



Ohio TRiO

“Students, Alumni: Leaders of Tomorrow (S.A.L.T.)”

2009-2010

Dear Ohio TRiO Membership,

It is truly an honor to serve as your President. I am elated, but at the same time very humbled to serve the association in this capacity.

Our substance is generated from the students we serve. So without reservation, I chose for my theme, *“Students, Alumni: Leaders of Tomorrow (S.A.L.T.)”*. This theme marks our beginning, our present, and our future. It is imperative that we keep sight of our purpose as Ohio TRiO and the population we serve, to better prepare for the future.

Every goal I set for the year is attainable; however this will need to be a collective effort from the membership. Working together as a TEAM to accomplish every goal is essential.

Goals 2009-2010:

1. Continue collaborations with college access partner organizations through involvement in professional and student leadership conferences and political events.
2. Seek more student and alumni support for our *Annual Policy Day* and for the *Council for Opportunity in Education (COE) Policy Seminar*.
3. Continue fundraising that will include support from corporations, foundations, alumni, etc.
4. Develop the student and professional conference through membership and alumni support.
5. Strengthen our membership through professional development.
6. Expand how we utilize the new logo through branding and marketing for the association, which includes a new website and banner.
7. Begin the development of a strong *Ohio TRiO Alumni Database* and *Ohio TRiO Alumni Association*.
8. Outline and complete the strategic plan for 2010-2014.
9. Continue to increase the association’s membership.
10. Align the Ohio TRiO Constitution and Bylaws with the Mid-America Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (MAEOPP) Constitution and Bylaws.

It is my hope that with every decision we make, our focus never leaves the potential first-generation and low income families we serve.

If you are interested in serving on a committee, contact the committee chair and plan to attend the Ohio TRiO Leadership Development Meeting on Friday, December 4, 2009 at Ohio

Wesleyan University. In addition, visit our Ohio TRiO website (www.oaeopp.org) for committee chair's contact information. Review the attachments for upcoming meeting dates and events for the year, and a list of committee chairs. Please consider giving some of your time and energy in the association. Any feedback or suggestions are welcomed. I can be reached at 740-368-3217 (office) or e-mail dwcoe@owu.edu.

Just remember, your service is for our “Students, Alumni: Leaders of Tomorrow!”

Kind regards,

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