Sophomore Students Visit Notre Dame

Each year, ETS sophomores have the opportunity to visit a college outside Iowa. This year, students visited Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. Students heard from Admissions Representatives and Notre Dame students, took a tour of campus, and ate in the residence dining hall. After touring Notre Dame, we headed to Chicago and toured the Willis Tower, ate Chicago style pizza, and watched Anything Goes at the famous Cadillac Theater. The next day we visited the Field Museum and headed home. Thirty six students attended the sophomore trip this year.

Congrats to ETS Scholarship Winners!

ETS is a TRIO Program and part of an organization called Iowa TRIO. Each year, Iowa TRIO awards six TRIO students $500 towards their college education and one student receives $1000. This year, three Central College ETS students received scholarships from Iowa TRIO.

Aaron Hosman, East High School, received $500. Aaron plans to attend the University of Iowa and study journalism.

Breanna Severin, Saydel High School, received $500. Breanna plans to attend DMACC for two years and then transfer to Drake University to study pharmacy.

Taylor Crawford, Oskaloosa High School, received $1,000. Taylor plans to attend Simpson College where she will study education and play basketball.

Iowa Private College Week is August 5-9.

This is a great chance to visit the Private colleges you have been considering. Go to www.thinkindependently.com to register!
Freshmen Retreat

Twenty-seven freshmen ETS students attended the Freshmen Retreat in Pella, Iowa April 18-19. Students came to Pella after school on Thursday and participated in a number of leadership and team-building activities. They had dinner, bowled, and spent some time at the hotel swimming and playing games. Friday morning the students were paired with a Central College student and had the opportunity to shadow them to class and around campus for a couple hours. After lunch in the Central College Dining Hall, students assisted with a service activity and headed home. Freshmen Retreat is a great way for ETS students from all schools to spend time together and get to know each other!

Saydel Student Advocates for TRIO

Did you know you are a member of a TRIO Program? Did you know that there are TRIO Programs all over the United States, even in Puerto Rico? Did you know there are seven TRIO Programs, one of which is ETS? It is important we understand we are part of a bigger picture, TRIO, and that we advocate for the success of our programs. MaKayla Spracher from Saydel High School helped to do just that. On Wednesday, April 17, MaKayla visited the Capitol in Des Moines and talked to Representatives and Senators about TRIO and how much she enjoys being part of the ETS Program. If you would like to get involved in advocating for TRIO Programs, talk to your ETS Coordinator!

From Middle School to High School!

The ETS program often notices that students stop coming to meetings when they begin 9th grade. High School ETS meetings are just as important as meetings in Middle School. We offer a lot of great information about the classes you should be taking, scholarships, the ACT, study skills, and so much more! If you are going to be a 9th grade student next year, be sure to find your ETS meeting room early in the year. And, watch your mail for information about meeting dates and times. Remember, you can always call the ETS office, 1-800-527-4047 if you have questions about meetings! Have a great summer and we look forward to seeing you in the fall!