transcript (All students)
- College Acceptance (University Students)
- Test Scores (University Students)
Verification Process

**Funding Applied by College**
If approved, CELEBRATE because you secured your Detroit Promise funding! The college or university applies funding to cover necessary tuition & mandatory fees. Please contact your financial aid office for more information on when and how they apply the scholarship.

**Detroit Promise staff notifies student**
Promise staff will email you from info@detroitpromise.com to let you know if the college or university has approved or denied your Detroit Promise funding.

**Final review by College**
- **University**: verifies cumulative non-weighted GPA and final address check
- **Community College**: verifies final address check

**Detroit Promise staff will verify your uploaded files**
- **University**: Staff verifies 4 year Detroit residency/high school, GPA requirement for the chosen university and exam score of at least 1060 for MSU with GPA 3.0 - 3.29
- **Community College**: Staff verifies 2 year Detroit residency/high school

**Upload your files to your Detroit Promise profile at detroitpromise.com**
- **University**: Admission letter, transcript, & exam score if MSU and GPA is 3.0-3.29
- **Community College**: Transcript
## 2023 Application and Verification Numbers

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University Engagement
Scholarship Renewal

All students receiving university funding must meet the following requirements:

- Maintain a 2.5 GPA
- Take at least 12 credits every semester
- Meet SAP requirements
- Complete the FAFSA
Keeping Students Engaged

Throughout the year students have opportunities to connect with the Detroit Promise University Team.

- Detroit Promise on campus visits
- University Office Hours
- Alumni Events
- Summer Events
DPP/Community College
Community College Engagement

- 6 participating colleges
- Campus (Success) Coaches
- Social Work Interns
- Transfer options available
- Pathback
## Transfer Eligibility Requirements

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Key Action Steps (9th – 11th Grades)

- Apply for the Detroit Promise
  - Go to Detroitpromise.com
  - Click apply and fill out form
- SAT Prep (College Board, Khan Academy)
- Learn how to get and understand your transcript
- Look into our partner schools and see their requirements
  - Start attending virtual or in-person college tours
- Maintaining or improving your GPA
Admin Portal:

Website: https://detroitpromise.com/admin/high-school-admin/

- Accessing 9-12th grade data
  - Number of students application
  - College of interest
  - Student contact information
  - Verification Status
  - SAL Status
How to use your **Detroit Promise** data

**Verify** if your students have verified their email to access their account and begin the verification process.

**Verify** how many of your students are registered 9th – 12th.

**Verify** that your students have submitted all **CORRECT** verification documents.
How students can connect

- Registering for Detroit Promise! We will email and text students.
- Follow us on Social media: @DetroitPromise.

*We respond to comments and

Email us at info@detroitpromise.com
Thank You!
Preparing Underclassmen for the FAFSA

Ellington Poston
Financial Aid Administrator
University of Michigan Ann Arbor
Financial Aid 101
Discussion Topics

1. What is Financial Aid?
2. Types of financial aid
3. Applying for financial aid
4. Next steps
5. Financial aid eligibility
6. College costs and planning tools
7. Tips for students and families
What is Financial Aid?

Financial Aid is money used to pay for college.
What is Financial Aid?

Financial aid IS NOT

- Credit cards
- Shopping
- Buying a car
- Partying
- Spring break/vacation
Types of Financial Aid

1. Grants
   - Free money.

2. Loans
   - Borrowed money.

3. Work-study
   - Earned money.

Grants, some scholarships, work-study and a subsidized federal loan are need-based.

An un-subsidized loan is NOT need-based, and students can receive one as long as there is a financial need and...
Types of Financial Aid

Free money

Grants
- Need-based
- Must complete FAFSA to apply
- May need to complete other applications such as CSS Profile or other institutional forms

Scholarships
- Earned in some way: grades, skills, service, etc.
- Awarded by a variety of organizations
- May, or may not, require FAFSA and/or other applications
Types of Financial Aid

Understand your scholarship

▪ One-time vs. renewable
  ▪ If renewable, are there requirements?
  ▪ GPA
  ▪ Major specific
  ▪ Full-time

▪ Tuition-specific scholarship

▪ What’s the value of the scholarship?
  ▪ Full ride vs. partial (will you have remaining costs?)
Types of Financial Aid

Watch for Scholarship scams

- Scholarships with application fee
- No contact telephone number
- Unsolicited scholarship opportunity
- Hype or pressure to participate
- Scholarship services that guarantee success
- Social Security number, checking/savings account info requested

More information:

- studentaid.gov/resources/scams
Types of Financial Aid

Borrowed money: Loans

- Borrow only what is REALLY needed
- Repayment begins after graduation
- Federal Loans from the FAFSA
  - **Subsidized Direct Loans**: student is borrower, interest does not accrue until repayment
  - **Unsubsidized Direct Loans**: student is borrower, interest accrues day 1
Types of Financial Aid

Earned money: Work-Study

- Get paid for your work
- Receive bi-monthly paychecks
- Have flexible work schedules
- Consider on- or off-campus opportunities
- Students not awarded Work-Study with their financial aid notice may apply for other jobs on- and off-campus
Types of Financial Aid

Go Blue Guarantee

- Free U-M tuition for four years
- Must qualify for in-state tuition and be earning first bachelor's degree
- Family income of $65,000 or less and assets below $50,000
- Must apply and be eligible for financial aid
- More information: goblueguarantee.umich.edu/ann-arbor

Eligibility:
finaid.umich.edu/go-blue-guarantee
Applying for Financial Aid
Completing the FAFSA:
Where

- Complete the FAFSA
  - It’s free, easy, fast, and more people qualify for student aid than you think.
Completing the FAFSA: Why

Why should you complete the FAFSA?

- Expected Family Contribution (EFC) determines your aid eligibility
- Gain access to multiple sources of aid
- Can list up to 10 schools on your application
Completing the FAFSA: Who

FAFSA

- Each student
  - Parent data can be transferred for multiple children
- Parent(s)
  - Both parents (biological, step-parent, adoptive) if married
  - Only one parent if single, divorced, or separated (the one the student lives with)
  - If both parents live in the same house and are not married both incomes go on FAFSA
Dependent vs Independent

FAFSA: Dependent vs. Independent

- **Dependent** (most students are dependent)
  - Requires parental information
- **Independent** (No parental information required if):
  - Married
  - At least 24 years old
  - At any time since you turned age 13, both your parents were deceased, you were in foster care, or you were a Ward of the Court/State
  - Have a dependent that you provide more than 50% support for
  - Homeless

(This is a sample of questions on the FAFSA that determine independent student status)
Completing the FAFSA: How

FSA ID

- Student AND one parent
- [fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov)
- Allows student and parent to sign FAFSA electronically
- Each needs individual FSA ID profile
Completing the FAFSA: How

Important documents

- IRS Data Retrieval (preferred) or 2021 Tax Return
- Bank/asset statements
- Child support (paid or received)
- Other untaxed income received except Social Security
- Both student and parent(s) need this information
Completing the FAFSA: What

FAFSA: What Should I Expect?

- Multiple sections are for student information
- Two sections are for parent information
- "As of today" language
Completing the FAFSA: When

Two Applications:
- FAFSA: [studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa](studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)
  - Free application
  - State, federal, and private financial aid resources
- CSS Profile: [cssprofile.org/](cssprofile.org/)
  - $25 application fee or built-in fee waiver
  - Need-based U-M grants and scholarships
- Both available Oct. 1
- Priority deadline: March 31
- Suggested Filing Date: Dec. 15
Applying for Financial Aid

FAFSA: frequent errors

- Social Security numbers
- Divorced/remarried parental information
- Student/parent income
- Untaxed income
- Real estate & investment net worth
- U.S. income taxes paid
- Household size
- Number of household members in college
- Work-Study preferences
Next Steps

What’s next?

▪ Make necessary FAFSA corrections
▪ Complete institutional forms
  ▪ CSS Profile
  ▪ Scholarship applications
  ▪ Verification
▪ Additional documentation (Federal Tax Transcripts, W-2s)
▪ Estimated Aid Notices will be sent in early 2023
  ▪ Based on initial calculated need
  ▪ Not binding, simply an offer
Next Steps

Reporting Special Circumstances

- Change in employment, death, marital status, one-time significant benefit, large out-of-pocket medical expenses, etc.
- Cannot report on FAFSA
- Send explanation to each financial aid office
- All special circumstances will be reviewed, and a FINAL decision will be made*

*Cannot appeal this decision to Department of Education
College costs and planning tools

Direct Costs

- Paid DIRECTLY to the university (billed twice per year):
  - Tuition & fees
  - Housing & meals

Indirect Costs

- Paid to others and can include:
  - Books & supplies
  - Personal & miscellaneous items
  - Transportation
College costs and planning tools

**U-M Cost of Attendance**

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*This is the maximum amount of financial aid you can receive.*
Financial aid eligibility

Expected Family Contribution
- Calculated using a federal formula with information from the FAFSA
- Parent contribution and student contribution
- Amount a family can reasonably expect to contribute
- The same at every institution
## Financial aid eligibility

### Calculating Financial Need

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College costs and planning tools

Net Price Calculator
- A free, interactive tool that provides estimated net cost
- Uses institutional data
- Calculates individual situations
  - [npc.collegeboard.org/app/umich](npc.collegeboard.org/app/umich)

Federal Student Aid Estimator
- Free federal tool
- Early estimate for federal student aid
- Offers options to pay for college
  - [studentaid.gov/understand-aid/estimate](studentaid.gov/understand-aid/estimate)
College costs and planning tools

Planning tools:
- finaid.umich.edu/tools-resources/planning-tools-calculators#comparing-financial-aid-offers

College Scorecard compares colleges from around the country
- collegescorecard.ed.gov
Important Dates

When should you complete the FAFSA?

- The FAFSA is available on **Oct. 1** using earlier tax information
- State of Michigan deadline is **March 1**
- U-M deadline is **March 31** (we recommend completing applications by March 1 in case additional documentation is needed).
- FAFSA is an annual application. File it every year!
- If you apply by the suggested filing date of **Dec. 15**, and are admitted
Tips for Students & Families

Consider payment plans
Know before you Go Blue!
Satisfactory Academic Progress
Apply for scholarships every year
Meet all deadlines
  - Check & respond to your email
  - Check & respond promptly to request

Problems/issues
Talk to the experts on campus
Thank You

Office of Financial Aid
515 E. Jefferson St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1316
finaid.umich.edu

Outreach Unit
ofa-outreach@umich.edu

The information presented is based on current circumstances and is subject to change. Please refer to specific schools/institutions for additional information.
DCAN Lunch & Learn Celebration

Join us for our final Lunch and Learn for the 2022-23 school year!

DCAN wants to celebrate all of the College Access professional who have worked extremely hard this school year!

Our celebration will include: Awards and acknowledgement, engaging activities, food, and networking and more!

Location: Durfee Innovation Society

THURSDAY JUNE 8, 2023
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Durfee Innovation Society
2470 Collingwood St, Detroit MI 48206

REGISTER:

CONTACT:
DANIEL VALENTINE, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM MANAGER
AT DVALENTINE@DETROITCAN.ORG
Complete Detroit STRIVES Post Survey
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