

EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM
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WHO WE ARE: The Educational Talent Search (ETS) Program is funded by the U.S. Department of Education and is one of the federal “TRIO Programs”. There are several ETS locations across the state of Kentucky. The local ETS provides educational guidance services to youth and adults in Estill, Garrard, Jackson, Lee, Lincoln, and northern Madison counties. An ETS representative is available to assist program participants with educational and career decisions. Services are provided at no cost.

WHAT WE DO: Our purpose is to assist participants in grades six through twelve, in the completion of secondary education and the enrollment in a post-secondary educational program. In addition, out-of-school individuals are assisted in obtaining a GED, in entering or re-entering a post-secondary educational program. Our program assists individuals wishing to attend college or vocational/technical training after high school. ETS guides participants through the maze of career choices, entrance testing, applications and financial aid.

WHAT AN ETS SCHOLAR STANDS TO GAIN: ETS Scholars acquire skills that increase their classroom performance and motivate them to excel. ETS Scholars gain a positive attitude toward education which enables them to do positive things in their community.

HOW TO APPLY: The process includes completing an application and submitting required income information to ETS. All submitted information is strictly confidential. Individuals are then selected based on needs.

SERVICES AVAILABLE TO ETS SCHOLARS:

Academic Advising

- ✓ Assistance with selection of high school post-secondary preparation classes
- ✓ Study skills
- ✓ Tutorial references
- ✓ Information on colleges, universities, vocational schools and other post-secondary options
- ✓ School entrance exam information, assistance with selection, application, and enrollment into educational programs after high school
- ✓ Orientation to post-secondary life

Career Counseling

- ✓ Career exploration, choice, and planning
- ✓ Career interest inventories and follow-up
- ✓ Information on specific careers
- ✓ Career/Family Day and career speakers

Financial Aid Information & Assistance

- ✓ Financial literacy workshops
- ✓ Financial aid workshops for parents & students
- ✓ State & Regional Scholarship Opportunity
- ✓ Assistance to participants & parents in preparing applications for grants, scholarships, college work programs, and student loans

Personal Development

- ✓ Decision making skills
- ✓ Goal setting
- ✓ Assertiveness training
- ✓ Inter-personal development skills
- ✓ Cultural diversity understanding & opportunities

Special Needs Assistance

- ✓ Identification of support services for persons with disabilities
- ✓ Identification of support services for students who may need additional help for academic or vocational success
- ✓ Contacts with post-secondary school representatives
- ✓ GED information if applicable

Additional Services

- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ Field trips to post-secondary schools and career sites
- ✓ Follow-up
- ✓ College Prep Academy

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