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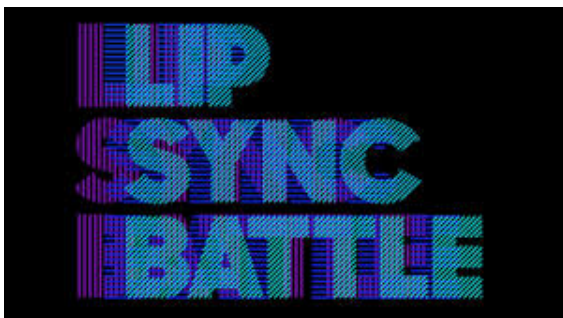
A Midwest Association of TRIO and College Access  
and Success Professionals (EOA)

*(Formerly known as the Mid-America Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel)*

### I Can't Wait to See You!

In a matter of weeks the EOA membership will descend on the city of Grand Rapids for professional development, networking and sharpening of our collective saws! I am excited to re-connect with good friends, learn some new things and find some inspiration to get through my APR. If you haven't registered for the upcoming 41st Annual Professional Conference, you are going to miss out. Read on to learn more about what you can expect this year.

**Perhaps you have heard about the upcoming fundraising activity at the EOA Professional Conference. The event will take place Monday November 16th from 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm.**



80's Heavy Metal, Rock ballads, R&B or Hip Hop. Perhaps she's a little bit Country and you are more Rock and Roll. Come an see your EOA leaders show off their skills, or



Dr. Steve Perry will kick off the 41st Annual Professional Conference with an charge for all educators. This National TRIO Achiever will share his thoughts on the current

lack there of, in an effort to raise funds for scholarships. This friendly, but serious competition will pit "faux singer" against "faux singer." Attendees may even get a shot at stage time. [Don't miss this opportunity to laugh!](#)

state of education in the United States and provide strategies for making a difference. Tickets for this event can be purchased separately at [www.eoa.org](http://www.eoa.org). For more information about Dr. Perry [click here](#).



A limited number of rooms are still available in the hotel room block. Call today for reservations!



Council for Opportunity in Education President and CEO, Maureen Hoyler and Board Chair Trent Ball will address the membership on Wednesday morning.



Interested in learning more about your role as an advocate for educational opportunity? Want to now more about how to speak to your local, state or national legislator? Former State Senator Tony Sertich will share his thoughts on how to improve our individual and collective efforts to tell the #TRIO story and get the results we want and our participants need. Tony served in the Minnesota House of Representatives from 2001 to 2011, representing District 5B, which includes portions of the Iron Range in St. Louis County, which is in the northeastern part of the state. He also served as House Majority Leader from 2007 to 2011.



**Dr. James T. Minor** is the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Higher Education Programs in the Office of Postsecondary Education. Dr. Minor most recently served as a Senior Program Officer and Director of Higher Education Programs for the Southern Education Foundation in Atlanta, Georgia. He has held other significant positions which include a tenured associate professor of higher education policy at Michigan State University, a fellow at the University of Georgia's Institute for Higher Education, and Research Associate at the Pullias Center for Higher Education at the University of Southern California. Dr. Minor addresses the membership on Monday Afternoon.

**Congratulations to Dr. Carmen Aguilar and her committee for hosting an impactful 24th National McNair Conference and Graduate fair. Thanks to the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee for their assistance with this partnership program.** Nearly 400 scholars and staff were present for the activities held at the Lake Lawn Resort in Delevan, WI last week.



*Pictured to the right: EOA President Elect Roxanne Gregg, Past President of EOA and founder of the National McNair Conference, Dr. Micheal Jefferies, Mr. Carl McNair, brother of famed astronaut, Dr. Ronald McNair and EOA President, V. Kaye Monk-Morgan.*

Save the Date: 2016 Keith Sherin Global Leaders Program in Salamanca, Spain—  
sponsored by COE and Travel & Education  
May 28-June 30, 2016  
Cost: \$2,300

Application deadline: early January 2016  
Applicants must be enrolled at institutions that are members of COE.  
Questions? Contact: Holly Hexter, COE, [holly.hexter@coenet.us](mailto:holly.hexter@coenet.us)

### TRIO Program APRs

ED Stated the APR schedule (barring any setbacks) is as follows:

EOC: open on 11/2; due 12/4. Information can be found at  
<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/trioeoc/report.html>

SSS: open on 11/2; due 12/4. Information can be found at  
<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/triostudsupp/report.html>.

UB/UBMS: open on 11/2; due 12/4. Information can be found at  
<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/trioupbound/report.html>

TS: open on 11/2; due 12/4. Information can be found at  
<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/triotalent/report.html>

McNair: open on 12/1; due 12/31

VUB: open on 12/15; due 1/22

The draft **EOC** RFP came out on October 22. Materials can be found on COE's website at [EOC RFP MATERIALS](#). Comments are due November 23. Please review and make comments. COE will send out their comments to the community in the middle of November.

### **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION [Docket No.: ED-2015-ICCD-0118]**

#### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Application for Grants Under the Talent Search Program**

#### *Correction*

In notice document 2015-25354, appearing on pages 60358-60369 in the Issue of Tuesday, October 6, 2015, make the following correction:

On page 60368, in the third column, under the heading **DATES**: the entry "December 7,

2015" is corrected to read "November 5, 2015".

## WOO HOO's from around the Region!

1. Earlier this month, for the second year in a row, EOA members involved in Chicago area TRIO programs and the Council for Opportunity in Education (COE) held two exciting events to celebrate 50 years of success in creating paths to upward mobility for low-income, first-generation students and their families. The first, an alumni reception hosted by Northeastern Illinois University's Center for College Access and Success, drew over 100 TRIO alums. The reception paid tribute to legendary TRIO director, Silas Purnell of Ada S. McKinley Community Services, who placed tens of thousands of low-income, minority students in college. A STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Celebration was also hosted by Northeastern at its main campus. It engaged over 400 Chicago public and charter secondary students in hands-on activities. COE and Chicago TRIO directors are committed to making sure that both celebrations take place annually. Please see below to get an idea of TRIO's reach in the Chicago area and to view other highlights of the events visit: <http://bit.ly/1MWYXGj>.

1. Iowa Congressman David Young is inviting high school students from throughout the 16 counties of Iowa's 3rd Congressional District to attend the annual Youth Leadership Summit on November 9th at the State Capitol Building in Des Moines.

**Dr. Micky Johnson**, the Director of the University of Northern Iowa's Classic Upward Bound Program and Chair of EOA's Association Planning and Development Committee, and Iowa TRIO President, **Ellie Burns**, will work directly with each participant to develop their leadership skill set – that assist students as they determine, develop and achieve their personal goals in high school and beyond. Johnson is highly regarded around Iowa and the nation for his work with countless students enriching their growth in high school as they prepare for the academic and personal rigors of college.

The one-day summit filled with networking and leadership training events is nonpartisan, free and open to all high school aged students who live in Iowa's 3rd Congressional District, **but preregistration is required.**



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