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FROM THE COORDINATOR



Welcome back everyone!

I am so glad that you are a part of our program and I hope that you take full advantage of what Talent Search has to offer this year. Remember that you are not alone on your educational journey and that we are here to help you along the way.

In this issue of our newsletter, we have pictures from this past summer when we took a group of students on a 3-day trip to tour college campuses in southern Utah. We started out at UVU and UVU's Aviation Program before heading south to tour the campuses of Utah Tech University, Southern Utah University, and Snow College. We also had a bit of fun and stopped by The Creamery in Beaver, saw Mary Poppins fly at Tuacahn Amphitheatre, and enjoyed checking out the sites at Zion National Park.

Also in this issue, check out the articles from our advisors, 3 of which are new this year. Remember that if you need any extra help with a class, questions on what classes to take, or need academic or personal counseling advice, please go to your ETS advisor. Kaitlyn, Lesa, Shaylee, and Whitney are eager to help you.

Seniors, now is the time to begin applying to colleges and to begin completing the FASFA. You don't want to miss out on any free money paying for college so the sooner that you apply the better the chance of receiving financial assistance. See your advisor to learn when your high school will be hosting a FASFA night.

Juniors, remember that we offer ACT waivers that allow you to take the ACT and have access to ACT test taking material free of charge. You can find the ACT test dates on our website. You can obtain a ACT waiver from your advisor.

I hope you enjoy this issue and I ask if you know of anyone who you think would benefit from our program, please have them contact me or one of our advisors.

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We are actively recruiting students at all of our locations!! If

you know of a 7th-12th grade student who needs help navigating their path forward, contact the advisor at your school.

You can find more information and apply online by scanning this QR code or going to <https://uvu.edu/trio/ets/>



We have a Blog! You can find news and updates about our program at: <https://uvu.edu/trio/ets/blog/index.html>

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MEET THE ADVISORS



Hello students and parents!

I am Shaylee Scott and I am excited to be the Talent Search Advisor at Provo High School and Dixon Middle School.



I have always loved education and my goal is to help as many students as possible to achieve their academic goals and enjoy their time in school. I want students to start the year off right by coming and meeting with me to ensure they are on track for the year.

Our group meetings are starting soon so be sure to check your emails to know when they are happening! Please never hesitate to visit me at the school, email, or text me with anything you need!

Thank you so much for being a part of this program. We have a great year ahead of us!



Welcome students!

My name is Whitney Parry, and I am the new Centennial Middle School and Timpview High School ETS Advisor.



I have a BS in Geography from BYU and an MA in US History from American Public University. I enjoy learning and helping others learn. I love to read, run, hike, and spend time with my husband and three daughters. I like watching football and track and field. My current favorite books are Project Hail Mary by Andy Weir and The Cartographers by Peng Shepard.

Our monthly meeting time and locations will be finalized soon. Juniors and Seniors, over the next few weeks watch for emails about FAFSA, scholarships, ACT, and college application information. I look forward to working with you this school year and helping you have success on your journey to college!



Hello ETS students and parents!

My name is Kaitlyn Dyshkant. I was raised in Minnesota and have been living in Utah since 2020. Prior to 2020, I lived in Australia for a year working with teens with disabilities and in Poland for 3 years as a volunteer and later doing work for the international non-profit Ashoka.



While in Poland, I met and married my husband who is from Ukraine. Currently, his entire family is living in my house after fleeing the war in Ukraine as refugees.

This summer, I graduated from BYU with my bachelor's degree in Human Development and am so excited to be working with you as your outreach advisor. Going to college gave me SO many opportunities, allowed me to travel the world, and has completely transformed me as a person for the better. I strongly believe in the power and influence of education and am excited to share that love of learning and growing with you!

I am SO excited to get to know all of you personally and hope that we can build a good relationship.

Whether you are a parent of a child in the Educational Talent Search program or a student, please feel comfortable approaching me with any questions, comments, or concerns regarding higher educational attainment and opportunity.



Upcoming ACT Test Dates

December 10, 2022

February 11, 2023



MEET THE ADVISORS



Hi all. My name is Lesa Dixon and I am the ETS advisor for Uintah River High School, Union High School and Roosevelt Jr. High. I grew up in Roosevelt, moved away when I graduated from Union High School and didn't think I would ever live here again. In 2014 my family was in the process of moving and thanks



to the persuasive powers of my sweet mom, Roosevelt was added to our list of possible destinations. We put the matter to a vote in family council and I lost 3-1, so we moved to Roosevelt.

I am a first-generation college graduate and am so excited to share my enthusiasm for higher education and Educational Talent Search with all the students at URHS, UHS and RJHS.

One of the most common excuses for not joining ETS that I hear from students and families goes like this: "My student is [or I am] only in 7th grade (or insert whatever grade student is currently in), they are [I am] just enjoying where they [I am] are right now. They [I] have plenty of time to think about college later." I can tell you from first hand experience that the time to think about college is now! I just had a daughter graduate from High School (May 2022) and I started saving money each month for her to go to college when she was in 2nd grade and she told me that she wanted to go to be an Architect when she grew up. Let me tell you that what we have been able to save for her isn't even close what college costs! Luckily, she worked hard (and played hard) in High School and she has scholarships to make up the difference.



I look forward to being part of the your journey to college as we explore everything college related, from what you would like to study in college to how you will pay for it.



Students who participated in any extracurricular activity had statistically significantly higher GPAs than those who participated in no extracurricular activities.

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2022 ETS COLLEGE TRIP



UVU Aviation Program @ Provo Airport Campus



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Utah Valley University



The Narrows @ Zion National Park



Southern Utah University



Utah Tech University

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Tuacahn Amphitheatre



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The Creamery in Beaver



Southern Utah University



River Walk Trail at Zion National Park



Snow College



Tuacahn Amphitheatre



Lower Emerald Pool at Zion National