

TCCL Plan4College Newsletter

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Thank you for subscribing to our Plan4College E-newsletter, a supplement to our Plan4College Centers at [Martin Regional Library](#) and [Rudisill Regional Library](#).

Plan4College Class

Saturday, Nov 7 • 10:00—11:30 a.m.

@ Rudisill Regional Library • 1520 N. Hartford

Preregistration is required. Please call 596-7280 to register.

Students today need to start early when making a plan for college. Discover the best resources available to Oklahoma students online and in print to help you through the college planning process. For teens and parents.

Fall Financial Aid Workshops

FAFSA Workshop for American Indian Students

Saturday, Nov. 7 • 10:00—11:30 a.m.

@Maxwell Park Library • 1313 N. Canton

Preregistration is required. Please call 669-6055 to register.

Designed for high school juniors and seniors, this workshop offers step-by-step guidance through the FAFSA application, which is required for any student who would like to receive financial aid. Shonday Harmon of OSU-Tulsa will walk students through the application, and offer advice that will help students understand FAFSA and college financial aid.

Fourth Annual Latino College Fair

Tuesday, Nov. 10 • 6:30—8:30 p.m.

@ Martin Regional Library • 2601 S. Garnett Rd.

Visit with representatives from area universities, colleges and vocational schools, and learn about library resources on colleges and financial aid. The Hispanic Scholarship Foundation's Gates Millennium Scholars Program will participate. Presentations are in Spanish; information available in English and Spanish. For adults and teens. Sponsored by the Hispanic Resource Center, YWCA Multicultural Service Center, Paseo de la Salud and GearUp.

College Financial Aid: Fund the Future

Thursday, Nov. 12 • 7:00—8:30 p.m.

@ Central Library • 400 Civic Center

Get-Ready-For-College Calendar

8th Grade

- Enroll in [Oklahoma's Promise - OHLAP](#) if your parents earn \$50,000 or less per year. In addition to meeting the family income requirement, eligible students must attend classes regularly, complete homework assignments and attain at least a 2.5 (C+) grade point average overall and in 17 specified courses. Students must also stay away from drugs and alcohol and refrain from delinquent acts.
- Take the EPAS EXPLORE test to evaluate your skills in English, math, reading and science reasoning, and to help you begin the process of career and educational exploration.
- Decide which high school or Advanced Placement courses will better prepare you for college. AP courses allow you to take college-level courses while in high school. Once you complete the course, you must pass an AP exam to receive college credit.

9th Grade

- Sign up for [Oklahoma's Promise - OHLAP](#) if you did not apply during the eighth grade.
- Find out about college entrance requirements.
- Start your plan for college by taking courses that prepare you for college-level course work.

10th Grade

- Last opportunity to enroll in [Oklahoma's Promise - OHLAP](#).
- Take core courses required for college entry.
- Take the EPAS PLAN test to evaluate your skills in English, math, reading and science reasoning, and to help you review your progress toward your educational and career goals.
- Investigate your options of taking AP courses as well as participating in concurrent enrollment, which allows juniors and seniors to enroll in college courses if they meet certain requirements..
- Sign up for a practice exam to prepare for the PSAT/NMSQT, which will determine your eligibility for a National Merit Scholarship.
- Make a list of reasons why you like different colleges an universities - degree programs, location, cost.

11th Grade

- Take core courses required for college entry.

Whether you're wondering how best to prepare for your toddler's college education, considering a return to school yourself or have a student somewhere in between, this workshop is for you. Join a research librarian, dedicated high school counselor and college financial-aid representative for this informative discussion. For adults and teens.

New Addition!

Did you just sign up for the Plan4College newsletter?

Visit us online at
www.tulsalibrary.org/plan4college
to access our newsletter archives.

This new addition places numerous resources for the college-bound just a click away.

- Explore opportunities to earn college credit while in high school. See [Earn College Credit](#).
- Take the PSAT/NMSQT and the ACT or SAT exams.
- Research financial aid options and deadlines for applying.
- Attend a [College Day/Night event](#) in your area.
- Narrow your choice of colleges and universities you would like to attend and visit the campuses.

12th Grade

- Take core courses required for college entry.
- Explore opportunities to earn college credit while in high school. See [Earn College Credit](#).
- Take the ACT or SAT several times to improve your score. Colleges use these scores to make admissions, guidance and placement decisions.
- Complete the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA) as soon as possible after Jan. 1.
- Research financial aid options and deadlines for applying. See [Financial Aid](#).
- Decide which college you would like to attend and submit admission and financial aid applications.

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