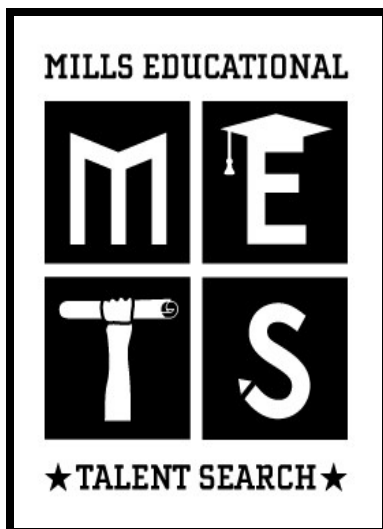


Spring 2012 Newsletter



Mills college Educational Talent Search

We strive to empower and support students with information and tools to become independent learners and successful in their pursuit and completion of a post-secondary education program.

Jan. 27 College Tour to National Hispanic University & San Jose State University



Happy New Year METS Students and Families!

I hope that you are excited about making 2012 your most productive year ever! We are eager to assist you in anyway that we can in preparing you for college. Please make it your priority staying in contact with the METS staff so you receive all the assistance you need.

Seniors, it is critical that you pay close attention to deadlines since there are many upcoming deadlines. The UC and the CSU applications are completed therefore your current focus should be completing your private college applications, scholarships, and the financial aid application process.

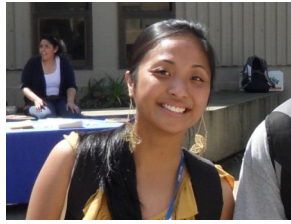
METS students don't wait to take action, act today! I hope you will join us for the remaining activities we have planned for the academic year. Our existence as a program is tied to your success. The METS staff is committed to providing you with information and tools to help you succeed in your pursuit and completion of a post-secondary education. It is up to you as a METS student to take advantage of all the services and resources available just for you!

Parents, please help us be successful with your children by providing encouragement, support and insist they participate in our events and take advantage of our services. Join us to ensure the success of your child's future!

We are scheduling more college tours, workshops and events for this semester so please pay close attention to the calendar section of this newsletter.

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WATCH for METS Advisors at Your Schools!

METS Advisors will be at selected schools to meet with students to review transcripts, create individual academic plans, distribute field trip permission slips, plus answer any questions you have about college or upcoming METS events. We will be at the schools on a weekly basis, look for your advisor and pay them a visit!

METS TARGET SCHOOL SCHEDULE SPRING 2012					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CASTLEMONT COMMUNITY		Ms. PAULA 10am-12pm		Ms. PAULA/ Ms. MONIQUE 10pm-4pm	
COLISEUM COLLEGE PREP					Ms. BARBIE 10:00am-3:30pm
FREMONT FEDERATION HS				Ms. BARBIE 10am-4pm	
FAR WEST HS			Ms. PAULA 10am-2pm		
LPS COLLEGE PARK		Ms. PAULA 12pm-4pm			
LIFE ACADEMY		Ms. BARBIE 12-4pm			

Your school not listed as a Target School?

That's okay! You can still meet with a METS advisor at the Mills College TRIO Office by making an appointment— call 510-430-2177. METS participants **are required** to meet with an advisor at least once during the academic year. Let us help YOU plan your path to college!

TUTORING AT MILLS COLLEGE!

Grades just came out for fall semester, so if you know that you are struggling to get that A or B in your class and you need help, join us for tutoring! Tutoring is provided by Mills College students, and will be held at the Mills TRIO Office every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 4:30-6:30pm.

**Did your address, phone, email, or school change?
 If so, please call 430-2177 to give us your updated information.**

Make sure to give us your correct email and home addresses so you can receive important information!



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CALENDAR

February- May

Please join us at our upcoming events! **R&VP (reply please) if you are planning to attend by calling the Mills TRIO office at (510) 430-2177.**

We send event reminders and field trip permission slips to your email. If you haven't been getting emails from us, please contact pfnacier@mills.edu. Thank you.

Date	Event	Open to:	Description
Sat 2/25	Fieldtrip to Cal State East Bay Latino/African American Educational Summit	All METS families	8:00am-1:30pm. Meet at Mills College. Workshops (in English & Spanish) on financial aid, FAFSA Cash 4 College, getting prepared for college, college fair, campus tour, on-the-spot admissions, and more.
Mon 2/27	Fieldtrip to TRIO Student Leadership Conference in Sacramento	9 th -12 th grade	Join TRiO programs from Northern California for a day of celebration on the steps of the state capitol. YOU can be a part of history by making yourself heard. Advocate for our TRiO programs and TRiO community! Gain exposure to the legislative process and how to be civically engaged!
Tues 2/29	Last Chance FAFSA Night (Monthly Seminar)	Seniors & Parents	3:30pm-5:30pm @ the Mills TRIO Office. Here's your last chance to get help on your FAFSA! FAFSA is due by MARCH 2.
Sat 3/17	Black & Proud To Be College Bound Conference	9 th -12 th grade boys	METS young men-join other high school males as they attend workshops on technology, SAT/ACT, A-G requirements, & much more! Raffle & giveaways too!
Sun 3/18	Princess Project Boutique	11 th -12 th grade girls	11:30am-3:30pm. Meet at Fruitvale BART. Get a free prom dress & accessory at the Princess Project Boutique!
Tues 3/20	Fieldtrip to UC Berkeley Ethnic Studies Conference	9 th -11 th grade	Join 1000 high school students as they learn about & celebrate the history of Ethnic Studies in different workshops at UC Berkeley.
Sat 3/24	UC Berkeley Nanotech Conference (Monthly Seminar)	6 th -12 th grade	Meet other TRIO students in the Bay Area as you learn about modern technology & attend interesting & interactive workshops!
Fri 3/30	Fieldtrip to Tech Museum	6 th -8 th grade	Fieldtrip for our middle school students to the Tech Museum in San Jose.
Thurs 4/5	UC Berkeley Shadow Day	9 th -12 th grade	Learn what it's like to be a college student for a day! Visit college classes, libraries, Greek houses, residence halls!
Fri 4/20	Fieldtrip to Cal State East Bay College Fair	All METS families	Speak to different college representatives & attend workshops that will discuss different topics relating to college and financial aid.
Sat 4/21	Oakland A's Fundraiser	All METS families	Help METS to fundraise so we can provide more programs for our students! Please see flyer for more details.
Wed 4/25	College Student Panel & Mills College Campus Tour (Monthly Seminar)	9 th -12 th grade	Campus tour & panel presentation. Learn more about what it's like to be a first-generation college student and the small private college for girls that is located right here in Oakland.
Weds 4/18-5/9	SAT Preparation Class	10 th -11 th grade	Wednesdays 4pm-6pm at the Mills College TRIO office. Learn tips and strategies to succeed on your SAT's! Students must commit to attend all sessions. Info/registration night 4/4.
Sat 5/19	CSU, East Bay Asian American & Pacific Islander Educational Summit	All METS families	8:00am-1:30pm. Workshops on financial aid, FAFSA Cash 4 College, getting prepared for college, college fair, campus tour, and more.
Fri 5/25	Monthly College Tour	9 th -12 th grade	College tour for high school students. More information is to be determined.
May TBD	Community College Overview & Campus Tour (Monthly Seminar)	Community College Eligible Seniors	Community college presentation & tour for seniors. More information is to be determined.