



WHAT IS EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH?

Educational Talent Search is a program designed to help selected students finish their education. Its purpose is to assist 6th-12th grade students in persisting through high school, graduating, and enrolling in college or vocational/training schools after high school. Secondary or post-secondary school dropouts are also assisted in re-enrolling in school, or in obtaining a GED.

Services provided by Educational Talent Search are "Free." Trained staff members visit area schools to provide services and activities, personal development activities, academic counseling, and encouragement.

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

1. **Career Exploration Activities**
 - Career Information
 - Career Assessments
 - Career Fairs
2. **Academic Counseling/Advising**
 - Study Skills
 - Test-Taking Skills
 - Goal Setting/Decision Making Skills
 - Course and Degree Selection
3. **Financial Aid Workshops for Students and/or Parents**
 - Grant/Loan Information
 - Scholarship Information
 - Assistance in Completing Pell Grant, Free Application for Federal Student Aid, Loan, Scholarship Applications
4. **College Enrollment Assistance**
 - ACT Workshops
 - College Visits
 - Interviews
 - College Admission
5. **Personal Development Activities**
 - Motivational Programs
 - Conflict Resolution
 - Stress/Time Management
 - Coping Skills/Peer Pressure
 - Resume Preparation/Job Skills
 - Critical Thinking Skills

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

The following criteria serve as a guideline for determining a student's eligibility for the Educational Talent Search Program:

- Citizen or permanent resident of the U.S.
- Family income after taxes falls within the Federal Income Guidelines. Applicants must furnish family income information.
- Neither parent/legal guardian obtained a 4-year college degree before the applicants 18th birthday.
- Academic potential.
- At least 11 years of age.
- Needs one or more of project services.

DO YOU KNOW A STUDENT WHO WOULD BENEFIT FROM EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH?

Information may be obtained from the Educational Talent Search Office at the following address:

Educational Talent Search
Northwest-Shoals Community College
Tuscumbia Project
P.O. Box 2545
Muscle Shoals, AL 35662

1-800-645-8967, Ext. 5317
or (256) 331-5317

EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH HELPS YOU TO...

Prepare yourself to complete high school and enroll in a postsecondary program.

Learn about careers available to you through postsecondary education.

Apply for college and financial aid.

Complete your education if you have dropped out of high school or stopped attending college before completing your degree.

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NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

It is the official policy of the Alabama Department of Postsecondary Education and Northwest-Shoals Community College that no person in Alabama shall on the grounds of race, color, disability, sex, religion, creed, national origin, or age, be excluded from participation, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program, activity, or employment. Northwest-Shoals Community College complies with nondiscriminatory regulations under Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX Education Amendment of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

Women and members of minority groups are encouraged to participate in its activities.

Northwest-Shoals Community College is committed to a Drug Free Learning and Work Environment through Education, Intervention, and Enforcement.

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