November 2012 Newsletter

EKU Upward Bound

November Saturday Academy

“How to Write an Essay”

This month, during the Saturday Academy, Sean McClellan from Woodford County High School visited to talk to the students about the importance of their knowing how to write an essay. The purpose of this workshop was to provide students with various skills and techniques to remember when applying for a scholarship or college. Mr. McClellan stressed the importance of “grabbing a reader’s attention” in the first few sentences because “those who are reading your essay often sit and read tons of essays all day; this can get tedious and boring for the reader.” Mr. McClellan said to be original, but to remain honest. He talked about how one’s essay should be interesting and creative. When the reader has finished reading an essay, he should feel like he wants to meet the writer in person. After going over the different skills, Mr. McClellan had all of the students get together with someone else to write an essay that introduced themselves. Upward Bound student, Austin Stewart, stated, “Sean’s essay workshop made a huge impact on the way I begin my essay writings.” He went on to say, “It was a very positive impact, not just on me but especially the new students that (sic) joined. It allowed them to easily make new friends while also allowing them to witness not only the fun side of UB, but also the educational portion.”

College Spotlight

Morehead University (Morehead, KY)
Estimated Cost of Attendance: $18,305
Financial Aid is available
http://www.moreheadstate.edu/
Majors: Adult and Higher Education Specialist, Counseling, Education, Engineering, Nursing, Psychology and much more!
“Andy Warhol Exhibit”

Students were able to attend the recently opened Andy Warhol Exhibit which was held in the Giles Gallery of the Campbell Art Building on Eastern Kentucky University’s campus. The Photography of Andy Warhol: Selections from the Andy Warhol Photographic Legacy Project,” on loan from the University of South Carolina Upstate in Spartanburg, features Polaroid and black-and-white portraits of celebrities and other notables. One of the Upward Bound students, Travis Walker stated, “Andy Warhol chose a very different perspective for his photos, but nonetheless, he still took great pictures.” The students seemed to enjoy the experience.

http://www.eku.edu/news/andy-warhol-exhibit-giles-gallery-nov-1-20

FAFSA!

January is starting to creep up! This means that we are getting really close to FAFSA time. FAFSA is a college student’s best friend. If you can not afford to pay for college out-of-pocket, then FAFSA is going to allow you to do so. Listed below are a few things that you need to know, (and information that you need to have) in order to be prepared to fill out your FAFSA:

- Student demographics -- your name and contact information
- School information -- the Federal School Codes of the schools where you'll be applying for financial aid
- Dependency status -- whether you're applying as independent or dependent of your parents.
- Parental demographics -- parents' names and contact information
- Financial information -- directly from your latest tax returns
- Confirmation -- You're done!

Don’t forget to create a pin for you and your parents. This can be done at FAFSA.ed.gov