

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

The TRIO Talent Search Programs at Wichita State University are currently seeking middle school students to participate in its Summer Enrichment Program (SEP). Your student has been identified as a potential participant for the SEP. Only 25 students are selected for this nationally recognized program.

The program will be held May 27<sup>th</sup> – July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025. SEP will meet Monday-Thursday from 7:45am-2:15pm. Students may arrive **NO EARLIER than 7:30am**. Students will receive a healthy breakfast and lunch daily. Students must be picked up by a parent/guardian **NO LATER than 2:15pm**, unless students are attending a campus visit or another activity on Thursdays. You will be notified in advance if the pick-up time is later than 2:15pm.

Students will have rigorous instruction in mathematics, English, science, financial literacy/life skills, and theatre arts. Students will also experience campus visits, motivational and career speakers, along with other exciting activities.

Preference for SEP participation includes the following federal TRIO program requirements: 1) meet income guidelines (eligible for free lunches); 2) is a potential first-generation college student (neither parent has a four-year college degree); and 3) has an academic need for the SEP.

We ask that you take a moment to look over the information requested before filling out the enclosed application. Every question **must** be completed. Incomplete applications will delay the registration process and could prevent your student from being considered/accepted for the SEP.

Students will only be considered if they have **ALL** the paperwork completed and are able to fully participate each day. Selected students must be able to complete the entire SEP. There will be a **mandatory** parent and student information meeting held on **Saturday, May 3, 2025**. It is **required** that the **student and only one parent need to attend**. The meeting will begin promptly at **10:00am** and will be held at the Woolsey Hall, (Barton School of Business) **Auditorium A**, (3846 Perimeter Road, next to the YMCA). Pictures for student IDs will be taken at this meeting so students must be present and dressed appropriately.

In an effort to better serve the needs of your student and ensure that your child has the opportunity to fully participate in this fun and enjoyable experience, please note the following:

- The application must be completed and returned to the TRIO Talent Search staff or office with **all** supporting documentation, including a current report card, due by **April 18, 2025** (Wichita State University, TRIO Talent Search, 1845 Fairmount, Box 96 Wichita, KS 67260-0096). Applications may also be emailed.
- Do **NOT** complete the application if your student will miss any part of the SEP due to vacation, participation in other summer camps/programs, etc.

Once your student has been approved and selected, we will notify you to confirm. If you have any questions, please contact one of us at 316-978-6758 or [stephanie.haynes@wichita.edu](mailto:stephanie.haynes@wichita.edu); 316-978-3561 or [vivian.pham@wichita.edu](mailto:vivian.pham@wichita.edu). We look forward to hearing from you and working with your student this summer.

Sincerely,

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TRIO Talent Search

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TRIO Talent Search-South

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