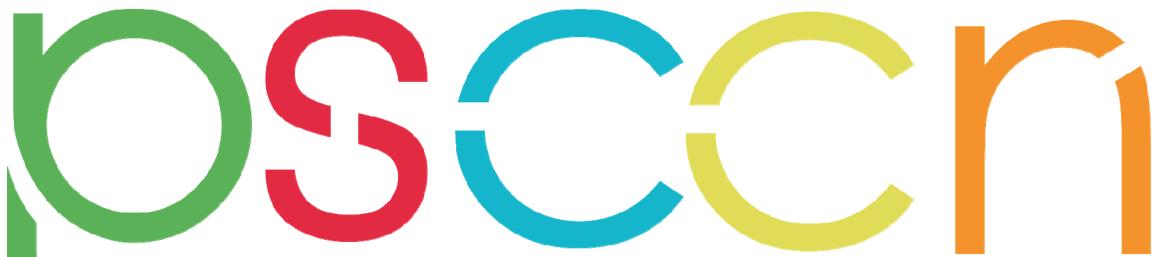


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Puget Sound College and Career Network

Financial Aid Season Opened, October 1st!



[FAFSA & WASFA](#) Financial aid season opened, October 1st! To support your work with students, we have partnered with WSAC to host Financial Aid 101 training.

At this training you will:

- Hear a brief overview of the financial aid timeline and process, including any updates to this year's application.
- Discuss commonly asked about student/family situations around the applications and verification.
- Receive financial aid completion and education resources that can be used with students and families, including activities and lessons, and
- Learn about regional implementation practices.

Intended audience:

This training is a good fit for current and new practitioners in schools and community organizations supporting students to complete financial aid applications or advising students and families about financial aid. Clock hours are available.

Join us Monday, November 7, 2022, 9:00 AM in Pacific Standard Time (US and Canada).

[Click on the link to Register.](#)

Partner Recognition



40 Under 40 Honoree

"I hope to continue to support more students to pursue their dreams and plan for their future after high school." - Assistant Director of College & Career Readiness, Sativah Jones

Congratulations to Sativah Jones, the Assistant Director of College & Career Readiness at Highline Public Schools. She has been named a 40 Under 40 honoree by the [Puget Sound Business Journal](#). This award recognizes influential young leaders whose work is driving the local economy and who are leading efforts in their industries. For more information about the award, [check out PSBJ's website](#).



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*2022 Sabbatical Leadership
Awardees*

Another shout-out goes to our partners Therese Williams, the Senior Program Director of Summer Search Seattle, and Ginger Kwan, the Executive Director of Open Doors for Multicultural Families, for being awarded the ED Sabbatical grant. The BIPOC ED Coalition awards the Sabbatical Leadership grant to support BIPOC leaders who need to take a step away from their work to take some much-needed rest. For more information and to check out the other awardees, [click this link](#).

Student Support and Resources



Financial Aid: The latest resources and information for people supporting students: Thank you to the Washington Student Achievement Council for their work to support students in completing their financial aid applications! This blog contains the latest information from WSAC about resources that adults can use to ensure students have the resources they need to complete the FAFSA or WASFA. [Click on the link](#) to learn more about Financial Aid Advising Day, workshops, and other resources.

Learning Heroes: Ready to Team Up: Parents and teachers agree that teamwork and trust are needed to build a relationship. Here are [five ideas](#) to get started. Ready WA partnered with Learning Heroes on their co-branded page for this campaign! To learn more, click on the [English](#) and [Spanish](#) links for more on this.

Hands-on coursework readies students for high-demand jobs: With more than 265,000 advanced manufacturing jobs available at more than 6,000 firms statewide, Washington needs a well-trained workforce. The Core Plus Aerospace high school curriculum – developed by Washington teachers and industry leaders – is one of many education-to-career pathways students can choose from to fit their interests and goals. Read more about one student's journey to a job at Boeing in [Partnership for Learning's latest article in the Seattle Times](#).

Council of Presidents: Guaranteed Admissions Program: The Guaranteed Admissions Program supports a college-going culture and guaranteed admission efforts at many public four-year colleges and universities in our state. GAP is focused on students in the 11th and 12th grades. Through data-sharing partnerships with Washington school districts and schools, the participating institutions engage with high school juniors and seniors to prepare them for college. They also help familiarize students with college admissions and how to apply through guaranteed admissions or, if not eligible, through the general admissions process. Learn more [here](#) and share with your networks using this [social media toolkit](#).

News from the Region



Nearly 783,000 residents of Washington state hold \$28.2 billion in outstanding federal student loans as of March. [According to an estimate the White House released](#) Tuesday, nearly 700,000 Washingtonians are eligible for President Joe Biden's student debt relief program, with the majority of them Pell Grant recipients. For more information, [Click on this link](#).

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid filing season starts Oct. 1 for the 2023-2024 school year. Experts recommend that students planning to attend college next year might want to fill out

the FAFSA application as close to the opening date as possible. [Click on the link](#) to read the rest of the article to find out why.

More than 50 librarians at the University of Washington didn't show up for work Thursday, [taking a stand against what they say are low wages](#) and tactics by the university to stall contract negotiations. To read more on why University of Washington librarians went on strike for the day, [Click on this link](#).

First lady Jill Biden meets students and instructors at Tacoma technical college, where she applauds female students for pursuing a career path in heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration (HVAC). To read more about Dr. Biden's visit, [Click on this link](#).

Teachers sharing real-life examples in the classrooms can have a lasting impact on their students. At Madrona Elementary School in SeaTac, Fatima Nuñez Ardon often tells her students stories about everyday people realizing their dreams. This includes the unusual path she took to become a teacher. To read the article on how WA community colleges are helping solve the state's teacher shortage, [Click on this link](#).

Student Voices:

Rishi Hazra, a rising senior at Skyline Highschool, writes about why the educational system is flawed, and what to do about it. [Click here](#) for more information.

Crow Delavan and Ndalo L.A. Mwamba tell what sex education topics are missing in Washington schools. [Click here](#) for more information.

How can schools do a better job of serving students? Eight students give their say. [Click here](#) for more information.

Upcoming Events and Trainings



Sign up for the Financial Aid 101

PSSCN will be hosting the first Financial Aid 101 training in partnership with Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) on November 7, 2022.

09:00 AM - 11:00 AM, PST

Click on the [link to Register](#).

Clock hours are available.

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