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## Overview

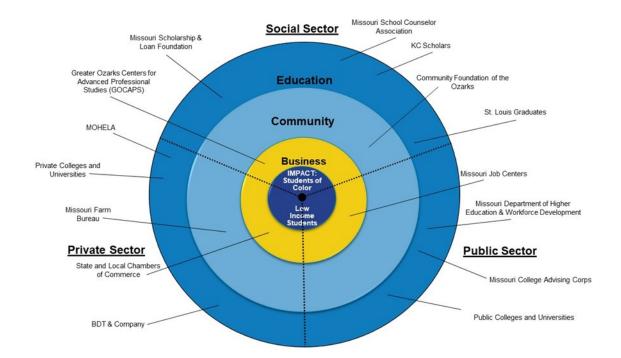
The purpose of the Resource Guide (Guide) is to provide one location to find statewide resources for students, professionals, and organizations. The Guide provides contact information for different entities who provide resources and services for career and college-going pathways. This is the first edition and includes over 200 entities and organizations that operate within 98 of Missouri's 114 counties and a single independent city.

The contact information in the Guide includes a brief description of the entity's resources and services with links to their website. The Guide is designed with a focus on private, public, and social sectors that intersect with education, business, and community engagement. The definitions below provide additional guidance for use of the Guide:

- Private Sector: Businesses, corporations, and other private entities.
- Public Sector: Government agencies, public institutions such as colleges/universities, libraries, school districts and others.
- Social Sector: Community-Based and Faith-Based organizations.

# How the Guide is Organized

MOCAN used a Stakeholder Assessment Chart to identify entities and organizations that provide resources and services for underserved and underrepresented students who may have less access to resources. The sample chart below reflects how the assessment tool was used to identify gaps for statewide coverage. MOCAN will continue to update the Guide on a regular basis. The following pages provide a detailed list of entities and organizations provided by region.

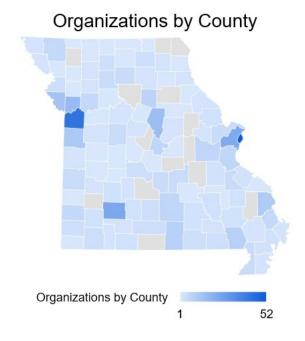




All entities and organizations have some stake in post-secondary access. However, the types of services provided differ. The services and resources provided are separated into seven groups:

- Advocacy
- · Careers, Jobs, and Internship
- Grants, Saving, and Scholarships
- Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)
- Institutions of Higher Education
- K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)
- Professional Development

The map below reflects the counties in the Guide and the color scheme highlights concentrations of resources and the number of organizations included in each county.



For ease of organization, resources are arranged into 10 regions in addition to a statewide list. If there are resources missing, please send information on the entity or organization to <a href="mailto:info@mocollegeaccess.org">info@mocollegeaccess.org</a> for consideration to add to future editions of the Guide.

# **Statewide**

# **Entities and Organizations by Group Type**

# **Advocacy**

# Independent Colleges and Universities of Missouri

Represent its members before the Missouri General Assembly and its Executive branch of government as well as the Congress and the Federal Executive offices.

Website: independent colleges and universities of mo.com

### Kids Win Missouri

Further child well-being by advancing the health, education, safety and development of Missouri children and their families, especially those who may not have access to resources and services to address poverty, abuse, neglect, racial inequities, or other factors.

Website: kidswinmissouri.org

## Missouri Association of Rural Education

The Missouri Association of Rural Education focuses on the needs and concerns unique to rural education, provides a forum for the discussion and resolution of those needs and concerns, and presents a unified voice to promote rural education in Missouri.

Website: moare.com

## Missouri Community College Association

The state's 12 community colleges come together to share ideas and advance common goals. Unlike states that have systems, Missouri's community colleges each have their own board of trustees who make decisions for the college. The association assists with times when statewide decisions need to be made.

Website: mccatoday.org

#### Missouri School Counselor Association

Supports professional school counselors' efforts to promote academic, career, and personal/social development for all students; provides professional development; and advocates for school counselors with legislators, parents, school boards, and other educational professionals.

Website: moschoolcounselor.org

# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

### Missouri Apprentice Connect

Missouri Apprentice Connect is an innovative, free service that is increasing the accessibility to apprenticeship opportunities in Missouri.

Website: moapprenticeconnect.com

### Missouri Connections

A comprehensive, online, career development and planning program that is provided free of charge to all Missouri citizens. This program supports the career development efforts of schools, community organizations, and adult job seeker programs. They help individuals discover and learn about their talents, skills, and interests and makes the connection between planning for continued education and the work world.

Website: missouriconnections.org



#### Missouri Intern Connect

Established by the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry in 2018, this service helps Missouri students gain valuable career experience while simultaneously giving employers better access to the talent they need for tomorrow's economy.

Website: mointernconnect.com

#### Missouri Veteran Benefits

Includes a list of benefits for veterans living in Missouri.

Website: military.com/benefits/veteran-state-benefits/missouri-state-veterans-benefits

#### SkillUP

Food Stamp (SNAP) recipients, ages 16-59, can receive assistance through a voluntary program to receive free assistance to develop job skills, job training, and employer connections to get a job or obtain a better job. Website: mydss.mo.gov/food-assistance/missouri-employment-training-program

## University of Missouri Extension

Our distinct land-grant mission is to improve lives, communities and economies by producing relevant, reliable and responsive educational strategies that enhance access to the resources and research of the University of Missouri.

Website: extension.missouri.edu

#### Vocational Rehabilitation

Individuals with a disability can receive specialized employment and training services to become employed. Counselors can determine eligibility for services. Once eligible, a counselor helps the individual develop a plan for rehabilitation.

Website: dese.mo.gov/adult-learning-rehabilitation-services/vocational-rehabilitation

# **Grants, Savings, and Scholarships**

#### Ava's Grace

Ava's Grace Scholarship Program was founded in March 2010, with the mission of providing scholarships for higher education to children who have an incarcerated parent or primary care giver.

Website: avasgrace.org

#### Education and Training Vouchers

The Educational and Training Voucher Program (ETV) gives the Children's Division the opportunity to provide educational and training funds to assist eligible youth interested in pursuing a higher education to reach their goals. The Missouri ETV program is administered by Foster Care to Success.

Website: <a href="mailto:dss.mo.gov/cd/older-youth-program/education">dss.mo.gov/cd/older-youth-program/education</a>

# Missouri 4-H Foundation

The Missouri 4-H Foundation provides scholarship opportunities to youth who have participated in their programs.

Website: <a href="mailto:extension2.missouri.edu/catalogsearch/result/?programs=Missouri+4">extension2.missouri.edu/catalogsearch/result/?programs=Missouri+4</a> H+Foundation&q=all&it=Resources

# Missouri Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development

Vision: Every Missourian empowered with the skills and education needed for success.

Website: dhewd.mo.gov

#### Missouri Farm Bureau

Advocating for farmers, the rural way of life, and all Missourians.

Website: mofb.org/scholarships-and-grants

#### Missouri FFA

FFA continues to help the next generation rise up to meet the challenges of feeding a growing population by helping its members to develop their own unique talents and explore their interests in a broad range of career pathways through their experiences in agricultural education.

Website: missouriffa.org

#### Missouri Reach

Eligible students in foster care can get tuition and fee waivers through an education program called Missouri Reach.

Website: dss.mo.gov/cd/older-youth-program/missouri-reach-program

# Missouri Saving for Tuition (MOST) Program

MOST is the state's 529 Plan that provides tax benefits to saving for college.

Website: missourimost.org

## Missouri Scholarship & Loan Foundation

Our mission is to provide innovative products and services to help Missouri students, particularly those with insufficient financial resources, to prepare for, enter and successfully complete higher education at Missouri institutions.

Website: moslf.org

#### Missouri Veteran Benefits

Includes a list of benefits for veterans living in Missouri.

Website: military.com/benefits/veteran-state-benefits/missouri-state-veterans-benefits

#### Scholarship Central

Scholarship Central was developed by St. Louis Graduates to be a community-wide effort to increase students' access to private college funding resources. We provide a web portal where Missouri students, and students who live in the Illinois counties that are part of Metropolitan St. Louis, can easily learn about and apply to regional scholarships and interest-free loan programs.

Website: myscholarshipcentral.org

## Show-Me Scholars & Tech Masters

The Show-Me Scholars & Tech Masters initiative is a community-based approach to raising academic achievement and career readiness among high school students. The program is built around a course of study that encourages students to take more demanding classes in high school.

Website: mochamber.com/showmescholars

# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

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Website: dhewd.mo.gov



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Website: extension.missouri.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

# Journey to College

Attending college calls for careful thought and planning. What kind of career do you want to pursue? What type of education will you need? How much will college cost, and how will you pay for it? What resources are there to help you succeed and find meaningful employment? Journey to College can help you find answers about earning a degree or certificate.

Website: <u>journeytocollege.mo.gov</u>

#### Missouri Connections

Missouri Connections is a comprehensive, online, career development and planning program that is provided free of charge to all Missouri citizens. Funded by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, this program supports the career development efforts of schools, community organizations, and adult job seeker programs. Missouri Connections helps individuals learn about their talents, skills, and interests and makes the connection between planning for continued education and the work world.

Website: missouriconnections.org

# Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education

DESE is primarily a service agency that works with educators, legislators, government agencies, community leaders and citizens to maintain a strong public education system. Through its statewide school-improvement activities and regulatory functions, DESE strives to assure that all citizens have access to high-quality public education.

Website: dese.mo.gov

### Missouri Youth Leadership Forum

The Missouri Youth Leadership Forum is a unique career leadership-training program for high school students with disabilities, ages 16 – 21. Youth delegates are selected from their local communities to cultivate leadership, citizenship, social, and career development skills at this summer program.

Website: disability.mo.gov/gcd/ylf.htm

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# **Professional Development**

### Missouri Association for College Admission Counseling

The Missouri Association of College Admission Counseling is a non-profit organization consisting of admissions professionals, high school counselors, and educational organizations. Our association strives to help students and their families through the college selection process, enabling them to make sound, informed decisions on their future.

Website: moacac.org

## Missouri Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers

The goal of the Association is to contribute to the advancement of higher education in Missouri to its fullest and broadest implications.

Website: moacrao.org

#### Missouri Association of School Administrators

Mission: Develop and support effective public school leaders who positively impact the lives of Missouri

students

Website: masaonline.org

## Missouri Association of Student Financial Aid Personnel

For more than 50 years, the Missouri Association of Student Financial Aid Personnel (MASFAP) has existed to serve students and financial aid administrators. Through collaboration, MASFAP continuously strives to improve post-secondary education funding and to make higher education affordable for all.

Website: masfap.org

# Missouri Association on Higher Education and Disability

Missouri AHEAD is a state-wide organization focused on strengthening the professionalism, expertise, and competency of those working with students with disabilities at institutions of higher education across the state of Missouri by providing professional development and networking opportunities.

Website: moahead.org

#### Missouri School Counselor Association

The Missouri School Counselor Association supports professional school counselors' efforts to promote academic, career, and personal/social development for all students; provides professional development; and advocates for school counselors with legislators, parents, school boards, and other educational professionals. Website: moschoolcounselor.org

#### Show-Me Careers Educator Experience

The objective of Show-Me Careers is to expose students to good career opportunities by bringing influential middle school and high school educators, counselors and administrators into advanced manufacturing, technology, health care and other targeted industries where shortages can be identified. The initiative assists educators in producing lesson plans that can be presented to students following the program during the subsequent school year.

Website: mochamber.com/workforce/show-me-careers

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# Regional

# **Central Region**

Audrain, Boone, Callaway, Camden, Cole, Cooper, Crawford, Dent, Gasconade, Howard, Laclede, Maries, Miller, Morgan, Moniteau, Osage, Phelps, Pulaski, and Washington Counties



# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

#### **Boonslick Technical Education Center**

Our Career Training Programs are designed by a team of professionals from each respective field, who work to provide the student with effective web-based learning experiences.

Website: boonville.k12.mo.us/schools/btec/adulted/Pages/default.aspx

## Career Awareness Related Experience

Job readiness training + Paid real-world hands-on work experience + Mentoring + Soft skill development + Career exploration = Career readiness

Website: como.gov/parksandrec/programs-registration/c-r-e-career-awareness-related-experience/

#### Central College of Cosmetology and Salem College of Hairstyling

Mission: Central College of Cosmetology and Salem College of Hairstyling shall strive to develop professional graduates, in their field of study, who will meet the needs of prospective employers. Graduates shall be technically qualified, skilled in customer service, retailing, communications and business building.

Website: centralandsalemcolleges.com

#### Columbia Area Career Center

Columbia Area Career Center is a part of the Columbia Public School District and serves the community by providing CTE programs and courses to a variety of ages.

Website: career-center.org

#### Davis H. Hart Career Center

The Davis H. Hart Career Center offers a variety of career and technical programs to secondary students from eight area schools. Our programs provide entry level skills and training in technical and service job areas that are in demand in today's economy.

Website: hartcareercenter.org

#### **Eldon Career Center**

Mission: To empower every student with skills & knowledge to lead & succeed.

Website: eldonmustangs.org/eldon-career-center/

### Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce START

Jeff City START is your one stop for interns and internships in JCMO. This is where students connect with

JCMO employers for valuable internship experiences.

Website: jcchamber.org/index.php?

submenu=education&src=gendocs&ref=JeffCitySTART&category=economic

#### Job Point

Job Point is Missouri's premier employment center and community development corporation, fully accredited by the Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission (CARF). We specialize in preparing individuals to enter the workforce, while meeting a critical need of the business community.

Website: jobpointmo.com

#### Lake Career & Technical Center

Mission: Lake Career & Technical Center will provide quality career, technical and academic education

opportunities for all learners to become contributing members of our community.

Website: lctc.camdentonschools.org

## Lebanon College of Cosmetology

Website: <u>lebanoncollege.edu</u>

# Merrell University of Beauty Arts & Science

Mission: Our mission at Merrell University is to provide high standards of education in cosmetology arts and

science, in order that state licensure and gainful employment be achieved.

Website: merrelluniversity.edu

#### MERS Missouri Goodwill Industries

MERS Missouri Goodwill's mission is "Changing lives through the power of work." MERS Missouri Goodwill provides a variety of programs and services to help support this mission. Some of the many programs and services offered are career counseling, skills training, education and literacy programs, employment services, and more.

Website: mersgoodwill.org

#### Missouri Job Centers

We strive to enhance Missouri's economy by helping job seekers find gainful employment with family-sustaining wages and providing businesses with a skilled, trained workforce to successfully compete in the global economy. Located in Columbia, Fort Leonard Wood, Fulton, Lebanon, Potosi, and Rolla.

Website: jobs.mo.gov/career-centers

## Nichols Career Center

Giving every student hope for a better tomorrow.

Website: jcschools.us/nichols

# Paul Mitchell School

At Paul Mitchell Schools, our mission is to provide a quality educational system to prepare students to pass the state board examination and gain employment within their chosen field of study. We promote and recognize the principles of fairness, equity, inclusion, anti-racism, and social justice. Our culture is about embracing diversity, bringing out the best in people and situations, changing lives, making a difference, giving back, healing the planet, and healing ourselves. We also provide a solid educational foundation to empower our team members in the pursuit of excellence. We strongly believe that when people come first, success will follow.

Website: <u>paulmitchell.edu</u>



#### Rolla Technical Institute/Center

Mission: To guide RTI/C in its continuing commitment to meet the needs of our students and community in

keeping abreast of the rapidly growing demands and technological advances of our society.

Website: rtirtc.rolla31.org/home

## Sam Brown's Private Cosmetology & Barber Institute

Website: sambrowninstitute.com

# Waynesville Career Center

Mission: Using technical, academic, and interpersonal experiences, Waynesville Career Center prepares

students for success in a diverse world.

Website: waynesville.k12.mo.us/WaynesvilleCareerCenter

## West Central Missouri Community Action Agency

West Central Missouri Community Action Agency is dedicated to empowering people to make positive change by coordinating and administering resources. West Central Missouri Community Action Agency strives to be the voice in our communities and in our governments for those most in need.

Website: wcmcaa.org

# **Grants, Savings, & Scholarships**

#### Lake of the Ozarks Idiots Club

Mission: The Jesters of Goodwill dedicated to helping youth in-need in the Lake area. The primary goal is to improve the self-esteem of in-need children by providing basic needs and making it possible for them to participate in school or community activities.

Website: lakeoftheozarksidiotsclub.org

## Lebanon Rotary Club

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster: 1) The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service, 2) High ethical standards in business professionals and the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his/her occupation to serve society, 3) The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his/her personal, business and community life, and 4) The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world of fellowship of business and professional men/women united in the ideal of service.

Website: rotarylebanonmo.com

### Minority Men's Network & Educational Foundation

Mission: To utilize the power of committed men to improve the lives of ethnic minorities through leadership

and service.

Website: minoritymensnetwork.org

#### Missouri Ozarks Community Action

We will empower our community, families, and agency, change lives, and inspire hope.

Website: mocaonline.org

# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

# Columbia College TRiO

TRiO Student Support Services (SSS) is a federally funded TRiO program, administered by the Department of Education, designed to encourage eligible students persevere and complete their college degree.

Website: ccis.edu/offices/campuslife/studentsupportservices/aboutsss.aspx

## Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

# The Community Partnership

The mission of The Community Partnership is to support the development of healthy, thriving communities by promoting awareness of needs, creating and implementing services and partnerships to help meet those needs, while encouraging individual responsibility.

Website: thecommunitypartnership.org

## University of Missouri-Columbia TRiO

MU's TRiO Program is part of the federal program called Student Support Services. This program is designed to help promising students from underrepresented groups meet the academic, financial, and social demands of a college education.

Website: trio.missouri.edu

# **Institutions of Higher Education**

# **Central Methodist University**

Mission: Central Methodist University prepares students to make a difference in the world by emphasizing academic and professional excellence, ethical leadership, and social responsibility.

Website: centralmethodist.edu

## Columbia College

Mission: Columbia College improves lives by providing quality education to both traditional and nontraditional students, helping them achieve their true potential.

Website: ccis.edu

## **Lincoln University**

Mission: Lincoln University of Missouri is a historically black, 1890 land-grant, public, comprehensive institution that provides excellent educational opportunities including theoretical and applied learning experiences to a diverse population within a nurturing, student-centered environment.

Website: lincolnu.edu

### Missouri University of Science & Technology

Mission: Missouri S&T integrates education, research, and application to create and convey knowledge that serves our state and helps solve the world's great challenges.

Website: mst.edu

## State Technical College of Missouri

Mission: The State Technical College of Missouri prepares students for profitable employment and a life of

learning.

Website: statetechmo.edu



#### Stephens College

Mission: Founded in 1833, Stephens College is an institution committed to her mission: Learn. Grow. Lead. Stephens is resilient and optimistic, faithful to her traditions, and eager to embrace whatever the future may bring. Focused on the arts, humanities and health sciences, Stephens continues to prepare graduates (whether from our undergraduate residential college, co-educational graduate programs or 90-year-strong Children's School) for the lives that await them — lives of distinction, integrity and service.

Website: stephens.edu

#### University of Missouri-Columbia

Mission: Our distinct mission, as Missouri's only state-supported member of the Association of American Universities, is to provide all Missourians the benefits of a world-class research university. We are stewards and builders of a priceless state resource, a unique physical infrastructure and scholarly environment in which our tightly interlocked missions of teaching, research, service, and economic development work together on behalf of all citizens. Students work side by side with some of the world's best faculty to advance the arts and humanities, the sciences, and the professions. Scholarship and teaching are daily driven by a commitment to public service — the obligation to produce and disseminate knowledge that will improve the quality of life in the state, the nation, and the world.

Website: missouri.edu

# Westminster College

Mission: Educate and inspire all its students through a distinctive liberal arts curriculum and a dynamic developmental experience; to challenge them to be critically aware, life-long learners and leaders of character, committed to the values of integrity, fairness, respect and responsibility; and to prepare them for lives of success, significance and service.

Website: wcmo.edu

## William Woods University

Mission: An independent voice in higher education, William Woods University distinguishes itself as a student -centered and professions-oriented university committed to the values of ethics, self-liberation, and lifelong education of students in the world community.

Website: williamwoods.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

## Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)

Mission: Close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global

society.

Website: avid.org

## **Boys & Girls Clubs of Columbia**

Mission: Inspire and enable youth ages 6 to 18 to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, caring citizens. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Columbia envisions a future in which success is within reach of every child in the Columbia region, empowering themselves and influencing future generations toward making a difference for themselves, their community, and the global community.

Website: bgc-columbia.org

#### **CHOICES**

Mission: Empower teens to make positive educational choices that will increase their career and life

opportunities.

Website: choices.org

#### Communities in Schools in Mid-America

Surrounding students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

Website: cismidamerica.org

#### **CoMo Youth Works**

Mission: Proactively reaching under-served, easily neglected, at-risk, urban youth, engage them in empowering activities and ideas, and provide them with resources for success. CoMo Youth Works specializes in working with Columbia's youth at greatest need, helping them obtain and retain employment, providing support and life skills training, and encouraging them to continue their education.

Website: comoyouthworks.org

#### **Eldon Career Center**

Mission: To empower every student with skills & knowledge to lead & succeed.

Website: eldonmustangs.org/eldon-career-center/

## Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce Partners in Education

The purpose of the Partners in Education program is to support the collaboration between businesses and schools to provide programs that enhance student learning and strengthen our local workforce.

Website: jcchamber.org/index.php?

submenu=PartnersinEducation&src=gendocs&ref=PartnersinEducation&category=education

#### Lebanon Technology and Career Center

Mission: It is the MISSION of Lebanon Technology and Career Center to inspire College & Career Readiness in ALL through positive relationships, personalized experiences, and a focus on the future.

Website: lebanonr3.org/our schools/lebanon technology and career center

#### Lincoln University Cooperate Extension Central Missouri Youth Development

The Lincoln University Cooperative Extension Youth Development office is designed to build programs that further life skill development and academic achievement of at-risk, high risk, underserved and minority youth populations in Jefferson City and surrounding areas in Central Missouri.

Website: lincolnu.edu/web/youth-development-and-4h-programs/central-missouri

#### Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: <a href="mailto:extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps">extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps</a>

#### The Central Missouri Foster Care & Adoption Association

Central Missouri Foster Care and Adoption Association is a not for profit agency that educates, supports, and advocates for foster and adoptive children, youth and families in central Missouri by offering services and partnering with community and governmental agencies to develop healthy and self-sufficient individuals and families.

Website: mofosteradopt.com

# Waynesville Career Center

Mission: Using technical, academic, and interpersonal experiences, Waynesville Career Center prepares stu-

dents for success in a diverse world.

Website: waynesville.k12.mo.us/WaynesvilleCareerCenter



# **Kansas City Region**

Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte, and Ray Counties



# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

#### Aviation Institute of Maintenance

AIM is committed to the education and personal enrichment of each student interested in an aviation maintenance or a trade technician profession.

Website: aviationmaintenance.edu

## Benson & Chloe Academy of Cosmetology

Website: <u>bensonandchloe.com</u>

#### Cass Career Center

Mission: To achieve excellence in education through career and technical training.

Website: harrisonvilleschools.org/ccc

# Concorde Career College

Mission: Concorde Career Colleges prepares committed students for successful employment in a rewarding health care profession through high-caliber training, real world experience and student-centered support.

Website: concorde.edu

# Crider's Institute of Welding Technology

Crider's Institute of Welding Technology offers welding courses, Master Welding Program training, and hobby welding classes in Grain Valley, MO.

Website: cridersinstitute.com

### DeVry University

Mission: Our mission is to foster student learning through high-quality, career-oriented education that

integrates technology, science, business and the arts.

Website: devry.edu

# Donna's Academy of Hair Design

Website: donnashairacademymo.com

## Ea La Mar's Cosmetology & Barber College

Website: ealamarscollege.com

#### **Excelsior Springs Job Corps Center**

We offer the skills you need to succeed in today's workforce, at no cost to you or your family.

Website: excelsiorsprings.jobcorps.gov

## Full Employment Council

The Full Employment Council (FEC) is a business-led private non-profit corporation whose mission is to obtain public and private sector employment for the unemployed and the underemployed residents of the Greater Kansas City area.

Website: feckc.org

#### GradForce KC

GradForce KC focuses on helping two primary populations — first-generation college students and adults who are returning to college. Postsecondary degrees can help these individuals find career pathways and quality jobs, and a more educated workforce helps attract and retain businesses that strengthen our regional economy.

Website: marc.org/Data-Economy/Workforce-Development/GradForce-KC/Overview

## **Guadalupe Centers**

The Guadalupe Centers' mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals in the Latino communities of Greater Kansas City.

Website: guadalupecenters.org

## House of Heavilin Beauty College

Website: kc-hair.com

## Kansas City Job Corps Center

We offer the skills you need to succeed in today's workforce, at no cost to you or your family.

Website: kansascity.jobcorps.gov

#### KC Degrees

To serve adults in the Kansas City region to earn a college degree or high quality certificate.

Website: kcdegrees.org

#### Missouri Job Centers

We strive to enhance Missouri's economy by helping job seekers find gainful employment with family-sustaining wages and providing businesses with a skilled, trained workforce to successfully compete in the global economy. Located in Independence and Kansas City.

Website: jobs.mo.gov/career-centers

#### Northland Career Center

Mission: To prepare students for a continually changing world by providing relevant experiences.

Website: plattecountyschooldistrict.com/northland

#### Pinnacle Career Institute

Mission: The mission of Pinnacle Career Institute is to empower our students to better their lives and to contribute positively to the organizations and communities in which they work and live.

Website: pcitraining.edu

## Summit Salon Academy

Mission: Elevating the industry one artist at a time is our passion and leaving it better than we found it is our

mission.

Website: summitsalonacademykc.com



## Transformed Barber & Cosmetology Academy

Website: transformedbca.com

## WellSpring School of Allied Health

Website: wellspring.edu

## West Central Missouri Community Action Agency

West Central Missouri Community Action Agency is dedicated to empowering people to make positive change by coordinating and administering resources. West Central Missouri Community Action Agency strives to be the voice in our communities and in our governments for those most in need.

Website: wcmcaa.org

# Z Hair Academy

Website: zhairacademy.com

# **Grants, Savings, & Scholarships**

# **Greater Kansas City Community Foundation**

The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation's mission is to improve the quality of life in Greater Kansas City by increasing charitable giving, educating and connecting donors to community needs they care about, and leading on critical community issues.

Website: growyourgiving.org

## **Guadalupe Centers**

The Guadalupe Centers' mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals in the Latino communities of Greater Kansas City.

Website: guadalupecenters.org

#### KC Scholars

The mission of KC Scholars is to increase postsecondary education attainment in the greater Kansas City area. KC Scholars provides the means—through scholarships, financial incentives to promote college savings, and support services—for low- and modest-income students and adults needing access to pursue and complete a postsecondary credit-bearing credential or degree.

Website: kcscholars.org

## Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce

The Lee's Summit Chamber serves its members by creating a dynamic business environment founded on leadership, advocacy, collaboration and success in the Lee's Summit community.

Website: Ischamber.com

## Mosaic Life Care Foundation

Mission: Champion education and empower people.

Website: mlcfoundation.com

# **Truman Heartland Community Foundation**

The mission of the Truman Heartland Community Foundation is to improve area communities by promoting and serving private giving for public good.

Website: thcf.org

# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

# Avila University TRiO Program

The mission of TRIO programs at Avila University is to empower students to advance their achievement in higher education. TRIO strives to increase academic success, college access and graduation rates by using research-driven strategies to assist individuals in overcoming financial, academic, social and cultural barriers to higher education.

Website: avila.edu/student-services/student-support-services-trio/student-support-services

## Black & College Bound

Black & College Bound strives to improve college access and opportunities for students of color. We provide the coaching and support that empowers them to successfully map their future, recognize the power of their "brand", network to create opportunities, navigate the collegiate process & secure diversity scholarships.

Website: blackandcollegebound.wixsite.com/blackandcollegebound

## Greater Kansas City Hispanic Collaborative

The Greater Kansas City Hispanic Collaborative (GKCHC) provides comprehensive assistance to the growth, evolution and professional advancement of Hispanics and other minorities in the Greater Kansas City metropolitan area by collaborating with mutual assistance associations/organizations. The organization focuses on educational and charitable endeavors.

Website: <a href="mailto:gkchc.com">gkchc.com</a>

## **KC** Degrees

To serve adults in the Kansas City region to earn a college degree or high quality certificate.

Website: kcdegrees.org

#### KC Scholars

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Website: kcscholars.org

### Local Investment Commission (LINC)

The Local Investment Commission (LINC) is a citizen-driven collaborative that localizes state of Missouri resources and programs to improve the lives of children and families in the Kansas City region.

Website: kclinc.org

### Metropolitan Community College TRiO

Project Success-TRIO Student Support Services, provides a nurturing learning environment while assisting students in overcoming barriers through academic and personal support and resources, to help transition students seeking bachelor's degrees to self-sufficiency using holistic approaches.

Website: mcckc.edu/project-success/

### Metropolitan Community College TRiO Education Opportunity Center

The Kansas City Educational Opportunity Center is one of only three EOCs in Missouri and has been serving area residents since 1979. The program operates on a grant funded by the U.S. Department of Education administered by Metropolitan Community College. Currently, the program is funded to assist nearly 2,500 individuals annually, two-thirds of whom are low-income, first generation college students. The primary purpose of EOC is to increase the number of adults enrolling in postsecondary education programs.

Website: mcckc.edu/community-resources/eoc/

## Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

## Mother's Refuge

Our mission is to shelter and educate homeless, pregnant and parenting young women by providing comprehensive services that empower them to make successful life decisions for themselves and their babies.

Website: mothersrefuge.org

# **Institutions of Higher Education**

# **Avila University**

Mission: Avila University, a Catholic University founded and inspired by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, provides undergraduate and graduate education in the liberal arts and professional studies, preparing lifelong learners who make meaningful contributions to the global community.

Website: avila.edu

## Calvary University

Mission: Calvary University is an independent, nondenominational institution, providing undergraduate, graduate and post graduate education which prepares Christians to live and serve in the church and the world according to the biblical worldview. This is accomplished by providing appropriate educational curricula and a climate that fosters the development or intellectual and spiritual maturity, leadership potential, servanthood, and a sense of mission. The purpose of every program at Calvary is to teach students Bible and theology, and to prepare them for Christian ministry. Calvary's educational programs emphasize biblical studies, complemented by general and professional education as well as practical field experience.

Website: calvary.edu

### Kansas City Art Institute

Mission: The mission of the Kansas City Art Institute is to prepare gifted students to transform the world creatively through art and design.

Website: kcai.edu

#### Kansas City University of Medicine & Biosciences

Mission: Kansas City University is a community of professionals committed to excellence in education, research, patient care and community service while improving the well-being of the communities we serve.

Website: kcumb.edu

# Metropolitan Community College

Metropolitan Community College is dedicated to serving the educational needs of the community. The college's programs are intended to help students understand themselves, the society of which they are a part and the universe in which they live. Mission: Preparing students, serving communities, creating opportunities.

Website: mcckc.edu

### Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary & Spurgeon College serves the church by biblically educating Godcalled men and women to be and make disciples of Jesus Christ. From start to finish, Midwestern seeks to dramatically transform students by renewing their minds with biblical truth, impacting their hearts with ministry passion, and enriching their souls with deepened Christ-likeness.

Website: mbts.edu

## Nazarene Theological Seminary

Mission: The Mission of Nazarene Theological Seminary, a graduate school of theology in the Wesleyan-Holiness tradition, is to prepare women and men to be faithful and effective ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to offer itself as a theological resource in service to the Church of the Nazarene, its sponsoring denomination, and the wider Christian Church. NTS is a missional seminary serving a missional church.

Website: nts.edu

# Park University

Mission: Park University transforms lives through accessible, student-centered, quality higher education.

Website: park.edu

# Rockhurst University

Mission: As a learner-centered, service and community-minded College, we develop reflective leaders in

health and human services who are ethical, inclusive, and compassionate professionals.

Website: rockhurst.edu

# Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences

Saint Luke's College of Health Sciences in an educational leader serving exceptional students pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees in nursing and in additional health professions.

Website: saintlukescollege.edu

## University of Missouri-Kansas City

Mission: As an urban research university, our mission at the University of Missouri-Kansas City is to promote learning through the discovery, preservation and dissemination of knowledge of public value across a broad spectrum of disciplines and fields of study. UMKC celebrates the individual and embodies diversity and inclusion by intertwining these goals with innovation to enable transformational impact aimed at bringing cultural, social, health and economic prosperity to the metropolitan, regional and global communities we serve.

Website: umkc.edu

### William Jewell College

Mission: We educate our community to ask reflective questions, apply critical thought and act with purpose.

Website: jewell.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

## 20/20 Leadership

The mission of 20/20 Leadership is to provide high school students unique experiential learning opportunities to expand their education beyond the classroom, develop resilient leaders, and build stronger communities.

Website: 2020leadership.org

#### Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)

Mission: Close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global

society.

Website: avid.org

### Avila University TRiO Upward Bound

Upward Bound programs supplement the student's high school experience with academic enrichment services, career exploration, self-development opportunities, cultural exposure opportunities and assistance with college admissions and financial aid searches.

Website: avila.edu/student-services/student-support-services-trio/upward-bound

#### Black & College Bound

Black & College Bound strives to improve college access and opportunities for students of color. We provide the coaching and support that empowers them to successfully map their future, recognize the power of their "brand", network to create opportunities, navigate the collegiate process & secure diversity scholarships.

Website: blackandcollegebound.wixsite.com/blackandcollegebound

## **Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City**

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City promotes the development of self-esteem, values, and skills for boys and girls, ages 5-18, with special emphasis on youth from disadvantaged circumstances.

Website: <u>bgc-gkc.org</u>

# City Year

At City Year, we believe that all students can succeed and that developing the skills and mindsets of children and young adults contributes to strong, vibrant communities—outcomes that benefit all of us.

Website: cityyear.org/kansas-city

# Clay County African American Legacy, Inc.

The Clay County African American Legacy Inc. was founded in 2000 during the Kansas City 150th annual "Celebration of the Heart." The primary focus of the organization is improving the quality of life for its citizens by educating adults, and especially youth, of the cultural diversity that exists in the Northland.

Website: ccaal-garrisonschool.org

### Communities in Schools in Mid-America

Our mission is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

Website: cismidamerica.org

## Greater Kansas City Hispanic Collaborative

The Greater Kansas City Hispanic Collaborative (GKCHC) provides comprehensive assistance to the growth, evolution and professional advancement of Hispanics and other minorities in the Greater Kansas City metropolitan area by collaborating with mutual assistance associations/organizations. The organization focuses on educational and charitable endeavors.

Website: gkchc.com

#### Herndon Career Center

Our mission at Herndon Career Center will provide students & customers high-quality, in-demand workforce training, college preparation and entrepreneurial programs in a fiscally responsible manner.

Website: <u>raytownschools.org/herndon</u>

#### **High Aspirations**

High Aspirations will raise African American males' aspirations by initiating innovative ways to improve their lives socially, emotionally, academically and spiritually.

Website: highaspirationskc.org

#### KC STEM Alliance

The KC STEM Alliance is a collaborative network of educators, business partners and affiliates that inspires interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math careers to generate a robust force of related professionals for our community.

Website: kcstem.org

# Lincoln University Cooperate Extension KC Urban Impact Center

The objectives of these programs are to provide educational assistance, diversity awareness, positive self-image, social skills and developmental leadership skills.

Website: lincolnu.edu/web/youth-development-and-4h-programs/youth-development-kc-urban-impact-center

## LULAC National Educational Service Centers TRiO Upward Bound

LNESC's Upward Bound program specifically provides opportunities for participants to succeed in their pre-college performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits. Upward Bound serves high school students from low-income families as well as high school students from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor's degree. The goal is to increase the rate at which participants complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of post-secondary education.

Website: Inesc.org/upward-bound

# Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

#### Northland Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS)

Northland Center for Advanced Professional Studies (Northland CAPS) is the premier provider of professional, innovative educational experiences for students in the Northland region of Kansas City. With classes housed in several business locations throughout Clay and Platte counties, high school juniors and seniors from participating districts are provided a fully immersive educational experience in high-demand, high-skill careers that will rapidly accelerate students down their chosen career path.

Website: northlandcaps.org/s/1625/bp19/home

## **Urban League of Greater Kansas City**

The Urban League of Greater Kansas City's mission is to enable African Americans and other disadvantaged persons to secure economic self-reliance, parity, power and civil rights.

Website: ulkc.org

### Whatsoever Community Center

Whatsoever Community Center supports the growth and development of families, by providing a variety of programs for children, youth, and adults to build a solid foundation for life.

Website: whatsoevercenter.org

# YMCA of Greater Kansas City

With a focus on youth development, healthy living and social responsibility, the YMCA of Greater Kansas City is a charitable organization committed to strengthening communities. The Y engages men, women and children—regardless of age, income or background—to nurture the potential of children and teens, improve the nation's health and well-being, and provide opportunities to give back and support neighbors.

Website: kansascityymca.org



# Northeast Region

Adair, Clark, Knox, Lewis, Lincoln, Macon, Marion, Monroe, Montgomery, Pike, Ralls, Randolph, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby, and Warren Counties



# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

#### Job Point

Job Point is Missouri's premier employment center and community development corporation, fully accredited by the Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission (CARF). We specialize in preparing individuals to enter the workforce, while meeting a critical need of the business community.

Website: jobpointmo.com

### Kirksville Area Technical Center

Kirksville Area Technical Center serves high school and adult students throughout Northeast Missouri. If you are an adult in need of career preparation, please consider KATC!

Website: kirksviller3.wixsite.com/katc

## MERS Missouri Goodwill Industries

MERS Missouri Goodwill's mission is "Changing lives through the power of work." MERS Missouri Goodwill provides a variety of programs and services to help support this mission. Some of the many programs and services offered are career counseling, skills training, education and literacy programs, employment services, and more.

Website: mersgoodwill.org

#### Missouri Job Centers

We strive to enhance Missouri's economy by helping job seekers find gainful employment with familysustaining wages and providing businesses with a skilled, trained workforce to successfully compete in the global economy. Located in Hannibal, Kirksville, and Warrenton.

Website: jobs.mo.gov/career-centers

#### Pike-Lincoln Technical Center

Pike-Lincoln Technical Center has been educating students since 1973. Our goal is to provide students in surrounding area with quality education that prepares them for work, additional education or the military.

Website: pltc.edu

### Randolph County Caring Community

We engage the community in action towards enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

Website: randolphcaringcommunity.org

# **Grants, Savings, & Scholarships**

## Missouri Botanical Garden Youth Fellowship

The Missouri Botanical Garden Youth Fellowship Program recognizes the top high school seniors in the St. Louis region for their work as environmental stewards. Recipients will participate in a competitive fellowship program with like-minded peers and receive a \$500 scholarship for higher education.

Website: missouribotanicalgarden.org/learn-discover/students-teachers/teen-programs/missouri-botanicalgarden-youth-fellowship-program

# **United Way of Randolph County**

United Way of Randolph County is the leading nonprofit in the county. UWRC is committed to providing options for philanthropy at all levels that support causes that are important to our community. Everyone should have opportunities to have a good life, a quality education that leads to a stable job, enough income to support a family through retirement, and good health.

Website: unitedwayrandolphcounty.org

# Institutions of Higher Education

## A.T. Still University

Mission: A.T. Still University of Health Sciences serves as a learning-centered university dedicated to preparing highly competent professionals through innovative academic programs with a commitment to continue its osteopathic heritage and focus on whole person healthcare, scholarship, community health, interprofessional education, diversity, and underserved populations.

Website: atsu.edu/kirksville-college-of-osteopathic-medicine

# Central Christian College of the Bible

Mission: Central Christian College of the Bible exists to develop servant-leaders for the church.

Website: cccb.edu

### **Culver-Stockton College**

The mission of Culver-Stockton College is to prepare students of promise for a dynamic world through our distinctive experiential curriculum within a supportive learning community founded upon the best values of faith and the human spirit.

Website: culver.edu

# Hannibal-LaGrange University

The mission of Hannibal-LaGrange University is to provide an excellent education in both liberal arts and professional disciplines in a distinctively Christian environment that integrates Christian faith and learning in preparing graduates for both personal and career effectiveness.

Website: hlg.edu

## Moberly Area Community College

Mission: MACC provides dynamic and accessible educational opportunities that empower our students and enrich our communities.

Website: macc.edu

### **Truman State University**

The mission of Truman State University is to offer an exemplary undergraduate education to well-prepared students, grounded in the liberal arts and sciences, in the context of a public institution of higher education. To that end, the University offers affordable undergraduate studies in the traditional arts and sciences as well



as selected pre-professional, professional, and master's level programs that grow naturally out of the philosophy, values, content, and desired outcomes of a liberal arts education.

Website: truman.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

#### Kirksville Area Technical Center

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Website: kirksviller3.wixsite.com/katc

### Macon Area Career and Technical Education Center

Our mission is to provide individuals with a comprehensive education including applied science, applied academics, problem solving and employability skills in a chosen occupational area.

Website: macon.k12.mo.us/schools/career\_center

## Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

# Northeast Missouri Caring Communities, Inc.

Northeast Missouri Caring Communities, Inc. (NEMOCC) is proud to serve as the State of Missouri's official Community Partnership for the northeast Missouri region. Established in 1989 we offer a variety of free services.

Website: nemocc.org

#### Pike-Lincoln Technical Center

Pike-Lincoln Technical Center has been educating students since 1973. Our goal is to provide students in surrounding area with quality education that prepares them for work, additional education or the military.

Website: pltc.edu

## Truman State University TRiO Upward Bound

Upward Bound is a federally-funded TRIO program that assists qualifying high school students in building the skills and motivation necessary for college success. Upward Bound does this by providing students with academic skill development, tutoring, college/career assistance and social/cultural exposure through a year-round support program for senior high school students. Truman State University offers a traditional Upward Bound program to selected northeast Missouri area high school students on its beautiful campus in Kirksville, Missouri.

Website: ub.truman.edu

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# **Northwest Region**

Atchison, Andrew, Buchanan, Caldwell, Clinton, Daviess, DeKalb, Gentry, Grundy, Harrison, Holt, Linn, Livingston, Mercer, Nodaway, Putnam, Sullivan, and Worth Counties



# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

## Chillicothe Beauty Academy & Tech LLC

Mission: To provide a quality education in the Cosmetology field so the graduating students will be prepared to take the state licensure examination and become successfully employed in the cosmetology industry.

Website: chillicothebeautyacademy.com

### **Grand River Technical School**

Our mission is to ensure that students develop into lifelong, self-directed learners who can achieve career success in a technologically-advanced global society.

Website: grandrivertech.org

# **Grand River Welding Institute**

Mission: GRWI is an innovative learning center for any career minded welding specialist. It is a facility where educated, field experienced instructors pass down knowledge to determined individuals for safer, skill induced trade in the worlds industries by utilizing the much needed skills today.

Website: grandriverweldinginstitute.com

### Hillyard Technical Center

Mission: To prepare Hillyard Technical Center students for workforce success and continuous learning.

Website: hillyardtech.sjsd.k12.mo.us

# Linn County Area Career and Technical Center

Website: lcactc.brookfield.k12.mo.us

# Missouri Job Centers

We strive to enhance Missouri's economy by helping job seekers find gainful employment with family-sustaining wages and providing businesses with a skilled, trained workforce to successfully compete in the global economy. Located in Chillicothe, Maryville, St. Joseph, and Trenton.

Website: jobs.mo.gov/career-centers

#### North Central Missouri College Adult Education Services

Trenton Adult Education helps open the door to great new opportunities such as new jobs, attending college/technical school, improving college performance, or improving on-the-job performance.

Website: ncmissouri.edu/adult-education-services/



#### Northwest Technical School

Northwest Technical School recognizes that rapid changes in technology demand new kinds of technicians in the work force. Career and Technical Education promotes the skills that Northwest Missouri needs. Potential employees learn communication, problem-solving and teamwork skills as part of their education at Northwest Technical School.

Website: <a href="mailto:nts.maryville.k12.mo.us">nts.maryville.k12.mo.us</a>

# St. Joseph Beauty University of Hair & Nail Design

Mission: To provide quality education and instruction by highly qualified and trained instructors in the fields of Cosmetology, Manicuring, and Esthetics and to promote strong work ethics and instill professionalism in each

student.

Website: stjoebeautyu.com

# St. Joseph Youth Alliance

Mission: Engaging community partners to improve the lives of children and families.

Website: youth-alliance.org

# **Grants, Savings, & Scholarships**

# Community Foundation of Northwest Missouri

Mission: Through regional collaboration increase the power of charitable giving and philanthropy to transform our region into an economically vibrant area.

Website: cfnwmo.org

#### Mosaic Life Care Foundation

Mission: Champion education and empower people.

Website: mlcfoundation.com

# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

### Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

### North Central Missouri College TRiO

Website: ncmissouri.edu/sss/

#### Northwest Missouri State University TRiO

We are proud of our programs, the success of our students, and the support and encouragement we receive from our Bearcat family. Since 1986, Northwest TRIO Programs has had the opportunity to promote educational opportunities while assisting students in their personal journey of earning a higher education degree. The partnerships TRIO has within the Northwest campus community assist in addressing the unique needs of academically capable individuals who are first-generation students and come from families with limited income.

Website: <u>nwmissouri.edu/trio/</u>

# **Institutions of Higher Education**

## **Conception Seminary College**

Mission: The Mission of Conception Seminary College is the preparation of candidates for the ordained

ministry in the Roman Catholic Church, through spiritual, intellectual, pastoral, and human formation in the Benedictine tradition.

Website: conception.edu

## Missouri Western State University

Mission: Missouri Western State University is a student-centered learning community preparing individuals for

lives of excellence through applied learning.

Website: missouriwestern.edu

## North Central Missouri College

Mission: The mission of North Central Missouri College is to assist individuals in our educational/business community to attain their goals through open admission, reasonable costs, progressive curriculum and services—delivered by a caring, competent staff in a safe, technology-rich learning environment.

Website: ncmissouri.edu

## Northwest Missouri State University

Mission: Northwest Missouri State University focuses on student success - every student, every day.

Website: nwmissouri.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

## Big Brothers Big Sisters of Nodaway County

Our mission is to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported, one-to-one relationships that change their lives for the better, forever.

Website: bbbsnodaway.org

## Hillyard Technical Center

Mission: To prepare Hillyard Technical Center students for workforce success and continuous learning.

Website: hillyardtech.sjsd.k12.mo.us

# Linn County Area Career and Technical Center

Website: lcactc.brookfield.k12.mo.us

### Mosaic Life Care Foundation

Mission: Champion education and empower people.

Website: mlcfoundation.com

## North Missouri Center for Youth & Families

NMCYF exists to serve and strengthen the families of North Missouri by empowering youth to reach their full potential.

Website: nmcyf.org

## Northwest Missouri State University TRiO Upward Bound

Upward Bound provides high school students with the skills needed to succeed. Through academic tutoring, the Upward Bound program assists participants with high school study and encourages them to pursue a college education. During study sessions, tutors help students with basic skills and current courses. On selected Saturdays, students, tutors, and counselors meet for half-day workshops in career planning, college prep and study skills.

Website: nwmissouri.edu/trio/upwardbound/



### Northwest Technical School

Northwest Technical School recognizes that rapid changes in technology demand new kinds of technicians in the work force. Career and Technical Education promotes the skills that Northwest Missouri needs. Potential employees learn communication, problem-solving and teamwork skills as part of their education at Northwest Technical School.

Website: <a href="mailto:nts.maryville.k12.mo.us">nts.maryville.k12.mo.us</a>

# St. Joseph Youth Alliance

Mission: Engaging community partners to improve the lives of children and families.

Website: youth-alliance.org

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# **Ozark Region**

Christian, Dallas, Greene, Polk, Stone, Taney, and Webster Counties



# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

# Academy of Hair Design

Mission: Academy of Hair Design exists to create transformation in people through education, leadership, and

service to change the world. Website: <a href="mailto:aohd.com/springfield/">aohd.com/springfield/</a>

# **Greene County Internship Opportunities**

If you are seeking an excellent learning experience in human services related fields, Greene County Juvenile Division may have an opportunity for you.

Website: greenecountymo.gov/juvenile/sub224/index.php

# LA Luna Hair Academy

Mission: LA Luna Hair Academy is creating a fresh new approach to cosmetology school by bringing celebrity stylist instructors, a hands on learning experience and a creative learning approach to the Springfield,

Missouri area.

Website: lalunahairacademy.com

### **MERS Missouri Goodwill Industries**

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Website: mersgoodwill.org

#### Midwest Technical Institute

Mission: Our mission is to offer workforce training that will provide graduates with the skills necessary to gain entry-level employment in their chosen field.

Website: midwesttech.edu

### Missouri College of Cosmetology

The Missouri College of Cosmetology is dedicated to providing the highest quality of education in all areas of the beauty and esthetics industry.

Website: missouricosmo.com

#### Paul Mitchell School

At Paul Mitchell Schools, our mission is to provide a quality educational system to prepare students to pass



the state board examination and gain employment within their chosen field of study. We promote and recognize the principles of fairness, equity, inclusion, anti-racism, and social justice. Our culture is about embracing diversity, bringing out the best in people and situations, changing lives, making a difference, giving back, healing the planet, and healing ourselves. We also provide a solid educational foundation to empower our team members in the pursuit of excellence. We strongly believe that when people come first, success will follow.

Website: paulmitchell.edu

## **Prosper Springfield**

Prosper Springfield builds relationships and aligns community resources to create pathways that help move people to prosperity.

Website: prosperspringfield.org

## WellSpring School of Allied Health

Website: wellspring.edu

## Workforce Development Board Ozark Region

The Board strives to identify workforce, education, and training needs in the Ozark Region.

Website: <a href="mailto:springfieldmo.gov/1007/Workforce-Development">springfieldmo.gov/1007/Workforce-Development</a>

# **Grants, Savings, & Scholarships**

### Community Foundation of the Ozarks

The mission of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks is to enhance the quality of life in our region through resource development, community grantmaking, collaboration, and public leadership.

Website: cfozarks.org

# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

### Bridge Springfield: Brother to Brother Program

The Brother 2 Brother program is the local citywide chapter of the Student African American Brotherhood that assists participants to excel academically, socially, culturally, professionally, and in the community. B2B is primarily comprised of male students who strive for academic excellence and make a commitment to plan and implement programs that benefit their community at large. Participants are high school, career and college focused.

For more information contact: 417-888-2020

### Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

## Missouri State University TRiO

We know that many students have significant barriers to overcome in order to complete their education. Our goal is to empower students to take control of their education and help them succeed in college.

Website: trio.missouristate.edu/SupportServices/

### Ozarks Technical Community College TRiO Veterans Upward Bound

The Veterans Upward Bound (VUB) program is designed to assist veterans in all aspects of the college admissions process and their academic success. All services provided by VUB are free for participants.

Website: students.otc.edu/veterans-upward-bound/

## Student African American Brotherhood (SAAB) National Headquarters

Student African American Brotherhood (SAAB) is a dynamic organization established specifically to assist our participants to excel academically, socially, culturally, professionally, and in the community. SAAB is primarily comprised of male students who strive for academic excellence and make a commitment to plan and implement programs that benefit their community at large. We encourage our participants to embrace leadership by being positive examples for each other through a strong commitment to academic achievement, brotherhood, and community service. The national headquarter offices are located on the campus of Missouri State University.

Website: saabnational.org

# **Institutions of Higher Education**

# Assemblies of God Theological Seminary

Located in Springfield, Missouri, AGTS is the national seminary of the Assemblies of God and one of the world's leading Pentecostal seminaries.

Website: agts.edu

## **Baptist Bible College**

Mission: Baptist Bible College is an institution of biblical higher education that exists to provide a Christ-centered curriculum that fosters a biblical worldview, empowering students to engage and impact their global society.

Website: gobbc.edu

# **Bolivar Technical College**

Website: bolivarcollege.edu

# College of the Ozarks

The mission of College of the Ozarks is to provide the advantages of Christian education for youth of both sexes, especially those found worthy, but who are without sufficient means to procure such training.

Website: cofo.edu

#### Cox College

Mission: Cox College is committed to excellence by meeting the educational needs of students and the health

care community.

Website: coxcollege.edu

## **Drury University**

Mission: Drury is an independent university, church-related, grounded in the liberal arts tradition, and committed to personalized education in a community of scholars who value the arts of teaching and learning.

Website: drury.edu

#### **Evangel University**

Evangel is an accredited, liberal arts university with more than 70 academic programs on the cutting edge of today's professional fields. Our commitment to the integration of faith, learning and life attracts students from a wide variety of Christian denominational backgrounds who have a strong commitment to academics with a desire to combine their Christina faith with every aspect of their lives.

Website: evangel.edu

#### Missouri State University

Mission: Missouri State University is a comprehensive institution offering undergraduate and graduate



programs, including the professional doctorate. The university educates students to be global citizen scholars committed to public affairs.

Website: missouristate.edu

# **Ozarks Technical Community College**

Mission: The college mission is to provide accessible, high quality and affordable learning opportunities that transform lives and strengthen the communities we serve.

Website: otc.edu

## Southwest Baptist University

Mission: Southwest Baptist University is a Christ-centered, caring academic community preparing students to

be servant leaders in a global society.

Website: sbuniv.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

## Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)

Mission: Close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global

society.

Website: avid.org

## **Boys & Girls Clubs of Springfield**

Mission: To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as

productive, caring, responsible citizens.

Website: <u>bgclubspringfield.org</u>

## Bridge Springfield: Brother to Brother Program

The Brother 2 Brother program is the local citywide chapter of the Student African American Brotherhood that assists participants to excel academically, socially, culturally, professionally, and in the community. B2B is primarily comprised of male students who strive for academic excellence and make a commitment to plan and implement programs that benefit their community at large. Participants are middle school and high school focused.

For more information contact: 417-888-2020

# Dallas County Technical Center

Website: bisonpride.org/DCTC

## Gibson Technical Center

Mission: Preparing Today's Students for Tomorrow Through Quality Career and Technical Education.

Website: gt.rs-wolves.com

#### Greater Ozarks Centers for Advanced Professional Studies (GO CAPS)

Mission: GO CAPS will partner with businesses in the Greater Ozarks to provide high school students with an

educational opportunity that is driven by real-world, career-oriented experiences.

Website: gocaps.yourcapsnetwork.org

## Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

# Missouri State University TRiO Upward Bound

The purpose of Missouri State University's TRiO Upward Bound program is to help students with the skills and motivation needed to finish high school, and to attend and finish a four-year college program.

Website: trio.missouristate.edu/upwardbound/

# **Ozarks Area Community Action Corporation**

OACAC envisions a better qualify of life for all Southwest Missouri residents. We offer a number of initiatives to alleviate the impact of poverty on people and communities.

Website: oac.ac

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# St. Louis Region

Franklin, Jefferson, St. Charles, St. Louis Counties and St. Louis City



# **Advocacy**

# Active Advocacy Coalition

Students are the experts. Students know best how higher education policies affect them. Therefore, they should be involved in all levels of decision-making. The Active Advocacy Coalition is working to ensure that students are not only involved in the process, but that the processes and systems work best for students.

Website: activeadvocacy.stlouisgraduates.org

# Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis

The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis, a nonprofit organization founded in 1920, is based upon the conviction that an educated society is essential to a healthy democracy. The Scholarship Foundation provides access to postsecondary education to members of our community who otherwise would not have the financial means to fulfill their educational goals.

Website: sfstl.org

#### St. Louis Graduates

St. Louis Graduates works to make the postsecondary education system more equitable, so all students can benefit from education beyond high school.

Website: stlouisgraduates.org

# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

# American Trade School

The mission of American Trade School is to prepare students with the knowledge and skills required for entry-level employment in their prospective field of training.

Website: americantradeschool.edu

### American Welding Academy

Mission: American Welding Academy provides students with a world-class, unique and rigorous welding training and education program that ensures academic success, develops a diverse skill set, prepares students for the demands of the welding industry and enables students to gain meaningful employment upon graduation.

Website: awaweld.com

# Better Family Life, Inc.

The Better Family Life, Inc. mission is to build strong families and vibrant communities by providing hope, comprehensive services, and meaningful opportunities.

Website: betterfamilylife.org

### **Blueprint 4 Careers**

To foster economic empowerment and strengthen the quality of life through a racial equity lens by increasing youth employability, growing diverse talent pipelines, and impacting systemic change as a synergistic, passion-driven collaborative.

Website: <u>blueprint4.com/careers</u>

#### Covenant House

Covenant House Missouri welcomes youth who are runaway, trafficked, at-risk, or experiencing homelessness with unconditional love, absolute respect and a place to call home. Beyond shelter and basic needs, we deliver transformative solutions to help young people ages 16 to 24 build productive, independent and sustainable lives.

Website: covenanthousemo.org

# Crave Beauty Academy

Website: cravebeautyacademy.com

### **Current Trends Academy of Hair Design**

Website: <u>currenttrendsinc.com</u>

# Diva's Institute of Cosmetology

Our mission at Diva's Institute of Cosmetology Inc. is to afford our students of a quality education in the beauty industry. In this way we will impart our students with the knowledge necessary to pass the Missouri State Board exam Licensure.

Website: instituteofdivas.com

### **Eclips Barber School**

Mission: To inspire individuals to develop their passion for hairstyling and beauty culture into an art that will help them to succeed in their careers as barbers and cosmetologists.

Website: eclips.edu

#### Evolve Beauty Academy

Website: evolvebeautyacademy.edu

# Family & Workforce Center

The mission of Family and Workforce Centers of America is to implement comprehensive programs that will stimulate and set youth and adults on a pathway to family economic success.

Website: fwca-stl.com

#### Fathers & Families Support Center

To foster healthy relationships by strengthening families and communities.

Website: fatherssupportcenter.org

### Grabber School of Hair Design

Mission: Our goal at Grabber School of Hair Design is to prepare graduates for a successful career in the fields of cosmetology, manicuring and esthetics. We also strive to instill in our students a true sense of self-pride, and further pledge that graduates will have a thorough knowledge of the basic skills reflecting yesterday, today, and the future of the beauty industry.

Website: grabberschool.edu



### Jefferson/Franklin County Employment Consortium

Through its local Missouri Job Centers, Jefferson/Franklin Consortium offers employment and career training services for youth, adults and workers dislocated from their employment due to plant closings or workforce reductions.

Website: jeff-frankjobs.com

#### MERS Missouri Goodwill Industries

MERS Missouri Goodwill's mission is "Changing lives through the power of work." MERS Missouri Goodwill provides a variety of programs and services to help support this mission. Some of the many programs and services offered are career counseling, skills training, education and literacy programs, employment services, and more.

Website: mersgoodwill.org

#### Midwest Institute

Midwest Institute is dedicated to providing career training to select women and men for professional service to the community. Our goal is to provide a strong educational program for persons with a secondary education and a sincere interest in achieving their career goals.

Website: midwestinstitute.edu

Mission: St. Louis

Our mission is to empower people to transform their lives, families and neighborhoods.

Website: missionstl.org

#### **NPower**

NPower creates pathways to economic prosperity by launching digital careers for military veterans and young adults from underserved communities.

Website: npower.org

### Paul Mitchell School

At Paul Mitchell Schools, our mission is to provide a quality educational system to prepare students to pass the state board examination and gain employment within their chosen field of study. We promote and recognize the principles of fairness, equity, inclusion, anti-racism, and social justice. Our culture is about embracing diversity, bringing out the best in people and situations, changing lives, making a difference, giving back, healing the planet, and healing ourselves. We also provide a solid educational foundation to empower our team members in the pursuit of excellence. We strongly believe that when people come first, success will follow.

Website: paulmitchell.edu

# Salon Professional Academy of St. Louis

The Salon Professional Academy of St. Louis was founded with the intention of creating the most successful salon and spa professionals in the beauty and body care industry.

Website: tspastlouis.com

### Skin Institute

Website: skininstitute.edu

#### SLATE Missouri Job Center

Connecting job seekers to training programs and employment, helping employers diversity their workforce, and assisting youth with career skills.

Website: stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/slate/index

### St. Louis College of Health Careers

Mission: St. Louis College of Health Careers (SLCHC) is committed to delivering education that provides an understanding of our rapidly evolving healthcare environment. SLCHC develops and refines programs based on current, credible, and evidence-based healthcare trends. Since its founding, the college has embraced those seeking an avenue through which to improve their quality of life and the health of the community they serve.

Website: slchc.edu

# St. Louis Internship Program

Providing a world of hope and opportunity through partnerships with underserved youth and businesses, resulting in stronger communities.

Website: stlouisinternship.org

# St. Louis Job Corps Center

We offer the skills you need to succeed in today's workforce, at no cost to you or your family.

Website: stlouis.jobcorps.gov

### STL Youth Jobs

STL Youth Jobs bridges the divide between our region's youth and the growing skills gap in our workforce.

Website: stlyouthjobs.org

# Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc.

The mission of the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc. is to empower African Americans and others throughout the region in securing economic self-reliance, social equality and civil rights.

Website: <u>ulstl.com</u>

# **Grants, Savings, & Scholarships**

# **Beyond Housing-Viking Advantage**

Beyond Housing helps communities become better places to live. Thriving communities support healthy families and children. They offer a sense of pride and ownership. They see people through a crisis and help them build their dreams into realities.

Website: beyondhousing.org

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Website: sfstl.org

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Website: ulstl.com



# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

### Fathers & Families Support Center

To foster healthy relationships by strengthening families and communities.

Website: fatherssupportcenter.org

### Harris-Stowe State University TRiO

Student Support Services (SSS) at Harris-Stowe State University is a TRIO program dedicated to developing and graduating first generation, low-income and students with disabilities. Our mission is to provide students with academic and support services in a safe environment as they move towards successfully completing a baccalaureate degree.

Website: go.hssu.edu/rsp\_content.cfm?wid=53&pid=1111

### Jefferson College TRiO

Project SUCCESS/Student Support Services is a federally funded TRIO program that provides academic and personal support to eligible students. The purpose of the program is to assist students earning an Associate's degree from Jefferson College who wish to transfer to a four-year institution. Project SUCCESS staff will help students develop excellent academic skills and targeted goals that will provide a foundation for success.

Website: jeffco.edu/projectsuccess

# Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

### **PeerForward**

PeerForward's mission is to unleash the power of positive peer influence to transform the lives of youth living in low-income communities by connecting them to college and careers.

Website: peerforward.org

### Saint Louis University TRiO

TRIO-Student Support Services (SSS) is a grant program funded through the Department of Education. SSS has been part of the Saint Louis University community since 1984, serving students and helping them each to become better men and women for others. SSS works with students throughout their time at SLU, from assisting with their transition to college to planning for what comes after their bachelor's degree is in hand.

Website: slu.edu/pre-college-access-trio/trio-program/student-support-services/index

# Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis

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Website: sfstl.org

### St. Louis Community College TRiO

TRIO is a group of federal programs that help overcome barriers to higher education.

Website: stlcc.edu/student-support/personal-support/trio

### St. Louis Graduates

St. Louis Graduates works to make the postsecondary education system more equitable, so all students can

benefit from education beyond high school.

Website: stlouisgraduates.org

### Washington University College Advising Corps

College Advising Corps works to increase the number of low-income, first-generation college, and underrepresented students applying to, entering, and completing higher education.

Website: collegeadvisingcorps.wustl.edu

### Washington University TRiO

We provide individual support to TRIO Scholars through collaborative approaches to ensure enriching, engaging, full and fulfilling transition, retention, graduation and post-graduation experiences and success.

Website: students.wustl.edu/trio-program/

# Institutions of Higher Education

# Aquinas Institute of Theology

Mission: Impelled by the Catholic faith and the Dominican mission, Aquinas Institute of Theology educates men and women to preach, to teach, to minister, and to lead.

Website: ai.edu

# Concordia Seminary

Mission: Concordia Seminary serves church and world by providing theological education and leadership centered in the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ for the formation of pastors, missionaries, deaconesses, scholars, and leaders in the name of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Website: csl.edu

### **Covenant Theological Seminary**

Website: covenantseminary.edu

### East Central College

Mission: Empowering students and enriching communities through education.

Website: eastcentral.edu

### **Eden Theological Seminary**

Mission: Eden Theological Seminary is called to strengthen the life of the church by educating women and men for ministry, enlivening critical reflection on faith, and supporting bold Christian discipleship.

Website: eden.edu

### Fontbonne University

Mission: Fontbonne University, a Catholic institution sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, is committed to the common good through the daily pursuit of transformative education, inspiring students to become global citizens who think critically, act ethically and serve responsibly.

Website: fontbonne.edu

#### Goldfarb School of Nursing

Mission: We prepare exceptional nurse leaders in an academic learner-centered environment.

Website: barnesjewishcollege.edu

#### Harris-Stowe State University

Mission: Harris-Stowe State University's primary mission, as set forth in Senate Bill 153, is to address the



higher education needs of the metropolitan St. Louis region.

Website: <u>hssu.edu</u>

### Jefferson College

Mission: Jefferson College serves our community by delivering quality learning opportunities that empower

individuals to achieve their goals.

Website: jeffco.edu

# Kenrick-Glennon Seminary

Mission: Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is a proper ecclesial community of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis preparing men for the ministerial priesthood of Jesus Christ in the Catholic Church. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and to the glory of God the Father, we seek each seminarian's configuration to the Heart of Jesus Christ, High Priest and Shepherd, so that he can shepherd whole heartedly with Christ's pastoral charity.

Website: kenrick.edu

# Lindenwood University

Mission: Enhancing lives through quality education and professional preparatory experiences.

Website: <u>lindenwood.edu</u>

### Logan University

Mission: Logan University is a diverse and engaging community committed to excellence in health sciences,

education and service. Website: <u>logan.edu</u>

# Maryville University

Mission: Maryville University is one of the outstanding private universities in the Midwest offering an innovative liberal arts education leading to excellent academic and professional programs in the Arts and Sciences, Health Professions, Education and Business that prepare students for a life of engagement and achievement in multiple fields of endeavor.

Website: maryville.edu

#### Midwest University

Mission: Midwest University exists to provide men and women with a biblically-based higher education designed to prepare them for success in their careers in ministry and secular service by enhancing their spiritual, social, and intellectual gifts and abilities.

Website: midwest.edu/eng

### Missouri Baptist University

Mission: Missouri Baptist University is an evangelical Christian, liberal arts institution and has as its purpose the offering of programs of study leading to professional certificates, undergraduate degrees, and graduate degrees in an environment where academic excellence is emphasized and a Biblically based Christian perspective is maintained. The University is committed to enriching its students' lives spiritually, intellectually, and professionally, and to preparing students to serve in a global and culturally diverse society.

Website: mobap.edu

#### Ranken Technical College

Mission: Ranken Technical College is a private, nonprofit, degree-granting institution of higher learning whose primary mission is to provide the comprehensive education and training necessary to prepare students for employment and advancement in a variety of technical fields.

Website: ranken.edu

### Saint Louis University

Mission: The Mission of Saint Louis University is the pursuit of truth for the greater glory of God and for the

service of humanity. Website: slu.edu

# St. Charles Community College

Mission: SCC serves our community by focusing on academic excellence, student success, workforce advancement, and life-long learning within a global society. We celebrate diversity and we enrich the economic and cultural vitality of the region by providing an accessible, comprehensive, and supportive environment for teaching and learning.

Website: stchas.edu

### St. Louis Christian College

Mission: St. Louis Christian College develops biblical servant leaders for urban, suburban, rural, and global

ministry.

Website: stlchristian.edu

# St. Louis College of Pharmacy

Mission: St. Louis College of Pharmacy provides an inclusive, supportive and enriching environment for growth, learning and leadership to prepare our students, residents, faculty, staff and alumni to positively impact patients and society.

Website: stlcop.edu

### St. Louis Community College

Mission: Empowering students. Expanding minds. Changing lives.

Website: stlcc.edu

# University of Missouri-St. Louis

Mission: As the metropolitan, land-grant, research institution serving the most diverse and economically important region in Missouri, the University of Missouri–St. Louis delivers exceptional educational, research and engagement experiences that inform, prepare, challenge and inspire.

Website: umsl.edu

### Washington University

Mission: Washington University in St. Louis' mission is to discover and disseminate knowledge, and protect the freedom of inquiry through research, teaching and learning.

Website: wustl.edu

# Webster University

Mission: Webster University, a worldwide institution, ensures high quality learning experiences that transform students for global citizenship and individual excellence.

Website: webster.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

### Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)

Mission: Close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global

society.

Website: avid.org



### Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri

To combat these adversities created by economic inequities and systemic racism, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri aims to build a web of developmental relationships between youth and adults at home, in schools, and within communities.

Website: <u>bbbsemo.org</u>

# Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater St. Louis

The mission of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater St. Louis is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens.

Website: <u>bgcstl.org</u>

# Boys Hope Girls Hope of St. Louis

To nurture and guide motivated young people in need to become well-educated, career-ready men and women for others.

Website: boyshopegirlshopestl.org

### Center for Youth on the Rise

Receive free positive youth development training and skills. The Center serves teenagers between 12-19 and onsite services for those ages 17-23.

Website: <a href="stlouisco.com/Health-and-Wellness/Human-Services/County-Youth-Programs/The-Center-For-Youth-on-the-Rise">https://doi.org/10.1001/10.

### College Bound

Through an individualized, holistic, and multi-year commitment, College Bound empowers promising students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds to achieve bachelor's degrees and successful careers.

Website: collegeboundstl.org

# Community Action Agency of St. Louis County, Inc.

We are committed to helping the families and communities of St. Louis County prevent the conditions of poverty for present and future generations.

Website: caastlc.org

### **Covenant House**

Covenant House Missouri welcomes youth who are runaway, trafficked, at-risk, or experiencing homelessness with unconditional love, absolute respect and a place to call home. Beyond shelter and basic needs, we deliver transformative solutions to help young people ages 16 to 24 build productive, independent and sustainable lives.

Website: covenanthousemo.org

### Epworth Children & Family Services

To help children, youth, and families move toward self-sufficiency by focusing on health, housing, education, and employment.

Website: epworth.org

### Family & Workforce Center

The mission of Family and Workforce Centers of America is to implement comprehensive programs that will stimulate and set youth and adults on a pathway to family economic success.

Website: fwca-stl.com

### Fathers & Families Support Center

To foster healthy relationships by strengthening families and communities.

Website: fatherssupportcenter.org

### Ferguson Youth Initiative (FYI)

FYI empowers teens from Ferguson and surrounding communities to become productive, positive, & contributing members of the community.

Website: fyifergyouth.org

### Harris-Stowe State University TRiO Upward Bound

Upward Bound is a federally funded TRIO program that is hosted by Harris-Stowe State University and provides a program of instruction, tutoring, academic and career guidance, counseling, and residential life to 60 high school students recruited in the 9th, 10th and 11th grades, who are potential first-generation, college-bound students and attend McCluer High School.

Website: go.hssu.edu/rsp\_content.cfm?wid=15&pid=172

# Higher Education Consortium of St. Louis TRiO Talent Search

Trio Talent Search is a federally funded program managed by the U.S. Department of Education. Our objective is to encourage and assist middle school and high school students within St. Louis Public Schools who are first generation and/or from low income families pursue a post-secondary education.

Website: hectalentsearch.weebly.com

### Higher Education Consortium of St. Louis TRiO Upward Bound

Upward Bound is a college preparatory academy which provides high school students the opportunity to acquire the academic skills and personal motivation necessary to finish high school, enter and earn a degree from a college or university. The students selected for the Higher Education Consortium (HEC) Upward Bound program must have the desire, determination and commitment to participate in all activities and training.

Website: heccstl.com/upward-bound

#### Lewis & Clark Career Center

Website: /mo01910164.schoolwires.net/lewisandclarkcareercenter

### LifeWise STL

Our mission is to help individuals and families achieve economic well-being by providing high-impact, relationship-based programming and by addressing systemic barriers to their success.

Website: lifewisestl.org

# Lincoln University Cooperative Extension St. Louis Urban Impact Center

St. Louis Urban Impact Center's Mission is to offer research based educational outreach programs to Missouri's hard to reach at-risk population. Our primary focus is to provide avenues of hope through educational empowerment to promote and apply change using social justice in the eastern region of Missouri to enhance the quality of life for its residents through programs that promote self-sufficiency, economic stability and community development.

Website: <u>bluetigerportal.lincolnu.edu/web/programs-and-projects/st.-louis-urban-impact-center</u>

### Mathews-Dickey Boys' & Girls' Club

Our goal is to foster a sense of competence, a sense of purpose, a sense of sense of power in every young person.

Website: mathews-dickey.com



#### Mission: St. Louis

Our mission is to empower people to transform their lives, families and neighborhoods.

Website: missionstl.org

# Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

### **PeerForward**

PeerForward's mission is to unleash the power of positive peer influence to transform the lives of youth living in low-income communities by connecting them to college and careers.

Website: peerforward.org

# Saint Louis University TRiO Talent Search

Educational Talent Search identifies and assists students from disadvantaged backgrounds who have the potential to succeed in higher education. Our goal is to increase the number of these students who complete high school as well as enroll in and complete postsecondary educational credentials.

Website: slu.edu/pre-college-access-trio/trio-program/talent-search.php

#### STL Youth Jobs

STL Youth Jobs bridges the divide between our region's youth and the growing skills gap in our workforce.

Website: stlyouthjobs.org

# Unleashing Potential (UP)

The mission of Unleashing Potential is to close the opportunity gap for children and youth by building on their strengths. We create education and empowering experiences through early childhood education, after school programs, youth development and enrichment camps.

Website: upstl.org

#### Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc.

The mission of the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc. is to empower African Americans and others throughout the region in securing economic self-reliance, social equality and civil rights.

Website: ulstl.com

### Washington University College Advising Corps

College Advising Corps works to increase the number of low-income, first-generation college, and underrepresented students applying to, entering, and completing higher education.

Website: collegeadvisingcorps.wustl.edu

### Wyman's Teen Leadership Program

Wyman's St. Louis-based Teen Leadership Program (TLP) provides immersive summer experiences and school-year support to help more than 80 teens each year become successful college-bound students and citizens of the world.

Website: wymancenter.org/tlp

# Youth Exploring Science (YES) Program

The YES Program was founded to encourage and help teens recognize their potential in STEAM fields. YES prepares high school students in the St. Louis area for careers in STEAM fields by nourishing their desire to ask questions and helping them learn how to seek answers through science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics.

Website: <a href="mailto:slsc.org/connections/community-science/youth-exploring-science-yes-program/">science-yes-program/</a>

### Youth In Need

Youth In Need is a nonprofit child and family services agency that is dedicated to building positive futures for the community's most vulnerable children, teens and families.

Website: youthinneed.org

# **Professional Development**

# EnTeam

EnTeam is an educational organization that offers a toolbox of collaborative learning strategies that help people win together.

Website: enteam.org

### St. Louis Graduates

St. Louis Graduates works to make the postsecondary education system more equitable, so all students can benefit from education beyond high school.

Website: stlouisgraduates.org

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# **South Central Region**

Butler, Carter, Douglas, Howell, Oregon, Ozark, Reynolds, Ripley, Shannon, Texas, Wayne, and Wright Counties



# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

# **Black River Beauty Academy**

Mission: It is the mission of the Black River Beauty Academy to provide post-secondary students with a positive learning environment and a pathway to career success.

Website: blackriverbeautyacademy.com

#### **MERS Missouri Goodwill Industries**

MERS Missouri Goodwill's mission is "Changing lives through the power of work." MERS Missouri Goodwill provides a variety of programs and services to help support this mission. Some of the many programs and services offered are career counseling, skills training, education and literacy programs, employment services, and more.

Website: mersgoodwill.org

### Missouri Job Centers

We strive to enhance Missouri's economy by helping job seekers find gainful employment with familysustaining wages and providing businesses with a skilled, trained workforce to successfully compete in the global economy. Located in Poplar Bluff.

Website: jobs.mo.gov/career-centers

### Ozark Action, Inc.

Our mission is to coordinate and provide services for people with needs so that they can improve their qualify of life.

Website: oaiwp.org

# Poplar Bluff Technical Career Center

Mission: The Poplar Bluff Technical Career Center will provide career and technical education for professional success within a curriculum framework that reflects the relevancy of our times, industry and needs of our community.

Website: tcc.poplarbluffschools.net

#### Ripley County Caring Community Partnership

Our goal is to have strong families: parents working; children are succeeding in school; and be healthy, safe, and prepared for a productive adulthood.

Website: ripleycountypartnership.com

#### South Central Career Center

The mission for South Central Career Center is to develop a high-quality workforce.

Website: <u>zizzers.org/sccc</u>

#### South Central Workforce Investment Board

Mission: To support a system that will provide employers with a skilled workforce and will provide job seekers with access to jobs with increased earnings potential.

Website: scwib.org

# Southeast Health College of Nursing & Health Sciences

Mission: To respond to the healthcare educational needs of the region by preparing qualified healthcare

professionals.

Website: sehcollege.edu

# Southern Ozarks Alliance for Rural Development (SOAR)

The Southern Ozarks Alliance for Rural Development (SOAR) raises awareness and funds to increase opportunities for citizens in the southern Ozarks region of Missouri.

Website: soardevelopment.net

# Texas County Technical College

We're a small school with small class sizes, close to home, where everyone really does know your name.

Website: texascountytech.edu

# **Grants, Savings, & Scholarships**

# Community Foundation of the Ozarks

The mission of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks is to enhance the quality of life in our region through resource development, community grantmaking, collaboration, and public leadership.

Website: cfozarks.org

# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

# Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

### Three Rivers College TRiO

ACHIEVE is a federally funded TRiO Student Support Services Program that serves first-generation and low-income students and students with disabilities. Our program is designed to help students navigate college life, be better college students, and achieve their graduation goals.

Website: trcc.edu/studentservices/achieve

# Institutions of Higher Education

### Missouri State University-West Plains

Mission: Missouri State University-West Plains is a teaching and learning institution providing quality postsecondary educational opportunities to the communities we serve.

Website: wp.missouristate.edu

#### Three Rivers College

Mission: Three Rivers College inspires, prepares, and empowers students to succeed through open access to high-quality learning opportunities that meet the needs of the communities we serve.

Website: trcc.edu



# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

### Boys & Girls Clubs of the Greater West Plains Area

The Boys & Girls Club of the Greater West Plains Area is the region's leading youth development organization. BGCWP was founded in 2013 to put success within reach for our Club members and keep them on track to graduate from high school.

Website: bgcwp.com

### **Boys & Girls Club of Poplar Bluff**

Our mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens.

Website: bgcpb.org

# **Butler County Community Resource Council**

The CRC exists to promote coordination and cooperation between social services providers, churches, the business community and the educational system, in order to empower families and individuals to become more self-reliant, responsible and resourceful.

Website: thecrc.org

# Greater Ozarks Centers for Advanced Professional Studies (GO CAPS)

Mission: GO CAPS will partner with businesses in the Greater Ozarks to provide high school students with an educational opportunity that is driven by real-world, career-oriented experiences.

Website: gocaps.yourcapsnetwork.org

# Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

### South Central Career Center

The mission for South Central Career Center is to develop a high-quality workforce.

Website: zizzers.org/sccc

### South Central Workforce Investment Board

Mission: To support a system that will provide employers with a skilled workforce and will provide job seekers with access to jobs with increased earnings potential.

Website: scwib.org

# Three Rivers College TRiO Talent Search

Three Rivers College's Educational Talent Search (ETS) is a TRiO program that provides education outreach and is funded through the U.S. Department of Education. Educational Talent Search is designed to motivate and support students in grades 6-12 who have the potential to succeed in college.

Website: trcc.edu/talentsearch/

# **Southeast Region**

Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, Dunklin, Iron, Madison, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Perry, Sainte Genevieve, Scott, St. Francois, and Stoddard Counties



# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

# Cape Girardeau Career & Technology Center

Mission: The Cape Girardeau Career & Technology Center will provide high quality educational programs, resources, and practical experiences to meet the evolving needs of secondary students, post-secondary students, and area industry. Our Center will be a vital contributor to the continued economic development of the region.

Website: ctc.capetigers.com

### **Caring Communities**

To promote awareness of community issues, facilitate system reform, and work with citizens and organizations to enhance or develop community resources achieving healthy more productive children, families and communities.

Website: mccaring.org

# Delta Area Economic Opportunity Corporation

DAEOC is a private not-for-profit Community Action Agency serving Dunklin, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Scott and Stoddard Counties in Southeast Missouri. DAEOC administers programs designed to combat poverty and provide economic opportunities in the Bootheel.

Website: daeoc.com

# **Dunklin/Stoddard Caring Council**

The mission of the Dunklin/Stoddard Caring Council is to link services and resources to empower children and families to achieve their highest potential. We envision a community of strong families where individuals may become self-reliant, responsible, and resourceful citizens.

Website: caringcouncil.org

# J. LaRae Academy of Beauty Art

Website: http://www.jlbeautyacademy.com

### Kennett Career & Technology Center

Website: kennett.k12.mo.us/schools/kennett-career-and-technology-center

### MERS Missouri Goodwill Industries

MERS Missouri Goodwill's mission is "Changing lives through the power of work." MERS Missouri Goodwill provides a variety of programs and services to help support this mission. Some of the many programs and services offered are career counseling, skills training, education and literacy programs, employment services, and more.

Website: mersgoodwill.org



### Mingo Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center

We offer the skills you need to succeed in today's workforce, at no cost to you or your family.

Website: mingo.jobcorps.gov

# New Madrid County Family Resource Center

The New Madrid County Family Resource Center offers opportunities that benefit children, families and communities.

Website: nmcfamilyresourcecenter.com

# Pemiscot County Career & Technology Center

The Pemiscot County Career & Technology Center will prepare the student for an entry level position in a technical career.

Website: pcssd.k12.mo.us/Web%20Pages/Tech%20Center%20Main/Career%20and%20Tech.html

# Renaissance Beauty Academy

Mission: As Cape Girardeau's premier beauty school, Renaissance Beauty Academy's goal is to help inspire and educate tomorrow's best cosmetologists. Once our students complete their course at Renaissance, they'll be poised to obtain a cosmetology license from the Missouri State Board of Cosmetology, an entry-level position in the beauty industry, with a positive and driven attitude. Renaissance Beauty Academy will go above and beyond to deliver salon-relevant training promoting mindful life skills on what it takes to be profitable and successful in the beauty industry. It is our mission to give our students a true salon experience.

Website: renaissancebeautyacademy.com

# Sikeston Career & Technology Center

The philosophy of the Sikeston Career and Technology Center is governed by a respect for the worth and dignity of every human being. The basic purpose of Career and Technology Education is to assure the maximum intellectual, occupational skill, and total development of youth consistent with their individual capacities.

Website: ct.sikestonr6.org

# Southeast Health College of Nursing & Health Sciences

Mission: To respond to the healthcare educational needs of the region by preparing qualified healthcare

professionals.

Website: sehcollege.edu

### **Trend Setters School**

Mission: The objective of Trend Setters School is to produce highly trained and well educated graduates to successfully pass licensure examinations and find gainful employment in salons, spas, and barber shops. We are committed to excellence in barbering and cosmetology arts and sciences education. Educational systems and programs are updated constantly to keep the student's interests first, and our educational quality high.

Website: trendsettersschool.com

### **UniTech Career Center**

Mission: The UniTec Career and Technology Center will provide high quality educational programs, resources, and practical experiences to meet the evolving needs of secondary students, post-secondary students, and area industry. Our Center will be a vital contributor to the continued economic development of the region.

Website: uniteccareercenter.wixsite.com/unitec-career-center

### Workforce Development Board of Southeast Missouri

Our passion is helping put you on the pathway to a more successful and enjoyable life.

Website: job4you.org

# **Grants, Savings, & Scholarships**

# Community Foundation of the Ozarks

The mission of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks is to enhance the quality of life in our region through resource development, community grantmaking, collaboration, and public leadership.

Website: cfozarks.org

#### Malden Chamber of Commerce

Founded in 1891, the Malden Chamber of Commerce is the largest organization dedicated to commerce in the City of Malden. With over 300 members the Chamber represents a wide range of businesses and organizations and is focused on developing the commercial and civic interests of the City of Malden and beyond.

Website: maldenchamber.org/site/

### Missouri Botanical Garden Youth Fellowship

The Missouri Botanical Garden Youth Fellowship Program recognizes the top high school seniors in the St. Louis region for their work as environmental stewards. Recipients will participate in a competitive fellowship program with like-minded peers and receive a \$500 scholarship for higher education.

Website: missouribotanicalgarden.org/learn-discover/students-teachers/teen-programs/missouri-botanicalgarden-youth-fellowship-program.aspx

# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

# Mineral Area College TRiO

EXCEL/Student Support Services (SSS) is a federally-funded TRIO program designed to help students overcome academic, social, cultural, and other barriers to their success in college.

Website: mineralarea.edu/trio-programs/trio-student-support-services/

# Missouri College Advising Corps

Mission: Empower Missouri students to go to college and succeed.

Website: extension2.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-college-advising-corps

### Southeast Missouri State University TRiO

Mission: To encourage and assist 200 students, traditionally under-represented because of income; family educational background; disability; or other relevant federal, state, provincial, or institutional criteria, in completing a post-secondary education.

Website: <a href="mailto:semo.edu/academic-support-centers/sss/">semo.edu/academic-support-centers/sss/</a>

# Institutions of Higher Education

### Mineral Area College

Mission: Mineral Area College serves the community by providing students a quality, affordable education and offers opportunities for personal growth and career development in a safe, professional environment.

Website: mineralarea.edu



### Southeast Missouri State University

Mission: Southeast Missouri State University provides student-centered education and experiential learning with a foundation of liberal arts and sciences, embracing a tradition of access, exceptional teaching, and commitment to student success that significantly contributes to the development of the region and beyond.

Website: semo.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

### Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri

To combat these adversities created by economic inequities and systemic racism, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri aims to build a web of developmental relationships between youth and adults at home, in schools, and within communities.

Website: bbbsemo.org

# Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeast Missouri

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeast Missouri is an afterschool program for youths that helps to enable them to reach their full potential through a variety of methods.

Website: bgcsemo.org

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Website: ctc.capetigers.com

# Lincoln University Cooperative Extension Youth Development

The Youth Development program provides experiential education to underserved youth throughout the state. Programs include leadership development, obesity prevention, academic enrichment, entrepreneurship and hands-on science, technology, engineering, agriculture and mathematics (STEAM) education programs.

Website: lincolnu.edu/web/youth-development-and-4h-programs/youth-development-and-4h-programs

### Mineral Area College TRiO Talent Search

The objective of the program is to help low-income and potential first-generation college students prepare for and succeed in an education program after high school (university, community college, technical or vocational school.) TS not only provides encouragement and support, but educational guidance in areas such as study skills, career exploration, financial aid resources, college orientation, and admission process.

Website: mineralarea.edu/trio-programs/trio-talent-search/

### Mineral Area College TRiO Upward Bound

Website: mineralarea.edu/community/upward-bound/

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Website: ct.sikestonr6.org

# Susanna Wesley Family Learning Center

The mission of the Susanna Wesley Family Learning Center, a Mississippi County grassroots organization located in East Prairie, Missouri, is to build healthy families.

Website: swflc.com

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# **Southwest Region**

Barry, Barton, Dade, Jasper, Lawrence, McDonald, and Newton Counties



# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

### Carthage Technical Center

The mission of the Carthage Technical Center is based upon the belief that all people should have the opportunity to prepare themselves for gainful employment and thereby live democratic, useful, and satisfactory lives.

Website: ctc.carthagetigers.org

# City Pointe Beauty Academy Website: citypointebeauty.com

### Inspire College of Cosmetology

Website: inspirecoc.com

# Neosho Beauty College

Mission: The college is committed to a conscientious education program, based on proven instruction techniques and sound business practices. Our curriculum provides a good sound foundation, plus the expertise of highly qualified and motivated instructors to challenge our students to reach their highest abilities. Our goal is to prepare our students to reach their goals in the many facets of the profession, and to help them to become leaders and a credit to the Cosmetology profession.

Website: neoshobeautycollege.com

#### New Dimensions School of Hair Design

Website: newdimensionsschoolofhairdesign.com

# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

### Crowder College TRiO

TRIO programs are federally-funded programs designed to provide educational access and assistance to income-eligible, first-generation, and/or students with a disability.

Website: crowder.edu/services/trio/

### Crowder College TRiO Educational Opportunity Center

The Educational Opportunity Center (EOC), hosted by Crowder College, provides free post-secondary educational assistance to adult residents of Barry, Jasper, Lawrence, McDonald, and Newton counties in southwest Missouri.

Website: <a href="mailto:crowder.edu/services/trio/eoc/">crowder.edu/services/trio/eoc/</a>

### Missouri Southern State University TRiO

Project Stay is a federally-funded TRIO program and our mission is to provide comprehensive resources for students as they complete their bachelor's degrees and transition to graduate school and professional life.

Website: mssu.edu/student-affairs/trio/project-stay/index

# Institutions of Higher Education

### Crowder College

Mission: Building a civil, serving, literate, learning community of responsible citizens.

Website: crowder.edu

### Missouri Southern State University

Mission: Missouri Southern State University will educate and graduate knowledgeable, responsible,

successful global citizens.

Website: mssu.edu

# **Ozarks Area Community Action Corporation**

OACAC envisions a better qualify of life for all Southwest Missouri residents. We offer a number of initiatives to alleviate the impact of poverty on people and communities.

Website: oac.ac

### Scott Regional Technology Center

Scott Regional Technology Center aspires to empower and to transform the lives of students by providing high quality, assessable, and cost-effective learning experiences that meet their education needs.

Website: monettschools.org/o/srtc

#### **Ozark Christian College**

The mission of Ozark Christian College is to train men and women for Christian service as a degree-granting institution of biblical higher education.

Website: occ.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

### **CHOICES**

Mission: Empower teens to make positive educational choices that will increase their career and life

opportunities.

Website: choices.org

### Crowder College TRiO Talent Search

Crowder College Talent Search is a federally funded TRIO program designed to assist middle and high school students with the necessary understanding, skills, and desire to complete high school and then continue their education.

Website: crowder.edu/services/trio/talent-search/

#### Crowder College TRiO Upward Bound

The Crowder College Upward Bound Programs provide 300 high school participants in 10 counties in southwest Missouri with an opportunity to complete a course of college preparatory study, which equips them for success in post-secondary education.

Website: crowder.edu/services/trio/upward-bound/



### Franklin Technology Center

The mission of Franklin Technology Center is empowering all learners by engaging in college and career readiness through rigorous and relevant opportunities that foster a passion for learning and a strong work ethic in responsible and innovative citizens.

Website: ftc.joplinschools.org

# Missouri Southern State University TRiO Talent Search

Educational Talent Search identifies qualified students with potential for success at the postsecondary level and encourages them to complete secondary school and enroll in a program of study after high school. Talent Search serves students who are in grades 6 through 12.

Website: mssu.edu/student-affairs/trio/talent-search

# Missouri Southern State University TRiO Upward Bound

Upward Bound is a program funded through the US Department of Education that works with high school students to help prepare them for post-secondary education. The Upward Bound program at MSSU serves 60 students from six area school districts: Carl Junction, Carthage, East Newton, Joplin or Webb City high school.

Website: mssu.edu/student-affairs/trio/upward-bound

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Website: oac.ac

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# **West Central Region**

Bates, Benton, Carroll, Cedar, Chariton, Henry, Hickory, Johnson, Lafayette, Pettis, Saline, St. Clair, and Vernon Counties



# Careers, Jobs, & Internships

# Academy of Salon Professionals

Website: academyofsalonprofessionals.com

### American College of Hair Design

Mission: American College of Hair Design is dedicated to educating quality students with the fundamental knowledge to meet the challenges of a career in Cosmetology, Esthetics, Barbering, and Instructor Training, both today and in the future.

Website: americancollegeofhairdesign.com

### Lex La-Ray Technical Center

At Lex La-Ray, we help students build job skills by offering a balanced program of classroom instruction and hands-on training.

Website: lexlaray.com

### Missouri Welding Institute

A premier trade school designed to train students to become superior welding craftsman and fulfill their dreams.

Website: missouriweldinginstitute.com

### Warrensburg Area Career Center

Our mission is to develop distinguished graduates by providing relevant career and technical education leading to gainful employment or continued education.

Website: wacc.warrensburgr6.org

# West Central Missouri Community Action Agency

West Central Missouri Community Action Agency is dedicated to empowering people to make positive change by coordinating and administering resources. West Central Missouri Community Action Agency strives to be the voice in our communities and in our governments for those most in need.

Website: wcmcaa.org

# **Grants, Savings, & Scholarships**

# Mosaic Life Care Foundation

Mission: Champion education and empower people.

Website: mlcfoundation.com



# Higher Education (Assistance with access, retention, and/or persistence)

### State Fair Community College TRiO

SFCC's program is called STEPS, or Students in TRiO for Educational Preparation and Success. It serves 160 students each year, and its goal is to help each student to successfully transfer to a four-year institution and earn a baccalaureate degree.

Website: sfccmo.edu/offices-services/trio-steps/

# University of Central Missouri TRiO

Through TRIO you'll receive tuition-free courses and be able to register early for classes. You'll benefit from on-demand advising and academic tutoring, coaching and mentoring. You'll have access to an exclusive computer lab and free printing.

Website: <u>ucmo.edu/offices/trio-student-support-services/</u>

### University of Central Missouri TRiO Veterans Upward Bound

The mission of Veterans Upward Bound (VUB) is to provide supportive services to military veterans, guard members, and reservists which will enable them to enter or re-enter post-secondary education.

Website: <u>ucmo.edu/offices/veterans-upward-bound/</u>

# **Institutions of Higher Education**

# **Cottey College**

From their website: Cottey College is an independent, liberal arts and sciences women's college in Nevada, Missouri. Since 1884, the college has offered young women the opportunity to learn and grow into leaders, role models, and confident individuals.

Website: cottey.edu

# Missouri Valley College

Missouri Valley College is a private, four-year liberal arts college located in Marshall, Missouri.

Website: moval.edu

### State Fair Community College

Mission: State Fair Community College provides relevant and responsive learning experiences that empower our students and communities to prosper.

Website: sfccmo.edu

#### University of Central Missouri

Mission: The University of Central Missouri (UCM) disseminates knowledge that transforms students into leaders who possess the aptitudes, skills and confidence to succeed.

Website: ucmo.edu

# K-12 (Assistance with college and career awareness and/or preparation)

# **Boys & Girls Clubs of West Central Missouri**

Our mission is to inspire and enable all young people to realize their full potential as caring and productive citizens.

Website: bgckids.com

#### **CHOICES**

Mission: Empower teens to make positive educational choices that will increase their career and life

opportunities.

Website: choices.org

# Saline County Career Center

Training students to pursue excellence in scholastics, work, and life.

Website: marshallschools.com/o/career-center

# Warrensburg Area Career Center

Our mission is to develop distinguished graduates by providing relevant career and technical education leading to gainful employment or continued education.

Website: wacc.warrensburgr6.org

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