

Welcome to 2020-21

We here at PSCCN wish our district and college partners the best, as we all work kick off this new academic year as best we can. We know under normal circumstances this is a stressful time of year for everyone, much more so now while navigating a shift to remote learning, and also juggling the social, political, and personal challenges that this year has brought us. We hope that we are able to embody the same resolve you have displayed over the past several months in order to better support you over this upcoming year. We look forward to continuing our partnership with you, and to ensuring the postsecondary success of all students in Pierce County.

Reopening Washington Schools 2020: Dual Credit and Postsecondary Planning Guidance

PSCCN supported the development of a great resource with partners at WSAC, OSPI, colleges and more. This guidance focuses on how school districts can plan and respond to the challenges of the 2020-21 school year, specific to closing equity gaps in dual credit access and success and postsecondary transitions. Click here for more information.

New College Knowledge Lessons

Family Workshops (Estimated Workshop Delivery Time: 60 to 90 minutes)									
ABOUT COLLEGE AND CAREER		GETTING READY	COLLEGE BOUND SCHOLARSHIP		G FOR COLLEGE	APPLYING FOR COLLEGE		ENROLLING IN COLLEGE	
	Student Lessons (Estimated Lesson Delivery Time: 20 to 30 minutes)								
Month	9th Grade	Lessons & Timeline	k Timeline 10th Grade Lessons & Timeline		11th Grade Lessons & Timeline		12th Grade Lessons & Timeline		
September	ALL ABOU	JT HIGH SCHOOL	ALL ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL	BOUT HIGH SCHOOL		ADDITIONAL LESSON (e.g. resume, credit, finances)		ALL ABOUT FAFSA & ALL ABOUT WASFA	
October		OF COLLEGE AND DUCATION	ND BENEFITS OF COLLEGE AND CAREER EDUCATION		TYPES OF COLLEGES & ALL ABOUT APPRENTICESHIPS		PARTS OF A COLLEGE APPLICATION		
November		COLLEGES & ALL PPRENTICESHIPS	YPES OF COLLEGES & ALL BOUT APPRENTICESHIPS		RESEARCHING COLLEGES		HOW TO APPLY		
December	BUILDING PROFILE	YOUR COLLEGE	BUILDING YOUR COLLEGE PROFILE		WAYS TO PAY FOR COLLEGE		SCHOLARSHIPS		

We are excited to share brand new College Knowledge: Student Lessons and Family Workshops, developed collaboratively by the College and Career Leadership Institute, Community Center for Education Results, UW GEAR UP Achievers, and UW Dream Project. For years, educators across South King County and the State have used the College Knowledge materials as part of their college access work and also expressed a need for accompanying lessons and workshops. These new materials complement each page and topic in the College Knowledge book and add engaging, interactive activities that educators can facilitate for students and families. In addition, a scope and sequence for the school year was created for College Knowledge lessons in our region and state that follows the suggested timelines in the College Knowledge book. We hope you will use these materials to support your critical work with students and families. Please make a copy, edit them, adapt them, share them, and make them your own. If you have questions, suggestions, or ideas related to the workshops please contact Marycarmen and Alejandra.

Students Opportunities



UW Gear Up

Gear Up is recruiting college students for remote tutoring positions for middle and high schools in South King County. Current College students and recent graduates are encouraged to apply. Click this <u>link to show interest</u>.

STARS Program at the University of Washington

STARS is a two-year program serving the College of Engineering and the Allen School of Computer Science and Engineering at the University of Washington. The program is designed to strengthen learning skills and academic preparation for students from underserved backgrounds through a specialized, rigorous curriculum. STARS is hosting a couple of webinars to share more information about the program, prospective students and their families are especially encouraged to signup for one of these webinars but all Educators (High School counselors and partners) are welcome. Click here for more information.

Postsecondary News



The College Money Crisis. Click here for more information

The latest crisis: Low-income students are dropping out of college this fall in alarming numbers. Click here for more information

Pullman's party problem: Skyrocketing COVID-19 cases could bring reckoning for WSU culture. Click here for more information

UW drops SAT, ACT requirement, extending coronavirus accommodation. Click here for more information

State colleges and universities are girding for a tough financial future after the coronavirus pandemic. Click here for more information

Some face-to-face classes for workforce training to resume at community colleges following coronavirus closures. Click here for more information

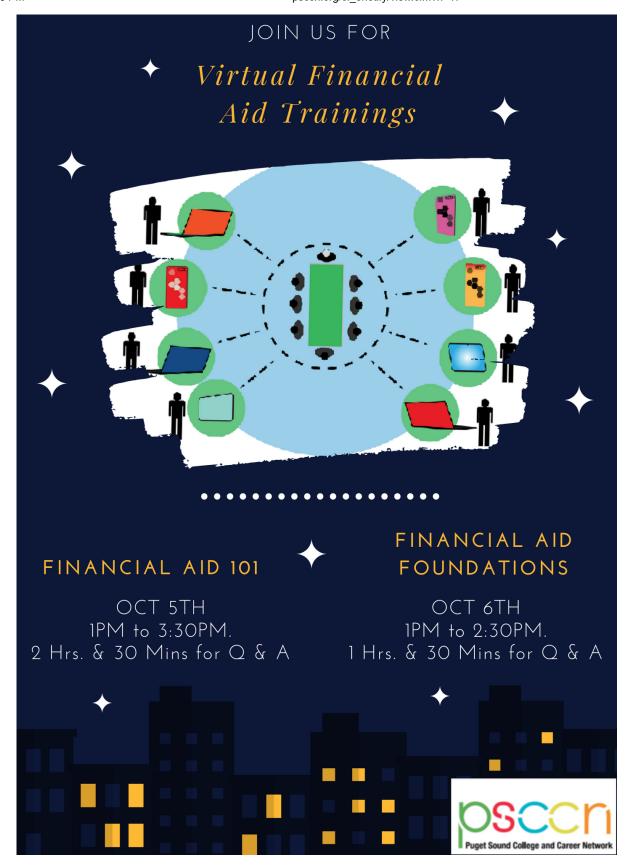
A COVID-19 outbreak on UW's Greek Row hints at how hard it may be to open colleges this fall. Click here for more information

Enrollment at regional colleges drops, leading to cuts. Click here for more information

Here's what in-person school in Washington will look like this fall, at a public and a private school. Click here for more information

Graduation Pathway Options Report. Click here for more information

Upcoming Events and Trainings



Financial Aid Zoom Trainings links below:

Financial Aid 101

Mon Oct 5th from 1pm to 3:30 - Click on this link

Phone: +12532158782, 82689729566

Financial Aid Foundations

Tue Oct 6th from 1pm to 2:30pm - Click on this link

Phone: +12532158782, 87005629009





DiscoverU provides tools and resources to support partners in providing engaging career and college exploration activities for students. This year a virtual <u>DiscoverU</u> will be held on October 12th through October 16th. There are a ton of ready to use resources and activities that you are welcome to adapt and use in your schools and organizations.

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